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Panhandle Community Services officials announce the agency has received additional funding for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP). This program provides emergency utility assistance for low-income, elderly and disabled/handicapped people. CEAP assistance is not an entitlement program. Assistance will be provided only to those families who have been determined by a priority matrix system as being most in need. To apply, Social Security cards for everyone in the household, proof of income, current electric and gas bill, and a 12-month billing history of electric and gas bills must be furnished. Applicants may call their local Panhandle Community Services office for more information.

DEATHS

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Frankie Ann Studer, 72, Pampa native.

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Latest shooting linked to sniper

FAIRFAX, Va. (AP) — An FBI analyst who studied terror threats is the latest victim of the Washington-area sniper, and investigators said Tuesday they were confident that detailed witness accounts from the scene will lead them to the person who has now killed nine people.

A senior law enforcement source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there were no indications the sniper targeted Linda Franklin because of her job. Sources said she worked for

the FBI's National Infrastructure Protection Center which assesses threats against major structures and cyber networks.

Franklin, 47, of Arlington was shot in the head Monday night as she and her husband loaded packages into their car outside a Home Depot at the Seven Corners Shopping Center.

Fairfax County Police Chief Tom Manger suggested that witnesses gave investigators more details than on any of the other shootings. For the first

time, witnesses were able to give information about license plates on vehicles seen leaving the scene, he said.

"There was some additional information that we were able to get from last night's case, and I am confident that that information is going to lead us to an arrest in the case," Manger said at a morning briefing.

Manger declined to discuss which state the license plates were from or answer questions about whether police had a description of the shooter. He

said only that several people contacted police after the shooting and investigators were still interviewing them.

"We have been receiving quite a bit of information from witnesses," Manger said. "Information is always the key in solving cases like this."

Police closed highways around Falls Church, about 10 miles west of the nation's capital, after the shooting and Manger said police were on the lookout for a light-colored Chevrolet (See SNIPER, Page 3)



(Courtesy photo)

Kristen Odom and Nikki Alvarez try their hand at a good old-fashioned game of marbles during the Gray County Centennial Celebration.

Let the games begin!

Local youth learn pastimes from the past can be fun

By DAVID BOWSER
STAFF WRITER

Joan Gray got out in Methodist Park and played during the Centennial celebration. She found it was a lot of work.

The Gray County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences took a bunch of kids back in time during Gray County's Centennial party, Oct. 5, as she and the county's 4-H clubs hosted the old-fashioned games sector of the celebration.

"We had a number of games that most of our kids traditionally had not ever played," Gray said. "It was a fun learning experience for a lot of the kids."

It was also a learning experience for her 4-H kids.

Gray, a member of the Centennial Committee, said the Gray County 4-H clubs volunteered to provide the games for the celebration.

"We were looking for games that they played around the turn of the century a hundred years ago versus games that they play now," Gray said. "We started asking the more tenured people in our community what games they played when they were children."

Gray and her 4-H crew began gathering games that were popular at the time the county was organized a century ago.

"Last month, we had our 4-H club presidents and club managers met together, and we started putting our game plan together," Gray said. "What we were going to play? Who was going to be in charge of what game? What prizes we would have?"

They ended up with marbles, jacks, sack races, three-legged races, tug-a-war, hop scotch, horse shoe pitching, sidewalk chalk and kite flying among other things.

The responsibilities were divided up

among the county's five 4-H clubs — Prime Time, Pig Power, Super Clover, Lefors 5-H and McLean 4-Clover.

"We had representatives from all five clubs there," Gray said. "We have three clubs here in Pampa and one in Lefors and one in McLean."

Gray said with a grin that one of her adult leaders told her about a couple of kids who thought they were playing marbles, but instead of "shooting" them with their thumbs, they were chunking marbles at the marbles in the chalk circle, using a side arm throwing technique.

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"She got down and showed them how to shoot the marbles," Gray said of the 4-H leader.

Gray loved that story. She learned to play marbles from her mother, Gray said.

"My mom used to be the marble champ," Gray said. "She had a shooter

that would knock them all out. From what I understand, she had the biggest marble collection in the neighborhood."

Gray said she didn't know of any problems with the jacks, but some of today's kids had to be shown how to play hopscotch.

"I was over doing the three-legged races," Gray said, "and that was probably the funniest thing because they didn't understand that you had walk together. They were tripping each other. It was pretty funny."

She said the sack races were also entertaining.

"Those were great to watch," Gray said. "It's a lot different hopping in those sacks. I don't think there was anyone who hopped down and back without falling at least once."

There were times, Gray said, it was difficult to say who was having the most fun, the participants or the spectators, the kids or the adults.

"All the kids had a really good time," Gray said. "We had just a little bit of everything for everybody."

PD chief search narrows to two

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

Pampa will likely have named a new police chief by the end of this week, according to interim City Manager John Hatchel.

Hatchel told *The Pampa News* Monday afternoon that the field of 20 applicants has been narrowed to two candidates.

Remaining on the short list for the top law enforcement position in Pampa are John Webb, a lieutenant with the Borger Police Department, and Trevlyn Pitner, Fritch Police Chief.

"Both candidates for the position are qualified candidates," said Hatchel. He said he will be consulting with the members of the Pampa City Commission before the new chief is named.

Hatchel said he was

pleased with the quality of applicants which responded to the open position. He said he advertised on the Texas Municipal League's site for a new chief as well as sending notices to several area police departments.

The position of chief became vacant several months ago when former Pampa Chief Charlie Morris retired. The second in command at the police department Terry Young also announced his retirement shortly afterwards.

The department has been short-staffed for several months, and the new chief will be charged with bringing the department to full staff, officials say.

Acting in the capacity of interim police chief has been Ken Hall, director of the Emergency Operations Communications within the city.

Local health officials report West Nile death

AMARILLO (AP) — A Randall County resident diagnosed last week with the West Nile virus has become the first person in the Panhandle to die of the mosquito-borne disease, a spokeswoman with the city of Amarillo Department of Public Health said Monday.

Anne Denison told the Amarillo Globe-News for a story in Tuesday's editions that the health department would not release details in order to protect the family's privacy.

Amarillo television station KAMR reported that the man died Sunday night. Health officials say it was the only human case of West Nile in Potter and Randall counties.

Doug McBride, a spokesman at the Texas Department of Health, said he could not confirm the death. He said the official number of deaths from the virus remained at five, including four deaths in Harris County and one in Tarrant County.

Symptoms of West Nile include fever, headache and body aches. More severe cases can result in coma, paralysis or death. The virus, transferred to humans by mosquitoes, can cause encephalitis, a swelling of the brain.

Precautions recommended to avoid contracting the virus include staying indoors near dawn and dusk, wearing long

(See DEATH, Page 3)

Traffic Commission placing signs to slow vehicles down

Slowing down traffic at busy intersections appears to be the aim of the City of Pampa's Traffic Commission.

Doug Locke, chairman, said the commission recently decided to place a temporary yield sign to slow traffic at the busy intersection of Coffee and 21st streets.

Another yield sign will be placed at Tuke and Ballard streets to slow traffic in that area as students are boarding school busses at that location, he said. Also a sign designating traffic to slow down because children are playing will be placed in that area.

Locke said the commission also recommended a stop sign be placed at Finley and/or Locust streets to see if the traffic slows any. He said it will be a temporary measure - 60 to 90 days - to see if it works.

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OBITUARIES

T.A. 'RED' RUSH
1915-2002

T.A. "Red" Rush, 87, of Pampa, died Monday, Oct. 14, 2002. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, at Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Teeter, pastor of St. Paul United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

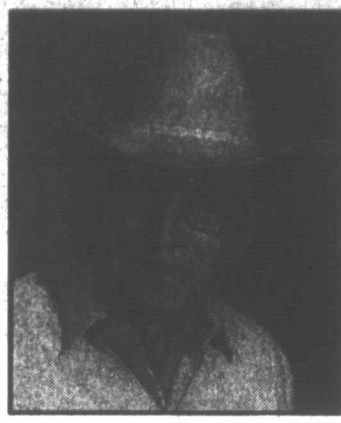
Mr. Rush was born Jan. 29, 1915, in Taylor County, Texas. He had been a Pampa resident since 1938, moving from Vernon, and was a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church.

He worked as a cowboy at the Hooks Ranch, the Turkey Track Ranch, the Osborne Ranch, and the Ingum Ranch, retiring in 1962. He then

worked for Heaton Cattle Company from 1962 until retiring in 1980.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Mildred, in 1972, and his second wife, JoAnn, in 1997.

Survivors include a brother, T.J. Rush of Vernon. www.carmichael-whitley.com



JOHN EDWARD CLARK JR.
1951-2002

WHEELER — John Edward Clark Jr., 51, died Sunday, Oct. 13, 2002, at Wheeler. Services will be at 11 a.m., Wednesday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Ricky Carstensen and the Rev. Rob Lindley of Tulea officiating. Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Clark was born Nov. 13, 1951, to John and Zulfia (Springer) Clark. He married Sibyl Richerson on Aug. 23, 1986, at Mesa, Ariz. The couple moved to Wheeler from Glendale, Ariz., in 1992.

Mr. Clark was a heavy equipment operator and a member of Wheeler First United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Bruce Clark, in 1976.

Survivors include his wife, Sibyl of Wheeler; a daughter, Heather Chisum of Lubbock; two sons, John E. Clark III of Eagan, Minn., and Heath Eliassen of Wheeler; a brother, Mike Bunting of Minnesota; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Olivia's Angels in care of BSA Hospice, Amarillo, Texas.

FRANKIE ANN STUDER
1930-2002

TUSCON, Ariz. — Frankie Ann Studer, 72, died Sunday, Oct. 13, 2002, at Amarillo. Services were to be at 2 p.m., today in Schooler Funeral Home's Brentwood Chapel in Amarillo with Craig Fuller, pastor of New Life Fellowship Church of Dalhart officiating. Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. today in Fairview Cemetery at Pampa. Arrangements are under the direction of Schooler Funeral Home, Inc., of Amarillo.

Mrs. Studer was born in 1930 and grew up in Pampa where her father practiced law for 50

years. For the last 26 years, she was enjoying retirement in Tuscon, Ariz. She was a volunteer for the Alcoholism Counsel in Tuscon, Ariz.

Survivors include two daughters, Cathy Fuller of Amarillo and Carla Fuller of Tuscon, Ariz.; a son, Craig Fuller of Dalhart, Texas; three grandchildren, Army of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Brett and Tate, both of Austin; and a great-grandson, Drew of Colorado Springs, Colo.

The family requests BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176.

SERVICES TOMORROW

CLARK, John Edward Jr. — 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Wheeler.

TAYLOR, Corinne — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for mostly sunny skies, highs in the mid-60s, and east winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight, should be partly cloudy with lows in the lower 40s, and south winds 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday should be partly cloudy. Highs in the mid-60s. Southwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Northeast winds up to 10 mph. Thursday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s. Light winds shifting to the southeast up to 10 mph. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Slight chance of rain showers. Lows around 40.

Chance of rain 20 percent. Friday, cloudy. Chance of rain. Highs in the lower 60s. Chance of rain 30 percent. Friday night, cloudy. Chance of rain. Lows in the upper 40s. Chance of rain 30 percent. Saturday, cloudy. Chance of rain. Highs in the lower 60s. Chance of rain 30 percent. Saturday night, mostly cloudy. Slight chance of rain. Lows in the upper 30s. Chance of rain 20 percent. Sunday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid-60s. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s.

STATEWIDE

Sunny skies were expected across much of Texas on Tuesday with highs in the 60s and 70s in many areas.

In the Dallas area, mostly sunny skies were expected with highs around 70. By nighttime, mostly clear skies were expected with lows in the lower 40s.

In the panhandle, mostly sunny skies were expected with highs from 60 to 68. By nighttime, partly cloudy skies were expected with highs from 60 to 68.

In the Guadalupe Mountains and Big Bend area, partly cloudy skies were expected with highs from the mid-50s in the Guadalupe Mountains to near 80 along the Rio Grande. By nighttime, partly cloudy skies were expected with lows from the lower 30s in the Guadalupe Mountains to the mid-50s along the Rio Grande.

In the Hill Country and south central Texas, skies were expected to become sunny from north to south.

Highs were expected in the lower to mid-70s. By nighttime, clear skies were expected with lows in the upper 40s to lower 50s.

In deep South Texas, mostly cloudy skies were expected to become sunny by midday. Highs were expected from 76 near the coast to 86 in the west.

Mistrial declared in molestation case

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A second trial is set for January for a former liturgist at St. John the Apostle Church in North Richland Hills after a mistrial was declared in his sexual assault and molestation trial.

Judge George Gallagher announced his decision just after noon Monday, when the jury of eight men and four women told the judge they were deadlocked 9-3, with the majority voting guilty.

Joseph Mangone, 45, of Fort Worth, was accused of molesting and raping a 24-year-old Grand Prairie woman almost a decade ago in her parents' Euleth home. Mangone repeatedly denied it last week from the witness stand.

Mangone was being tried on six counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child, sexual assault and indecency with a child.

The judge reached his decision after the jury had deliberated about 13 hours through three days, the Fort Worth Star-

Telegram reported in its Tuesday editions.

The victim told jurors that Mangone had molested her several times when she was 13 and 14 years old after he befriended her and her parents.

The woman testified that she did not immediately report the sexual assaults because she was scared and because of Mangone's high position in the church.

"I'm disappointed that the jury could not reach a decision," said Jay Lapham, a Tarrant County assistant district attorney. "But we will continue to pursue this."

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Jonas Bocanegra Silva and Nadia Gutierrez
Jay Frank Belcher and Amy Michelle

Watson
Wesley Dean Lucas and Brenda Lee Jordan
Charles Wayne Carter and Ashley Celeste

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Jason Ray Lance and Alicia Deann Luncelford

Tyler Don Snapp and Jennifer Rene Chaney

Wade Landon Bruce and Season Heather Putman

Jeremy Wayne Fitzer and Tosha Renee Fly
Richard Deon Scott and Jodalene Grace Doyle

Scott Bransford Hahn and Barbara J. Schwoppe

David Hernandez Cano and Christina Marie Rodriguez

Jesse Hernandez and Carily Anne Downs

Sept. 1-30

Jerry L. Nelson and Barbara Schlect Nelson

Douglas Neal Lasater and Becky Louise Sullins

William Thomas Reynolds and Heidi Michelle Searl

James M. Ray and Eva Tillman Day

Larry James Lawley Jr. and Nictenja Davila

Wayland Lee Tolbert and Jannie M. Pigman

Cristino Hugo Pena and Juanita Munoz Woody

David Lewis Munoz and Maria D. Morales

Phillip Gene Carter and Laura Michelle Jones

Ronald Charles Smith and Tracy Jo Kidwell

James Thomas Howard III and Teresa Haag Cox

William Don Waincott and Angela Marie Moyer

Jerry Allen Harden and Jamie Kaye

Thigpen
Delbert J. Thacker and Marilyn Janelle Ratzlaff
Enrique F. Munguia Jr. and Sondra Dawn Shepard
Granville Lee Sanders and Heather D. Morgan
Robert Raymond Swearingim and Tera Jo Dougherty
Lorenzo Solis and Norma Velia Muro
Paul Evan Hinson and Tonya Lea Helton
Alan Mark Dibble and Sharon Elaine Ward

The District Clerk's Office reported the following divorces.

Aug. 1-31

Venus S. Bernal and Leroy Bernal
Annetta Michelle Doan and Johnny Ray Doan

Mary Ann Kawczynski and Antonio Kawczynski

Marques Adrian Long and Kehli Munoz Long

Richard D. Patterson and Anita M. Patterson

Sept. 1-30

Lila Faye Adams and Wendell Lee Adams

Marina Alvidrez and Jesus Arturo Alvidrez

Lee Edward Bolton and Brandy Diane Bolton

Julie Lynn Butler and Mark Allen Butler

Tina Marie Holt and Winston Holt, Jr.

Calvin Lee Menefield and Maxine Menefield

Gloria E. Quilimaco and Robert Quilimaco, Jr.

Dale Richard Roth and Dorothy Mae Roth

Brian Schaible and Sherri Kay Schaible

Amanda Misty Dawn Shelton and Joshua Lee Shelton

Harriet La Fern Smiley and Gary Lee Smiley

Bonita Dee Smith and Stanley Sherman Smith

Johnny Duane Williams and Ruth Marie Williams

Mary L. Williams and Durward J. Williams

Donna Faye Winkleblack and Wendel Lee Winkleblack

SHERIFF

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

Monday, Oct. 14

Charles Glenn Spencer, 40, 615 N. Dwight, was arrested by county deputies on a blue warrant for Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Brenda Gail Thomason, 31, 1031 N. Sumner, Apartment #217, was arrested for theft of property by check.

Michael Wayne Blalock, 44, 714 E. Frederic, was arrested on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection, expired registration and county traffic warrants.

FIRE

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

STOCKS

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

Wheat	4.33	NOI	21.90	+1.17
Milo	4.03	KML	35.61	+0.87
Corn	4.56	XCEL	8.88	+0.08
Soybeans	4.53	Kerr McGee	43.10	+1.04
Sunflowers	9.00	Limited	15.10	+0.58
		Williams	1.96	+0.09
		McDonalds	17.97	NC
		Exxon Mobil	35.76	+0.83
		Atmos	21.72	+0.47

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

Occidental	29.81	+0.62	Pioneer Nat.	26.47	+0.49
Fidelity Magell.	NA	XCEL	17.33	+0.79	
Puritan	NA	COP	47.95	+0.61	
		Schlumberger	38.12	+0.54	
		Tenneco	5.05	+0.26	

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

BP	41.27	+1.34	Wal-Mart	55.60	+1.45
Celanese	17.99	+1.09	OKE	18.69	+0.35
Cabot Corp.	21.49	+0.73	NS Group	5.97	+0.02
Cabot Oil Gas	22.60	+0.57	New York Gold	317.95	
Coca Cola	52.11	-0.44	Silver	73.25	+0.60
			West Texas Crude	30.03	

CARSON CO. SHERIFF

Carson County reported the following arrests during the week of Oct. 7-13. Currently, there are seven persons incarcerated in the jail and an additional 17 prisoners are being held in other jurisdictions.

Oct. 7-13

Christine Stephenson, 40, Pampa, theft of more than \$500 but less than \$1,500.

Melissa Heard, 34, Fritch, assault causing bodily injury.

Steven Gonser, 46, Borger, probation revocation — driving while intoxicated.

James Lanham, 19, Pampa, warrants out of Hutchinson County.

Amy Dixon, 20, Hollister, Calif., absent without leave from the U.S. Navy.

POLICE

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

Monday, Oct. 14

Marcella Lynn Turner, 21, 1140 Terrace, was arrested on capias pro fine warrants for disorderly conduct.

AMBULANCE

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

Monday, Oct. 14

1:56 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of East Locust. No patient was transported.

Tuesday, Oct. 15

6:02 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Starkweather and Browning. No patient was transported.

Councilman refuses to step down

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — One of two city councilman accused of selling their votes on a city contract says he won't step down and that Mayor Ed Garza's request for his resignation should have a lot of people.

About 75 people, identifying themselves as representatives of the Community of Churches for Social Action, rallied Monday on behalf of the councilman, John Sanders, chanting, "Do not resign, do not resign."

Following last week's indictment of Sanders and Enrique Martin, Garza asked them to resign because of the effect the controversy could have on the council and the city. Both refused, saying they owe it to their constituents to remain in office.

By Monday, Garza's stand had gained the support of only one other member of the City Council, Julian Castro, the San Antonio Express-News reported in its Tuesday editions.

Martin's and Sanders' resignations could help the council avoid an internal power struggle that would make it more difficult to

lure a Toyota manufacturing plant to the city and to hammer out an acceptable deal for the PGA Village golf resort, Castro said.

"It has created chaos at City Hall," Castro said of the allegations concerning Sanders, Martin and two representatives of a law firm who were named in the indictment.

Sanders said that the indictment can be a distraction for council if they make it a distraction. "I'm not going to be a poster boy for (Garza's) leadership campaign."

Sanders and Martin were accused in a federal indictment last week of taking \$12,000 in bribes in exchange for their vote in favor of a San Antonio law firm to collect municipal court fees and fines.

Also named in the indictment was Juan Pena, a partner in the firm that was then known as Lineberger Goggan Blair Pena and Sampson, and Henry J. "Jack" Pytel Jr., a lobbyist hired by the firm.

Pena resigned from the firm Friday. He and Pytel are accused of buying the votes to secure the \$1.4 million city contract.

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Bolton: Iraq needs 'de-Nazification'

WASHINGTON (AP) — A senior Bush administration official called Tuesday for "de-Nazification" of the regime that rules Iraq as well as President Saddam Hussein's ouster in order to restore stability in the Persian Gulf region.

Undersecretary of State John Bolton said "taking out the people who are at the top" and not just Saddam was part of the regime change the Bush administration seeks.

"There will be no stability in the region until he's gone" along with his top lieutenants, Bolton said in drawing a parallel to Afghanistan, where the Taliban regime was ousted five weeks after the United States attacked last year.

Bolton's reference to "de-Nazification," meanwhile, conjured up images of post-World War II Germany where the United States and its allies removed and tried several of Adolf Hitler's top aides.

The Bush administration is in the midst of sifting through historical models in plotting a post-war Iraq. The occupation of Germany and the installation of a U.S.-directed regime in Japan are among those under consideration, Secretary of State Colin Powell said last week.

Bolton said he did not need any more evidence to convince him that Saddam has hidden chemical and biological weapons and is pursuing nuclear weapons, as well.

U.S. war planning is aimed at "neutralizing him quickly to protect our troops and keep him from using the weapons," Bolton said.

If Iraq has a chance, "it is going to use the weapons and kill a lot of civilians," Bolton said at a breakfast session with Pentagon and State Department correspondents.

In the skies over Iraq on Tuesday allied planes bombed a military command facility in the southern no-fly zone after taking fire from Iraqi forces, Pentagon officials said.

The bombing brought to 50 the number of days this year that such strikes were reported by the United States and the United Kingdom coalition, whose mission is to patrol two zones set up to protect Iraqi minorities following the 1991 Gulf War.

At the United Nations, the United States and Britain continued to struggle for support for a resolution that would warn Iraq of "consequences" if it did not disarm.

Powell and the British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw met at the State Department in Washington. Powell told reporters that negotiations on a resolution were "intense and are continuing."

"I hope we will find a solution," Powell said. "The French had some ideas," he said, without elaboration.

France is the most stubborn holdout against threatening Iraq with war if it refuses to disarm.

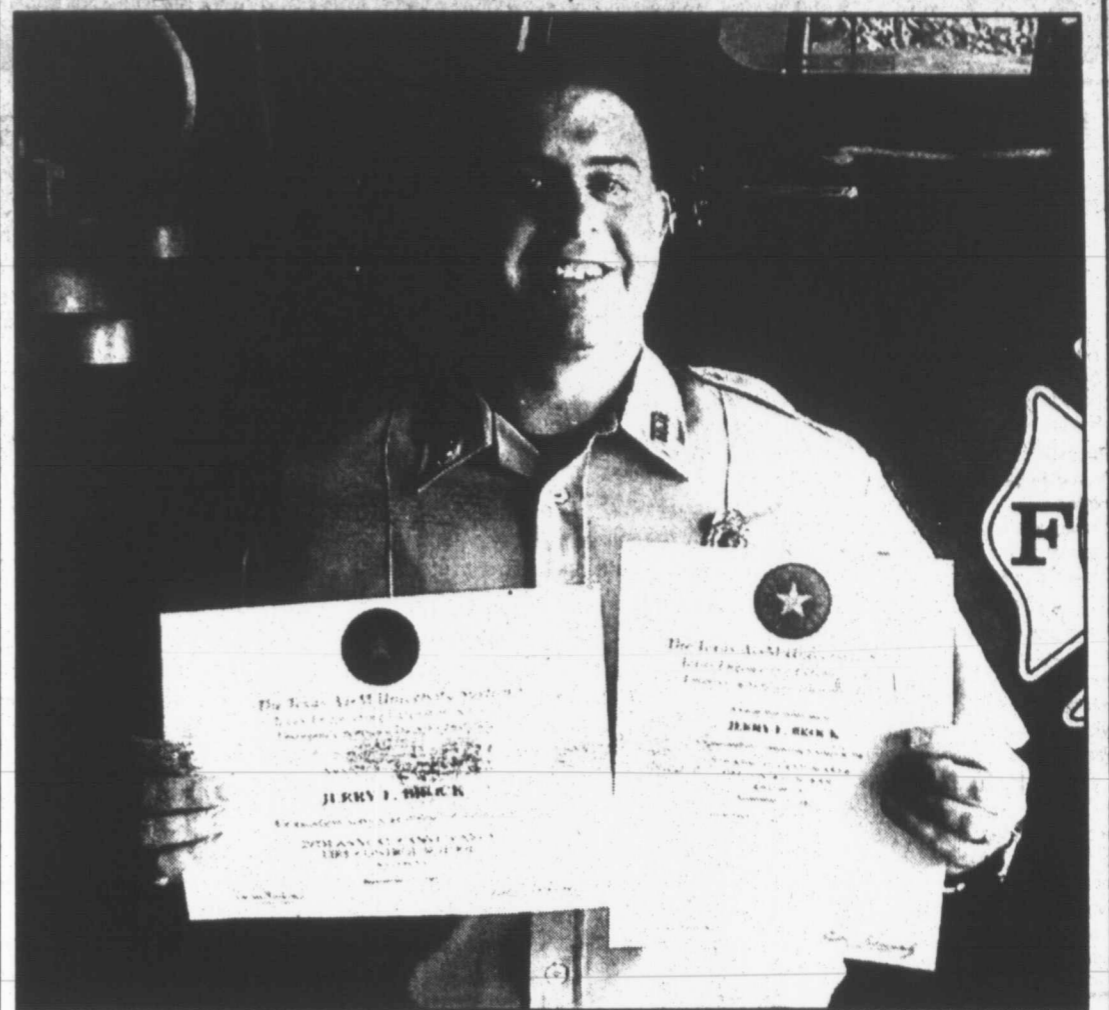
At a political rally Monday in Michigan President Bush said Saddam wants to use al-Qaida as his "forward army" against the West. He pointed to the Indonesian car bombing as fresh evidence of the need to stamp out the terror network.

"We need to think about Saddam Hussein using al-Qaida to do his dirty work, to not leave fingerprints behind," Bush said Monday at a rally for Republican candidates.

"This is a man who we know has had connections with al-Qaida. This is a man who, in my judgment, would like to use al-Qaida as a forward army," Bush said later at a Dearborn, Mich. fundraiser.

Bush has not provided concrete evidence of a link between al-Qaida and Saddam. But as he seeks a United Nations resolution giving Iraq one last chance to disarm or face U.S.-led action, he is warning of such a link.

Firefighter instructor



(Courtesy photo)

On Sept. 11 this year, Pampa Firefighter Jerry Brock attended the annual Canyon Area Fire School where he instructed classes in Live Fire Training. Students numbered around 60 each night for these classes. This year marks Brock's third year of instruction at Canyon. Brock has been with the Pampa Fire Department since December 2001.

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SNIPER

Astro van with a burned-out left rear tail light and a chrome ladder on its roof. The highways were reopened in time for morning rush hour and no arrests were reported.

"There are a fair number of ways to leave the area," Manger said. "We made a number of traffic stops. I am unaware of any pursuits."

Franklin was felled by a single shot to the head about 9:15 p.m. as she stood in the parking lot of the blocks-long shopping center. All the other deaths in the sniper spree were also caused by one shot.

Outside the Home Depot on Tuesday, a line of officers on their hands and knees scoured the covered parking deck for evidence, and a tow truck hauled away the victim's car — a small red convertible with a black cloth top.

The Washington Post, quoting an FBI chaplain at Franklin's home, reported

on its Web site that Franklin and her husband were planning to move Friday to another home in the area and were at Home Depot to buy supplies.

The center where Franklin worked, established in 1998, is the only FBI organization scheduled to transfer to the Department of Homeland Security under the Bush administration's proposal.

The shooting spree that has terrorized residents in the Washington area began Oct. 2 in Montgomery County, Md. With Monday's shooting, the toll has grown to nine people killed and two seriously wounded in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

"Ballistic evidence has conclusively linked this case to the other murders in the area," Manger said.

Montgomery County Police Chief Charles Moose, who is leading the task force investigating the shootings, was on the scene of the latest shooting.

Monday's killing hap-

pened near one of northern Virginia's busiest interchanges, where major arteries come together to form seven corners. Virginia State Police said the van was last seen traveling east on Route 50 from Falls Church. Interstates 66 and 495 are nearby.

Clint Van Zandt, a former FBI profiler who lives in Fredericksburg, Va., said the location sets the slaying apart from the others. "This is not bold, this is brazen," he said. "It's a much more highly congested area, even under the cover of darkness."

While giving few details of the manhunt, investigators have logged some consistencies: the killer favors suburban gas stations; takes down each victim with a single bullet; doesn't kill on weekends; and, judging from a fortunetelling tarot card left at one of the shootings, appears to enjoy taunting police. The card read: "Dear Policeman, I am God."

Many schools in the region remained under lockdown Tuesday, meaning outdoor recess and physical education classes were canceled and students were kept indoors all day.

Mauna Loa stirring; scientists warn eruption could be lethal

VOLCANO, Hawaii (AP) — Mauna Loa is stirring after 18 years of inactivity, and an eruption could devastate the neighborhoods built on the volcano's slopes in the intervening years, scientists said Monday.

Lava could reach Hilo on the eastern side of the island and the Gold Coast resorts of Kona in the west, and inundate neighborhoods in the southwest rift zone above South Point — possibly without much warning, said Peter Cervelli, a research geophysicist at the U.S. Geological Service's Hawaiian Volcano Observatory.

Mauna Loa has erupted 33 times since 1843. In 1984, Mauna Loa erupted for three weeks, sending a 16-mile lava flow toward Hilo.

Since then, more than \$2.3 billion has been invested in new construction along Mauna Loa's slopes, according to the USGS.

Scientists from Stanford University recently joined the observatory in monitoring the 13,500-foot volcano, which began to stir on May 12.

Recent data has revealed that Mauna Loa's summit caldera, the basin inside the volcano, has begun to swell and stretch.

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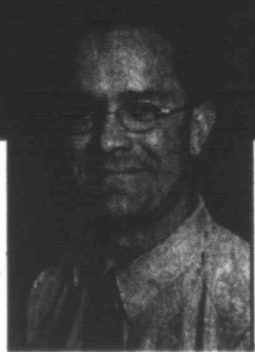
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DEATH

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We are proud to welcome our new Internist, Kevin D. Sieck to our family and our community. Having grown up in Amarillo, Texas, Dr. Sieck is very excited to be back in the Texas Panhandle. Dr. Sieck completed his residency at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he served as Chief Resident. We welcome Dr. Sieck's extensive knowledge and experience to our team.



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VIEWPOINTS

At what price comes peace?

Today we stand on the threshold of war with Iraq. Opinion flies in every direction - both for and against the action. Politics abound. Somewhere in the middle of the rhetoric and the posturing abides a kernel of truth.

Despite what many say, I believe Saddam Hussein poses a terrible threat to our country and to the world. I believe that if he is allowed to continue his regime unchecked, we - the world - will pay for our naivete'.

There are several reasons I feel this way.

I cannot forget the CNN footage of Hussein, a benevolent smile on his face, sitting with a child in his lap and children surrounding him during Desert Storm in 1991. Oh yes, it was perfectly orchestrated propaganda geared to the sensitivity of a compassionate country.

I remember the news reports of him keeping himself surrounded with his wife and children as the bombing raged - using them as human shields because he knew the American people would not stand for any form of violence against innocent women and children.

These actions told me what kind of man Hussein was and time has done nothing to change that.

In the 11 years since Desert Storm, he has repeatedly blocked the United Nation's inspectors from entering the country to be sure he is meeting the terms of the agreement ending Desert Storm.

Each time, he does this in a classic passive/aggressive way, making it appear that he has nothing to hide. Welcoming and gracious, he invites jour-



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EDITOR

nalists in to show them what he wants them to see so they can go out into the world and spread more of his lies.

President Bush has indicated several times that, in addition to the chemical and germ weapons we know Hussein has had, that Iraq will soon be capable of nuclear warfare.

I disagree with Bush. I believe Iraq already has that capability and has had for some time. I believe that when the U.S.S.R. collapsed and all of their nuclear weaponry hit the world market, Hussein was first in line.

This in itself is enough evidence to me that Iraq poses a significant threat to the United States and war may be necessary to protect ourselves.

Last Thursday, U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, speaking to the Senate on the joint resolution to give the president power to use force against Iraq, referred to Hussein as a "rattlesnake."

He used the analogy of knowing there's a rattlesnake out in the rock garden. Now do you put on your boots, get your gun and go out and shoot the snake or do you wait until the snake has bitten your dog or your grandchild, he asked the senators.

"So my view is that we do have the

rattlesnake in the rock garden, we have the ability to go in and get him out, and I don't think we ought to wait around because of the threat that it poses to us in doing what we know we need to do," Gramm said.

Now, this said, I have to add another dimension.

My son is going to, and may well already be in, Iraq as a U.S. Army soldier.

A character in the movie, "A Beautiful Mind," commented, "Conviction is the luxury of those on the sidelines."

I am not on the sidelines. I have a deep and personal investment in this issue. I wish with all my heart the world was at peace and no one's child or loved one would be in harm's way.

The problem is, though we are at heart a peaceful people, there are those in the world who refuse to allow peace to reign. They are the ones that are causing war. We are only responding to their actions.

And if we don't respond, there will be no chance of peace.

I've found I can't pray for my son to be safe without praying for all soldiers, everywhere, to be safe. Why should my son be spared when another is not?

Many times through the years, a specific part of the Lord's Prayer has special meaning to me. When I had financial problems, the part "Give us this day our daily bread," comforted me. At another time, the words, "Forgive us our sins as we forgive others," became significant.

And now, when I pray for Davey, I say these words that are really the answer to all our prayers: "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Plainview fan responds to Pampan's letter to editor

This letter is in response to a letter to our local (Plainview) paper from Louis Reagan of Pampa.

Ms. Reagan graciously sent a letter to our local paper acknowledging our football team's victory in Pampa homecoming activities on Oct. 4. She did, however, use the majority of her letter to make some very unkind and mean-spirited remarks about our student body and those who provide leadership in Plainview.

I felt it appropriate to respond to her words as well as share a few insights of my own.

According to Ms. Reagan, Pampa's students and leaders are far superior to anything found in Plainview. It is my desire to communicate to her and other Pampanians, we will try really hard in the future to measure up to Pampa standards.

When faced with superiority, it's important to change all that you can to become better. With that in mind, I'd like to share what I, a totally objective parent and fan, learned in Pampa on Oct. 4.

1. Sportsmanship; Borger, Perryton and Amarillo schools all speak glowingly of Pampa's behavior. The last time Plainview played at Pampa, 1998, Pampa students chunked pizza at our band. A great moment demonstrating that, well, I hope those kids played baseball.

2. Be sure the sound system is of significant enough quality that at least 10 percent of those in the home stands can hear the announcer.

3. Always, and this is an absolute, communicate with the visiting team concerning any special activities so the visitors might prepare properly and show due deference.

4. Be sure the visiting team has spacious, convenient, and comfortable dressing rooms.

5. Schedule Homecoming activities prior to the game in order to distract rather than celebrate. This also works well because you can get it out of the way before the fans arrive.

6. It was so cute and sweet the way the Pampa boys held hands after the game.

7. In order to thoroughly enjoy Friday night football, become really thick-skinned like Pampa fans.

8. And finally, I learned from Ms. Reagan, eating sour grapes on Friday night causes a tummy ache.

Yours (with tongue firmly planted in cheek) truly,

Carl Pelphrey

Plainview

P.S. Congratulations to Pampa for winning Hereford's Homecoming game.

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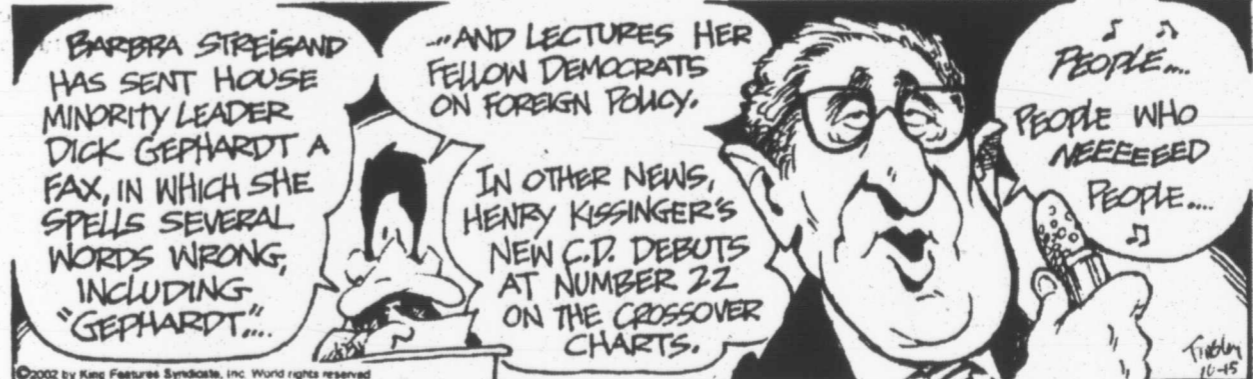
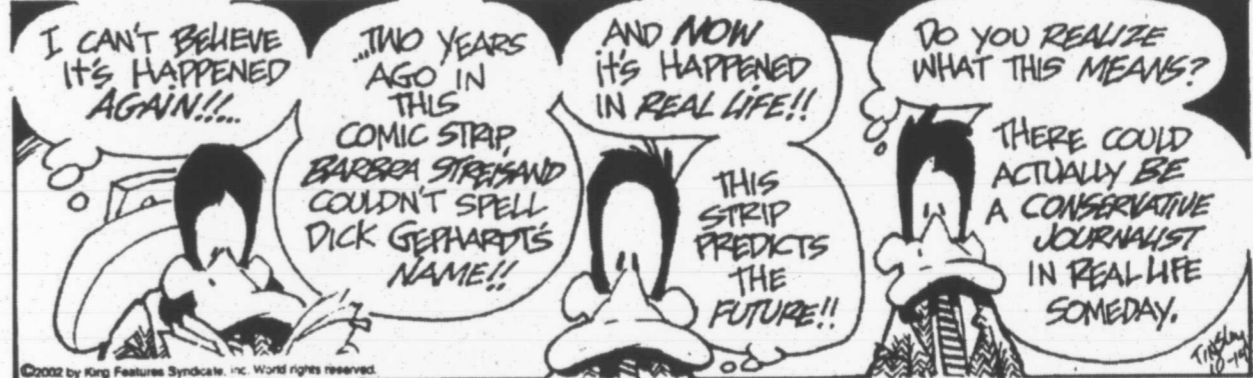
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Religious issues deserve free speech

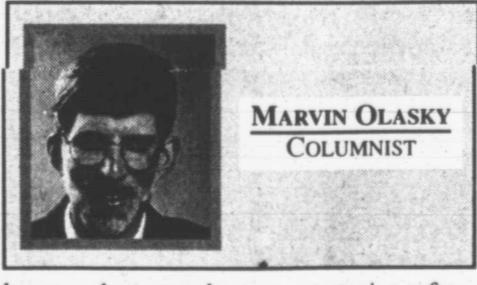
American editorial pages are quick to protest laws, regulations, court rulings or community pressures that could produce a "chilling effect" on free speech and freedom of the press. Why, then, are many backing efforts to cut off debate about vital religious issues?

Some background: Blunt-spoken minister Jerry Falwell on Oct. 6 called Muhammad a "terrorist." Six days later, he apologized for using that word, saying he meant no disrespect to "any sincere, law-abiding Muslim." In the meantime, newspapers across the United States jumped on him.

Example: The Washington Post was shocked, shocked that Falwell had criticized Muhammad and Islam. He and other influential ministers, the Post opined, were putting forth "perverse" teaching, a "noxious mix of religious bigotry and anti-Muslim demagoguery." Other newspapers offered similar indignation.

And yet, Falwell's comments should not have surprised anyone. Over the centuries, Christians have always strongly opposed Islam. Jonathan Edwards, often called America's leading thinker, attacked Muhammad's "pretences to intercourse with heaven, and his success in rapine, murder and violence." Ah, but Edwards wrote that 250 years ago; haven't we learned since then? Maybe, but scholarly books such as Ibn Warraq's "The Quest for the Historical Muhammad" shows how little we still know.

Muhammad said and did some impressive things. He also, by the testimony of Muslim sacred and semi-sacred texts themselves - the Quran and ahadith - engaged in some violent activities. New Testament books were written down while eyewitnesses to Christ's time on earth were still alive. Muslim holy books weren't written down until generations after Muhammad's death. We don't know what Muhammad was really like. We



MARVIN OLASKY
COLUMNIST

know what people two centuries afterward said he was like.

In short, the historical record concerning Muhammad is open to a wide variety of thoughtful interpretations. Readers from different worldviews can and should debate whether some violent activity led by Muhammad was proper or not. Just because Islam suppresses such debate, we should not - especially since we miss many opportunities when we close off debate.

This past summer, another blunt Southern Baptist preacher, Jerry Vines, attacked Muhammad for (according to some records) marrying a 6-year-old and having sexual relations with her at age nine. Vines was of course jumped on by The New York Times ("hate speech against Muslims") and other newspapers. I defended Vines' right to bring up that piece of information that comes right out of Muslim sources.

My defense of free speech led to a beneficial e-mail exchange with Dr. Aslam Abdallah, editor of Minaret, a major Muslim monthly magazine published in Los Angeles. He asked, "Where did you get the information that Muhammad married a 6-year-old girl?" I told him that it came from hadith collected by Sahih Bukhari, Sahih Muslim and Sunan Dawud over a thousand years ago, and gave him the page numbers. He replied, "Muslim scholars have refuted these hadith and questioned their authenticity."

That was interesting. I responded, because Bukhari is "considered the most authentic of all the hadith authors/editors.

If what he writes is not authentic, don't you have to throw out a lot of the Islamic tradition?" Abdallah replied, "Any hadith that contradicts the Quran is not reliable." In essence, since the Quran opposes adults having sexual relations with children, and since the Quran states that Muhammad was sinless, any hadith to the contrary must be tossed aside.

The e-mail exchange taught me much about how Muslim scholars interpret their sacred and semi-sacred texts - and it was prompted by comments by Vines that, according to The New York Times and The Washington Post, never should have been made. Journalists should realize that religious debate, like football, is a collision sport, and we don't learn much when we simply "play nice" with each other.

Secular liberal journalists may consider all religious discussion to be a matter of opinion, but others believe that objective theological truth does exist and can be found. For their many readers who care, newspapers should cover theological contests, point out facemask violations and unnecessary roughness, and see who wins debates that should be rugged, because much is at stake.

TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 15, the 288th day of 2002. There are 77 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 15, 1917, Mata Hari, a Dutch dancer who had spied for the Germans, was executed by a French firing squad outside Paris.

On this date:

In 1914, the Clayton Antitrust Act was passed.

In 1937, the Ernest Hemingway novel, "To Have and Have Not," was first published.

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Crochet demonstration



(Courtesy photo)

Jane Benton, who crochets and knits, conducted demonstrations during the recent Centennial festivities downtown. She is pictured with some of items she has crafted. Other demonstrations included basket-weaving by Pat Kindle and doll-making by local Girl Scouts.

Government forces reclaim Ivory Coast cocoa belt city

BOUAFLE. Ivory Coast (AP) — After hours of gunfire and heavy explosions, government forces reclaimed a major city in the Ivory Coast cocoa belt — even as West African mediators pushed authorities and rebels to agree on a truce. Residents reached by telephone Tuesday said loyalist forces were circulating in Daloa, a city of 160,000 people whose capture Sunday was an important victory for rebels who have seized half the country.

Rebels appeared to have vacated the city, leaving vehicles — and bodies — scattered behind them. "I saw four bodies in the street," said one resident. In the commercial center, Abidjan, mediators waited for word from the insurgents on whether they were ready to sign a truce to end their nearly monthlong rebellion.

The rebels "are sending us very positive signals," Senegalese Foreign Minister Tidiane Gadio said after several telephone conversations Monday with the insurgents. He said he hoped to meet with them in the central, rebel-held city of Bouake on Tuesday.

"I do not consider that the negotiations are over," he said. Earlier, Gadio had said the insurgents agreed "in princi-

ple" to the peace plan — but that they also warned mediators they would respond to any attack with a counterattack.

The insurgents told mediators they had captured Daloa in response to a government offensive north of the city. The victory was symbolically important because the city is in the heartland of Gbagbo's Bete tribe.

Gbagbo in turn instructed his forces to push on as far as Vavoua, about 35 miles north of Daloa.

"This is an infernal kind of logic that just leads to an impasse," Gadio said.

He said he had appealed to the rebels to withdraw from Daloa as a sign of good faith. Sporadic firing continued overnight, but by Tuesday morning the city was calm.

Gbagbo said his government accepted the mediator's proposals, under which rebels would confine themselves to barracks, with their weapons, so peace talks could begin. Only practical details remained to be worked out, he said in an interview Monday on state radio and television.

"This week we will finish this, either by signing or by making war. But we can't wait any longer than the end of this week," Gbagbo said.

Two witnesses saw man prior to Bali blast

BALI, Indonesia (AP) — Indonesian officials interrogated a security guard and another man Tuesday about the Bali nightclub bombing that killed nearly 200 people, and said traces of C-4 plastic explosive were found at the scene.

Police spokesman Maj. Gen. Saleh Saaf said the two witnesses saw a suspicious-looking man with a white plastic bag near the entrance to the Sari Club in Bali's Kuta resort area just before the bombing.

The interrogation came as international pressure intensified for Indonesia to crack down on al-Qaida terrorists and local allies blamed for the bombing, and the accused ringleader of an extremist network said he would submit to police questioning.

Police have questioned dozens of people in connec-

tion with Saturday's bombing, though only two had information directly related to the attack, officials said.

The guard and another man were being "intensively interrogated," Saleh said. He denied reports they had been arrested. He said at least 47 people had been questioned.

The second man was the brother of a man whose identification card was found at the scene of the blast, intelligence officers said on condition of anonymity.

Traces of C-4 plastic explosive were found at the scene, National Police Chief Da'i Bachtiar said.

Meanwhile, Australia's Foreign Minister Alexander Downer urged Jakarta to allow an international investigation into the attack, which killed mostly foreign tourists. Many of those killed were Australian; at least two Americans were among the dead.

"We're working very closely with Indonesia at the moment and it is very important we both hold exactly the same view about terrorism," said Downer, who arrived in Bali late Monday.

The U.N. Security Council unanimously condemned the bombings, calling the attack an "act of international terrorism."

President Megawati

Sukarnoputri is facing growing demands to arrest high-profile suspects whose continued freedom has astounded law enforcement officials in other countries. Whether she can do so without provoking extremists is an open question.

In Washington, President Bush had strong words for the Indonesian leader, saying he planned to talk to her about the need to crack down on terrorism.

"I hope I hear the resolve of a leader who recognizes that any time terrorists take hold in a country it's going to weaken the country itself," Bush said.

Indonesia's intelligence chief Mohamad Abdul Hendropriyono told reporters in Bali that his organization was already cooperating with foreign services in the investigation.

U.S. and Australian detectives joined the hunt for the killers and investigators from Scotland Yard and Germany said it might send experts.

Suspicion has fallen on Jemaah Islamiyah, a group that Singapore says is based in Indonesia and is linked to Osama bin Laden's terror network. The group's leader denied involvement.

In a strange twist, a spokesman for Abu Bakar Bashir, the alleged spiritual head of Jemaah Islamiyah,

said the cleric plans to submit to police questioning on Thursday.

The cleric's brother Umar Bashir said that the cleric, who has strongly denied any role in the Bali attack, wanted to discuss a defamation case he has launched against Time news magazine, which recently published allegations that implicated him in other terrorist activities.

Police say they had no immediate plans to interview Abu Bakar Bashir.

Indonesia has refused to arrest Bashir, saying they have no evidence against him.

Underlying the reluctance is a fear that arresting Bashir could provoke a backlash against the nascent democracy in the world's most populous Muslim nation, and that providing the military wider powers to deal with terrorism could enable the kinds of human rights abuses committed by the military under the reign of former dictator Suharto.

During Suharto's rule, more than a million civilians were killed by security forces.

Malaysia and Singapore have jailed scores of suspected Jemaah Islamiyah members accused of plotting to bomb the U.S. Embassy and other Western targets. The group has carried out bombings in the Philippines.

WT planning annual 'feast'

CANYON — Ticket sales got under way recently for the 21st annual Renaissance Holiday Feast scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 16 in the Alumni Banquet Facility at West Texas A&M University.

The annual event features festive food, music and dress to rekindle the holidays of times past. All entertainment is provided by students in the WTAMU Department of Music and Dance and reflects the music of the sixteenth century.

Hosts will begin serving the traditional wassail, a warm spiced drink, at 6:45 p.m. A traditional renaissance feast will follow at 7 p.m. with a menu featuring fresh vegetables, cabbage and potato soup, parsley bread, cornish game hen, barley dressing, sweet potatoes and apple cake with vanilla sauce.

"This is a great way to begin the holiday season by celebrating with food and music and helping students with scholarships," Dr. Bob Krause, professor of music and chairman of the Renaissance Holiday Feast Committee, said. "Profits from the Renaissance Feast provide scholarships for students directly involved in the production and performance of the dinner."

The feast is presented by the Office of Student Activities and the Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities.

Corporate seating is \$250 for a table of eight. Tickets for open seating are \$25 for general admission, \$45 for couples, \$20 for WTAMU faculty and staff members, \$12 for students, \$9 for WTAMU students and \$7 for WTAMU students with meal cards. A scholarship donation of \$10 per ticket minimum includes preferred seating.

Seating is limited and reservations are required. Reservation deadline is 10 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13. Tickets are available at the Jack B. Kelley Student Center Information Desk, or by calling 806-651-2394. For more information, visit the Renaissance Holiday Feast Web site at www.wtamu.edu/renaissance.

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Melissa's Story

Melissa was a small child with red hair, freckles, and glasses, and oh, so, painfully shy. She was in the fourth grade when she joined the Girl Scouts. The child of a single mother with two siblings.

Her mother was going back to school for her master degree in art. Melissa's mother asked the Girl Scout leader about Melissa joining the troop — of course, there is always room for another girl. So she is now a member of the troop.

Melissa works well with the others girls, but has a hard time talking to adults. She will not try to answer questions in the classroom because the teacher might notice her.

The troop leader is aware of the problem Melissa is having. She works with the troop so everyone can learn to speak to small groups and individuals.

Melissa finishes three years as a junior Girl Scout, and bridges into cadettes. She does all the troop activities, as well as attending camp in the summers.

Girl Scouts has trips for girls 12 years and up, and they can apply, for these are national and international trips. The leader talks to the girls about the opportunities they have and says she will help with the application process.

Melissa decides she would like to apply, and what do you know? She gets the opportunity to go to Kansas for a week of activities. She is excited, but then it hits, I will be alone with people I do not know.

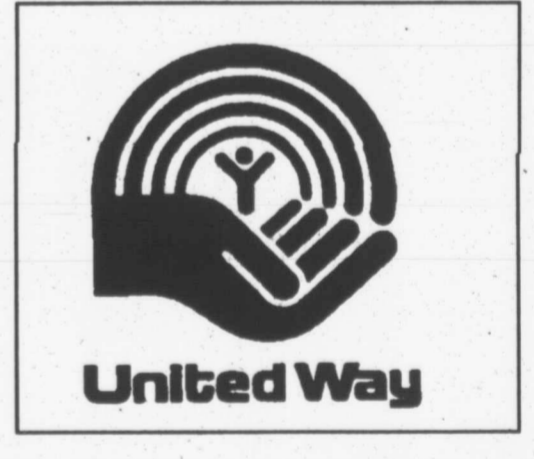
Her mother, troop leader, and other girls say you can do it, go for it. She works for several months to earn money, and the troop leader helps find donations for her to go as well.

Melissa is still unsure she can do this, but her mother gets her to the site. It is hard, but Melissa has a good time and learns a great deal about herself.

Over the next three or four years, she goes on two more Wider Opportunity trips. One trip is in the states and the other is overseas. She traveled to England her junior year in high school. Every year she became more confident. She is a good student and has a part-time job.

She says Girl Scouting allowed her to express herself in a positive way, and become more confident in her abilities. Melissa will be graduating from college with an engineering degree in December.

This year the local Girl Scouts sent 21 girls to resident camp, and a total of 17 adult volunteers participated in its training program. Approximately 250 people attended the annual family banquet and local Scouting officials report council membership numbers have increased in recent months.



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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Young Adult Now Is Grateful For Parents Who Were Strict

DEAR ABBY: I just finished reading the letter from "Teen Held Captive" who complained about her parents (especially her dad) being too strict.

I went through the same thing with my parents. I'm now 25 and mature enough to understand that their actions when I was 16 were motivated only by the purest and deepest love for me and my siblings, for which I am thankful.

Some of my friends whose parents were too permissive used drugs, drank alcohol, became promiscuous and got pregnant or took risks that carried bad consequences. Because of my parents, I graduated from a university, achieved my personal and professional goals, and have nothing to regret.

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DEAR BEEN THERE: I received a ton of mail in response to that letter. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My best friend was constantly grounded for a month or more at a time for the smallest infraction. It made her angry and frustrated, which caused her to go crazy with the sense of freedom when she was able to get out from under her father's controlling eye. On her first night of freedom after being grounded, she put herself in a dangerous situation and got herself killed. She was only trying to have as much fun as she

could in the short time she had before having to be back under her father's thumb.

THE FLIP SIDE IN TEXAS
DEAR FLIP SIDE: You have described a tragedy — and a parent's ultimate fear.

DEAR ABBY: It is unfair to that teen to shelter her to the extent that she'll be completely unprepared for the real world in two more years. Her parents aren't allowing her to learn street smarts or social skills, and she'll be vulnerable because of it.

Studies show that teens who engage in the least drug use or sex

come not from the strictest households (and obviously not from the most permissive), but from moderate ones. Please tell "Captive's" parents to lighten up a little, so she won't have to go through what I did. All they are fostering in her is anger and resentment.

DEAR ASHLEY: You are right; there must be a sense of balance.

DEAR ABBY: I could have written that letter myself 15 years ago. That girl should sit down and ask her father what it is that keeps him from trusting her. His strict rules have little to do with protecting her;

they have more to do with control and distrust.

The girl is almost an adult. Teens need space to make their own decisions and trust to help them make the right decisions.

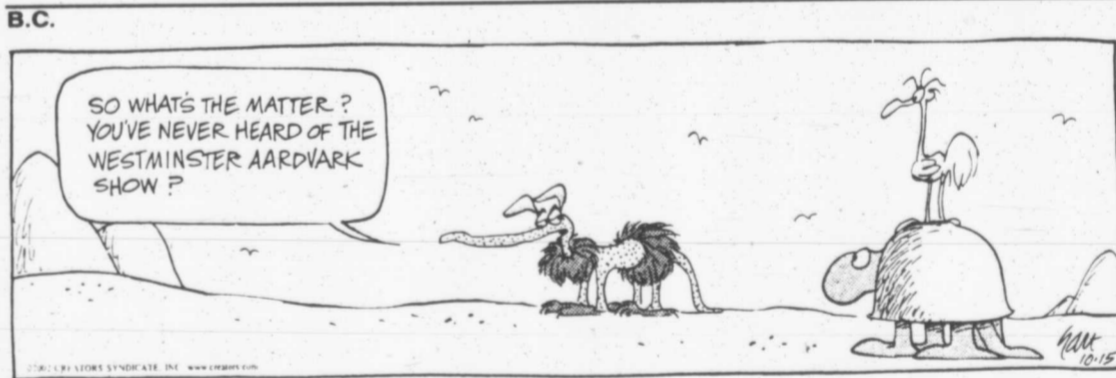
BEEN THERE AND LIED ABOUT IT, EVERETT, WASH.

DEAR BEEN THERE: Parenting is one of the most difficult jobs in the world, not only because it is the parents' job to make unpopular decisions, but because after it has become second nature, the parents must then start "letting go" so that as the child matures, he or she can learn to live independently. A word to the wise: When children are not permitted to make decisions and experience things on their own — within reason — they are unprepared to make sound decisions.

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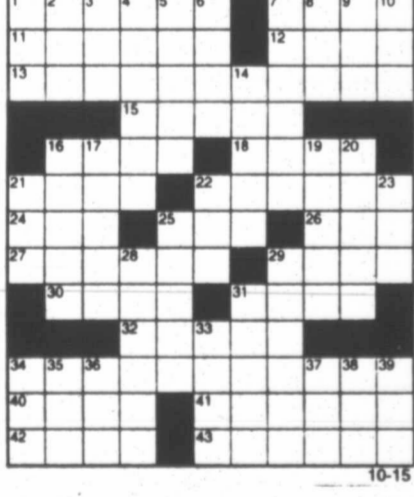
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SPORTS

Tailbacks aren't only worry in Big 12 offenses

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Defending a strong running game used to be pretty basic: Stack a group of guys near the line of scrimmage and zero in on the tailback.

No more. Running quarterbacks have changed those schemes and Big 12 defensive coordinators know that as well as anyone because the league is filled with nimble, fleet-footed players taking the center snap.

"If you look right now in professional football and college football, you're seeing more mobile quarterbacks this year than we've ever seen in the game of football," Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum said Monday.

And what an advantage for a team that has such a player.

"I've often heard it said it's like having another running back in the backfield," Kansas State coach Bill Snyder said. "If your guy can throw it well, it gives you more than a running

back." A look at this week's games in the Big 12 shows the challenges the defenses will face from versatile quarterbacks.

No. 2 Oklahoma, coming off a big win over Texas, has to slow down Iowa State's Seneca Wallace, whose breathtaking 12-yard touchdown run against Texas Tech last Saturday night — he covered an estimated 135 yards on the play — has become a staple on highlight shows.

"He didn't even look like he was winded when he came to sidelines," Iowa State coach Dan McCarney said.

Texas A&M must deal with Kansas' Bill Whittemore, who rushed for 121 yards against Colorado last week. Texas Tech is scheming to stop Missouri's Brad Smith, who was unstoppable against Oklahoma two weeks ago (391 total yards).

Texas must contain Kansas State's

Ell Roberson. Ditto for Oklahoma State against Nebraska's Jammal Lord. Whittemore, Smith, Lord and Roberson are so involved in the running game that they lead their teams in rushing.

Oklahoma State coach Les Miles said the traditional defensive sets against the run, putting seven players "in the box" near the line of scrimmage, doesn't work if an offense has a quarterback who can run.

"If you're in a traditional offense handing the ball to a back, they have one more defender than you have an opportunity to block," Miles said. "But when the quarterback is suddenly a ball carrier and they put seven guys in the box, you put a back on the seventh guy and then you match up."

"It gives defenses fits in the fact that if you want to overload the box, you don't necessarily have that option."

Slocum said a mobile quarterback

can prevent drives from stalling.

"It's like giving you another set of downs," he said. "If you get up to third down, maybe somebody misses a block, instead of getting sacked he either runs for a first down or buys enough time to complete a pass for a first down. In effect, it's given you another possession in the ballgame."

Kansas coach Mark Mangino worries that his quarterback, Whittemore, is a little too mobile. Mangino said Whittemore refuses to go down without a fight.

"The only thing I'd like to see him do is run out of bounds more or slide more," Mangino said. "He doesn't like to do it because he's such a great competitor, but I don't like to see him get hit as much as he has."

"I'm going to talk to Bill today and tell him, for the sake of the team, we need you to get down and slide rather than putting your pads down."

NOTEBOOK

GOLF

PAMPA — Buddy Epperson, Pampa, had a hole-in-one Sunday at Hidden Hills. Epperson hit a 6-iron to ace the 147-yard No. 6 hole.

Witnesses were Travis Taylor, Oscar Sargent and Jim Stroud, all of Pampa.

GENERAL

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Jacob Young continued his vigil of waiting by the phone, craving any word about his son who had been reported missing in the area of two explosions in Bali, Indonesia.

"Every time the phone rings you hope," he said late Monday night from his home in Midland, Texas. "We've been going through that for almost two days."

Family and friends of former University of Nebraska football standout Jake Young anxiously waited for any news. No one had heard from the 34-year-old attorney since two blasts ripped through a popular nightclub Saturday in Bali, killing more than 180 people and injuring hundreds, mostly tourists.

HOCKEY

DENVER (AP) — After boasting the best record in the Eastern Conference last season, the Boston Bruins were embarrassed by their opening-game loss in Minnesota.

Three days later, the Bruins made amends.

Sergei Samsonov scored a power-play goal with just a half-second remaining, lifting the Bruins to a 2-1 win over the Colorado Avalanche on Monday night.

"The guys knew we could play better than we played the other night," coach Robbie Ftorek said of the Bruins' 5-1 loss Friday. "Regardless of the win, we had a real good game, and that's what we were shooting for."

With the game appearing to head for overtime, Samsonov scored on the Bruins' 17th power-play shot after Milan Hejduk was penalized for pulling down P.J. Axelsson on a partial breakaway at 19:15.

"I came out of the corner knowing there wasn't much time," Samsonov said. "I had the option to give it to a defenseman or to go to the net. I went to the net, knowing we had a couple guys in front."

"I went low to the glove side. I was surprised when it went in. How many times are you going to score goals like that?"

Bruins goalie John Graham made 24 saves, and Colorado's Patrick Roy had 35.

"Sammy did a nice job," Ftorek said of Samsonov. "He was able to find it in the last second. We took a lot of shots, and Patrick made a lot of saves, as did John Graham. Fortunately, the last one went in for us."

In other NHL games, it was Phoenix 4, Columbus 2; Pittsburgh 5, Toronto 4; and Calgary 3, Vancouver 2.

Colorado, idle since its season opener Wednesday, was outshot 37-25. The Avalanche have just one point to show for their first two games, both at home; they tied Dallas in the opener.



(Photo by Grover Black)

Cheerleaders, like football players, also have injury problems. Above, Krissy Holman wears a bandage on an injured knee as she cheers on the Pampa Harvesters in their game Friday night at Hereford.

Optimist Raiders are 5-0

PAMPA — The Zelco Trucking Raiders remained unbeaten this year in the 5th-6th grade Optimist Football League by defeating the Lefors Bucs 38-6 this past weekend.

Madison Wilson led the Raiders' offense, by gaining 174 yards on just 3 carries while scoring a touchdown and 2 extra points. Casey Trimble had 65 yards on 2 carries while scoring a touchdown and 2 extra points.

Heath Skinner scored a touchdown and extra point on 4 carries for 20 yards. Hayden Skinner carried

the ball 2 times for 30 yards while Kadin Barton carried once for 8 yards.

John Luke Covalt scored an extra point before leaving the game in the first half with a hand injury.

Lefors ran the ball well against the Raiders, gaining 120 yards on 50 carries. Tyler Smith, Brandon McBee and Kennan Lott did most of the running for the Bucs with Lott scoring the lone touchdown.

The Raiders improved their won-loss record to 5-0 while the Bucs fell to 1-4.

Pampa favored by 7 over PD

PAMPA — It may be a little early to start playoff talk, but the Pampa could take a big step toward post-season activity this weekend. However, the Harvesters must get by a strong Palo Duro team which has won five of six games and is currently 2-0 in the District 3-4A race.

Pampa (5-2, 2-1) will have the homefield advantage. Harris Rating System thinks that may make the difference as the pollster lists Pampa as a 7-point favorite.

Kickoff is 7:30 Friday night in Harvester Stadium.

The Dons did have to struggle to get past Dumas, 13-10, while the Harvesters scored 28 unanswered points in the second half for a 35-6 rout of Hereford.

Pampa and Palo Duro have been in the same district since 1998 when the Dons moved down from Class 5A. Pampa had a 3-0 record over PD until last season when the Dons won 10-7. The two teams would end up sharing the district championship.

Palo Duro opened the 2002 season against Amarillo High and was leading 14-0 when the game was canceled at halftime because of a lightning storm. The Dons would be awarded the win. Palo Duro split a pair of tight contests; losing to Frenship 28-27 and beating Tascosa in overtime 23-16. Then came wins for the Dons against Lubbock Estacado (38-7) and Hereford (14-12) before last weekend's squeaker against Dumas.

District 3-4A Standings

Team	District	Overall
Plainview	3-0	5-2
Palo Duro	2-0	5-1
Pampa	2-1	5-2

Big 12, SEC could hook up in Houston Bowl

HOUSTON (AP) — Negotiations are proceeding that could bring a match-up between the Big 12 and Southeastern Conference in the Houston Bowl beginning with post-season play that follows the 2003 season.

Gallery Furniture no longer is a title sponsor for the bowl, and the classic will be now be known as the Houston Bowl, officials said, rather than the GalleryFurniture.com bowl.

The Big 12 is tied to the bowl for four more years, and Conference USA's contract with the bowl expires after this season, clearing the way for a tie-in with the SEC.

"We're getting very serious about the SEC coming in with our bowl and tying in with the Big 12," Houston Bowl chairman and CEO Jerry Ippoliti told Houston television station KRIV Monday.

"It's very important because it has a lot to do with the opportunities for more corporate involvement because of the tie-in with two of the best conferences in the country. The SEC sells out every bowl that they play in."

Ippoliti said if an agreement is reached, the bowl's

preference would be to draw a team from the SEC's Western Division, which includes Alabama, Arkansas, Auburn, LSU, Mississippi and Mississippi State.

Big 12 commissioner Kevin Weiberg said a bowl tie-in with the SEC would be a positive.

"I think from a fan interest standpoint, the ability of their participating team to bring a large audience to the game, there's some real positives there. Those are things we're going to have to explore," Weiberg said.

BOWLING

League Results at Harvester Lanes

Church League (Week 3)

Team	Won	Lost
Wards For Christ	9	3
The Wanna Be	9	3
Hits & Misses	8	4
Four Him 7	5	
Rock Solid 7	5	
Team Five 6	6	
Ball Point Pens	5	7
Carpenter's Creations	4	8
Team Nine 4	8	

Men
High scratch game: Dennis King 187;
High scratch series: Dennis King 481;
High handicap game: Roy Villareal 249;
High handicap series: Roy Villareal 640.

Women
High scratch game: Brenda Kelley 179;
High series: Brenda Kelley 429; High
handicap game: Brenda Kelley 244; High
handicap series: Brenda Kelley 624.

Lone Star League (Week 6)

Team	Won	Lost
Pampa Transmission	15	5
Harvester Cafe	13	7
Now & Then	11	9
Schiffman Machine	9	11
Quality Sales	9	11
Team Two 9	11	
Whitehead Cattle Co.	7	13
GB's Contractors	7	13

Week's Top Scores
High scratch game: Carla Schiffman 208;
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Giants slip by Cardinals; advance to World Series

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The scoreboard flashed "The Giants Win the Pennant!" The crowd chanted "Beat L.A.!" The sound system played "I Left My Heart in San Francisco."

Inside the clubhouse, Giants players shouted and sprayed champagne. All except one.

Because off in a corner and away from the bedlam, Barry Bonds stayed dry — until his 12-year-old son, Nikolai, poured water over his head.

"When we win the World Series, I'll celebrate," Bonds said.

Bonds will get a chance to capture the one prize that has eluded him, thanks to Kenny Lofton's RBI single with two outs in the ninth inning that sent the Giants over the St. Louis Cardinals 2-1 Monday night to win the NL championship series in five games.

The first all-wild-card World Series will start Saturday night at Anaheim when the Angels take on the Giants.

His postseason failures now in the

past, baseball's biggest star will get his first opportunity to play on baseball's biggest stage. Bonds made it at age 38, in his 17th major league season.

"It's a feeling I can't explain. Maybe in a few days I'll be able to tell someone how I feel," he said.

Often criticized for being selfish and not interacting with his teammates, Bonds led the rush from the Giants' third-base dugout to congratulate Lofton. The four-time MVP — and five-time playoff series loser — was the first player off the bench to reach him.

"I'm just so glad I'm going to the World Series," Bonds said. "For me, it's a long time coming."

Bonds did his part in Game 5, hitting a bases-loaded sacrifice fly in the eighth off a determined Matt Morris that tied it at 1.

Before this year, Bonds had hit only .196 with one homer and six RBIs in 97 postseason at-bats. But he hit three home runs against Atlanta in the opening round and kept coming through against the Cardinals.

"Once I got past the ghosts of my past, I just played baseball," he said.

There was a good omen before this game started, too. His father, former big league star Bobby Bonds, threw out the first ball.

The Giants and Angels did not meet in interleague play this season, but they've seen each other. They both hold spring training in the Phoenix area and hook up in exhibition games.

Giants manager Dusty Baker and Anaheim manager Mike Scioscia were teammates on the Dodgers from 1980-83, and helped lead Los Angeles to the 1981 World Series title.

Though the Giants' biggest rivals are the Dodgers, Baker was already looking forward to this all-California matchup against Anaheim.

"Southern L.A. It's Orange County, but let's beat L.A.," he said.

The Cardinals, playing on emotion since the death of Darryl Kile in June, once again could not get a big hit when it counted. They finished 3-for-39 with runners in scoring posi-

tion in the series.

"It was a storybook season," said reliever Steve Kline, who gave up the game-winning hit. "It just didn't have the right ending."

Morris retired the first two batters in the ninth before David Bell and Shawn Dunston singled.

At that point, Kline relieved and Lofton pulled the first pitch into right field. Bell scored easily, sending the Giants to their first World Series since 1989 as the sellout crowd of 42,673 erupted at Pacific Bell Park.

Lofton especially enjoyed the party, having been booed at Busch Stadium in Game 1 when his objection to an inside pitch triggered a bench-clearing skirmish. He had been in an 0-for-16 rut before hitting singles in his final three at-bats.

"It's an awesome feeling at this point," said Lofton, acquired July 28 from the Chicago White Sox for two minor leaguers. "I wanted to get to the playoffs, I wanted to get a ring, and the opportunity came up."

Bonds jumped up and down with the NLCS MVP, 37-year-old catcher

Benito Santiago. It was Santiago's home run in Game 4 that gave the Giants a 3-1 lead in this series.

"This is a dream come true," Santiago said. "I can't be happier than this."

Bonds got the chance of a lifetime in the eighth, coming up with the bases loaded, one out and the Giants down 1-0. The home-run king and first-time batting champion delivered — sort of — with a fly ball that evened it.

Tim Worrell, the third Giants reliever, wound up with the win. Cardinals manager Tony La Russa stuck with Morris until the final batter, letting him pitch in a game that honored his mentor — Kile.

"I think he was giving me the opportunity to win or lose it," Morris said. "I ended up losing it."

After sweeping the defending champion Arizona Diamondbacks in the first round, St. Louis stopped hitting. All-Star third baseman Scott Rolen did not play in the series after injuring his left shoulder against Arizona.

49ers trim Seahawks, 28-21

SEATTLE (AP) — Terrell Owens did it again, this time leaving his mark on the Seattle Seahawks.

San Francisco's brash Pro Bowl receiver caught a 37-yard touchdown pass midway through the fourth quarter as the 49ers rallied for a 28-21 victory Monday night.

But that was only half of it.

After the catch, Owens whipped a pen from his sock and signed his name on the ball, a gift for a mutual friend of Owens and Shawn Springs, the Seattle cornerback who was beaten on the play.

"I just tried to be creative," Owens said. "I was just trying to have fun. It was a situation where I knew we were going to the end zone in the fourth quarter."

Owens has made something of a notorious name for himself around the NFL.

Two years ago, he danced on the midfield star at Texas Stadium after scoring against the Cowboys. And his theatrics in Seattle were premeditated, since he slipped the pen into his sock after the third quarter.

"It was down there by my ankle," he explained.

Owens' TD gave the 49ers (4-1) a 26-21 lead with 7:46 remaining, and Jeff Garcia found Garrison Hearst for the 2-point conversion. As the 49ers celebrated later, they answered numerous questions about Owens' showmanship.

"That's just T.O. being very unique in ways that a lot of people wouldn't think about," Garcia said.

The Seahawks (1-4) are sinking despite a talented roster. Seattle had this one in hand, leading 21-20 and driving for another score when Ahmad Plummer intercepted a pass by Trent Dilfer with 10 minutes left.

"Anytime you lose, it stinks, especially on Monday night with a division game," said Seattle running back Shaun Alexander, who rushed for 96 yards. "We just have to finish. We do little things that stop us from being the best."

The 49ers moved to the Seattle 37, where Garcia found Owens down the left side. Springs had decent position, but Owens leaped to make the catch.

"It was a straight go, and Jeff gave me the opportunity," the 6-foot-3 Owens said. "We talked about it at halftime. It was basically a jump ball. I just used my height in that position."

The win kept San Francisco one game ahead of Arizona in the NFC West. The 49ers won the division 14 times between 1981 and 1997.

Seattle made plenty of solid plays but couldn't outperform the opponent. Bobby Engram returned a punt 61 yards for a TD, giving the Seahawks a 14-10 lead with 5:41 before halftime.

"I did the running, but I had guys out there blocking and fighting hard," he said.

The difference between the 49ers and Seahawks, though, was most apparent on San Francisco's first possession of the second half. A punt by Jeff Feagles pinned the 49ers at their own 1.

Garcia went to work, ignoring the crowd noise to direct a 12-play drive that ended when Kevan Barlow ran for a 6-yard touchdown to give the 49ers a 20-14 lead.

"We let them off the hook down there at the 1-yard line," Seattle coach Mike Holmgren said.

The Seahawks answered, with Alexander going 42 yards on the first play of the ensuing series. He capped a 76-yard drive on a 1-yard run with 1:11 left in the third quarter to make it 21-20.

But Owens wasn't finished. San Francisco took over after Dilfer's second interception and moved 68 yards in six plays. Just before the touchdown, Springs was called for illegal contact, giving the 49ers a first down at Seattle's 37.

"We just couldn't stop them when we had to," Seahawks linebacker Isaiah Kacyvenski. "They were getting a good clip of yards on their first downs. That left them with second-and-short and kept us guessing."

Piniella is leaving Mariners

SEATTLE (AP) — Lou Piniella is leaving the Seattle Mariners, the latest marquee name in a recent exodus that's included Ken Griffey Jr., Randy Johnson and Alex Rodriguez.

Piniella, though, might be the toughest to replace.

"Even more than our players, he epitomized the Seattle Mariners," chief executive Howard Lincoln said Monday. "He was so helpful. His presence was so important in saving major league baseball for Seattle and the Pacific Northwest."

The Mariners agreed to release Piniella from the final year of his contract, allowing him to leave Seattle after a 10-year span when he elevated the team into baseball's upper tier.

"It's fair to say we have parted as good and warm friends," Lincoln said.

Piniella didn't return several messages left at his home in Tampa, Fla.

Mariners officials "understand what I'm trying to do," Piniella told The Tampa Tribune. "It's just too far to be in Seattle. It's a burden on me, on my family. It's just too far from home."

The 59-year-old Piniella has parents and grandchildren in the Tampa area.

He approached Lincoln about leaving the Mariners during a season-ending road trip in Anaheim. He met Friday in Tampa with Lincoln, team president Chuck Armstrong and general manager Pat Gillick.

Lincoln and Armstrong called Piniella again on Monday.

"We reiterated our mutual friendship and respect, that we were disappointed he wasn't coming back, that based on what he told us in Tampa Bay there was a pressing and real need to live and work closer to his family in Tampa Bay. We

understood and we were sympathetic," Lincoln said.

Piniella managed Seattle for the past 10 seasons, taking a perennial no-name team to three straight playoff trips and a record-tying 116 victories in 2001.

Seattle won 93 games this season but finished third in the AL West behind Oakland and Anaheim, and expectations are sure to be high again next spring for a team that has led the majors in attendance two straight years.

Gillick will oversee the search for a successor, but Lincoln declined to say much about what kind of candidate they're seeking. There's no timetable, but the team plans to hire someone before the winter meetings.

"We want to get the best person for this particular job, this baseball team, this ballpark," Lincoln said. "Pat Gillick is focusing on a person who can handle the players we have now, the strengths and weaknesses of our team as it exists."

Teams will be allowed to interview Piniella after "appropriate and reasonable compensation" is arranged, Lincoln said. He declined to elaborate, but compensation is believed to involve money or players.

The New York Mets and the Tampa Bay Devil Rays may be interested in Piniella, a former manager and general manager of the New York Yankees.

"We just became aware of this statement tonight and we are going to reserve further comment until we have time to digest it," Mets spokesman Jay Horwitz said.

The Devil Rays also said they need some time to decide whether to pursue Piniella, whose career record of 1,319-1,135 includes a mark of 840-711 with Seattle.

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At A Glance

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	5	1	0	.833	180	120
Buffalo	3	3	0	.500	194	204
New England	3	3	0	.500	152	134
N.Y. Jets	1	4	0	.200	75	162

South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	4	1	0	.800	114	90
Jacksonville	3	2	0	.600	118	95
Tennessee	2	4	0	.333	130	173
Houston	1	4	0	.200	66	123

North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	2	3	0	.400	87	101
Pittsburgh	2	3	0	.400	110	112
Cleveland	2	4	0	.333	127	134
Cincinnati	0	6	0	.000	51	181

West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Diego	5	1	0	.833	146	98
Oakland	4	1	0	.800	175	118
Denver	4	2	0	.667	146	120
Kansas City	3	3	0	.500	205	193

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	3	2	0	.600	165	92
Dallas	3	3	0	.500	88	120
N.Y. Giants	3	3	0	.500	86	98
Washington	2	3	0	.400	106	137

South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	5	1	0	.833	186	145
Tampa Bay	5	1	0	.833	143	56
Carolina	3	3	0	.500	102	75
Atlanta	2	3	0	.400	100	84

North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	5	1	0	.833	173	145
Chicago	2	3	0	.400	112	132
Detroit	1	4	0	.200	109	169
Minnesota	1	4	0	.200	130	165

West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	4	1	0	.800	115	81
Arizona	3	2	0	.600	99	87
Seattle	1	4	0	.200	105	115
St. Louis	1	5	0	.167	102	138

Sunday's Games

Buffalo 31, Houston 24
Dallas 14, Carolina 43
Atlanta 17, N.Y. Giants 10
Indianapolis 22, Baltimore 20
New Orleans 43, Washington 27
Green Bay 28, New England 10
Minnesota 31, Detroit 24
Pittsburgh 34, Cincinnati 7
Tampa Bay 17, Cleveland 3
St. Louis 28, Oakland 13

Tennessee 23, Jacksonville 14
San Diego 35, Kansas City 34
Miami 24, Denver 22

Open: N.Y. Jets, Arizona, Philadelphia, Chicago

Monday's Game

San Francisco 28, Seattle 21

Chicago at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Miami, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Seattle at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Denver at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Houston at Cleveland, 4:05 p.m.
San Diego at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Dallas at Arizona, 4:15 p.m.
Washington at Green Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m.
Open: New England, Cincinnati, N.Y. Giants, Tennessee
Monday, Oct. 21
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh, 9 p.m.

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LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

American League

Anaheim 4, Minnesota 1
Minnesota 2, Anaheim 1
Anaheim 6, Minnesota 3
Anaheim 2, Minnesota 1
Anaheim 7, Minnesota 1
Anaheim 13, Minnesota 5

National League

Wednesday, Oct. 9
San Francisco 9, St. Louis 6

Thursday, Oct. 10
San Francisco 4, St. Louis 1

Saturday, Oct. 12
St. Louis 5, San Francisco 4

Sunday, Oct. 13
San Francisco 4, St. Louis 3

Monday, Oct. 14
San Francisco 2, St. Louis 1. San Francisco wins series 4-1

WORLD SERIES

Saturday, Oct. 19
San Francisco at Anaheim, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 20
San Francisco at Anaheim, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 22
Anaheim at San Francisco, 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 23
Anaheim at San Francisco, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 24
Anaheim at San Francisco, 8:30 p.m., if necessary

Saturday, Oct. 26
San Francisco at Anaheim, 8 p.m., if necessary

Sunday, Oct. 27
San Francisco at Anaheim, 8 p.m., if necessary

Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2002:

You have the wherewithal to make a difference this year. You often see what others don't. How you communicate could have much to do with the manner in which your message is received. Focus on the quality of your daily interactions. Day-to-day life holds the key to contentment and other possibilities. Network, and you will broaden your horizons. If you are single, you will meet a key person next summer. Roll with this relationship. If attached, nurture your loved one in the same way you would like to be taken care of. Self-expression and openness help you both relate more deeply. PISCES understands you.

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)

***** Know when to step back and allow others to run with the ball. Right now, you might have a difficult time proving yourself. Do some work or get into a project that you can do by yourself. Quit pushing quite so hard for a few days. Decide to exercise more. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Meetings prove to be fruitful. You see that others reveal more of their thoughts right now. Step forward and ask for more of what you want from a friend or associate. Remember that few people are mind readers! Stay focused at a meeting. Tonight: Paint the town red.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Stay on top of work, refusing to defer to others. You might want to take

charge,

especially if you want the end product to be a specific way. Don't push associates beyond their limits. Use more diplomacy in dealing with bosses.

TONIGHT: A late meal.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Do much needed research, which might involve computer work as well as phone calls. Others express their pleasure at your understanding. You build trust by the way you handle problems. Touch base with a child or loved one. Tonight: Where the action is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Deal with a loved one or friend individually, if you really want your message to get through. Others might make a financial demand that is uncomfortable. Say what is on your mind so that others can understand what is happening. Tonight: Make nice.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Imagine more of what you would like from an associate, friend or partner. Others seek you out, and though you can make suggestions, you might not be totally comfortable. Ask for more feedback. Share information. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Dig into work, using all your positive energy. Check out what a fax or call is offering. Research new possibilities and check with others in the know. Teamwork helps put the final touches on a project. Take a walk to clear your mind. Tonight: Get some exercise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Use self-discipline with your imagination right now. What comes up might surprise you and lead you down a new path. Be careful with suggestions that might involve a risk. You could be

sorry later

if things go this way. Tonight: Ever playful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Understand what might be going on with a family member who has been rather cantankerous at times. Honestly, have you done anything to provoke this? Play it low-key as you deal with others. Visit with family. Tonight: Head home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Keep up your end of communication, even if you want to close down or screen your calls. Important information heads your way. Don't disclose anything you're not comfortable with just yet. Return calls and e-mail. Tonight: Happo out.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Manage your finances with the finesse and insight you're capable of. Carefully consider an opportunity that involves a child or loved one who could be overly serious. Help this person see more than just his or her issues. Tonight: Treat someone to dinner.

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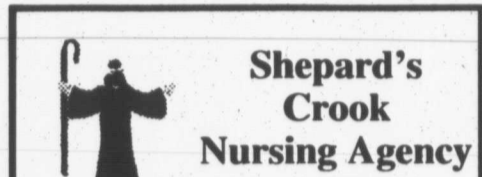
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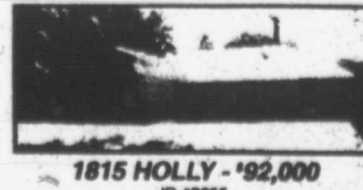
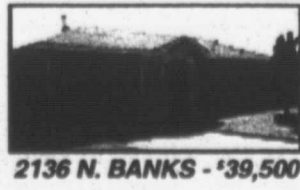
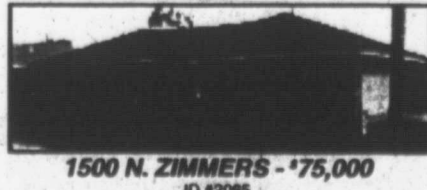
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