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The Pampa News

Suicide

Doctor writes article about patient's death,

Blast rocks Grayco plant



(Staff photo by Beth Miller Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Bob Muns, at right, Precinct 2 Constable Chris Lockridge, in cowboy hat, and two unidenti-

fied Phillips Petroleum Co. employees in hard hats stand at a blocked entrance, off of FM 2375, leading to the Grayco plant this morning while a fire caused by an explosion at the plant burns in the background.

By BEAR MILLS and BETH MILLER **Staff Writers**

LEFORS - An explosion and fire two-Petroleum Gravco booster station led to five casualties this morning.

Dispatchers from Pampa received the call shortly after 10 a.m.

Linda Haynes, community relations director for Coronado Hospital, said five incurred during the explosion. victims of the fire were brought in for treatment, with two of the five being transferred by ambulance to University Medical Center's burn unit in Lubbock at press time.

Gary McFall, a Phillips employee, was Coronado Hospital by private vehicle, with to keep the emergency room area clear. listed in critical condition through press time the fifth coming by AMT Ambulance. today. McFall and Rodney Rodriguez, listed in stable condition, were being transferred by ambulance to the Lubbock hospital.

Originally McFall, Rodriguez and Larry Love, also a fire victim, were to be transbecause the Amarillo hospital does not have Pampa were attempting to extinguish the explosion.

Haynes said the two being transported to Lubbock are the more seriously injured.

and-a-half miles west of here at the Phillips were admitted to Coronado Hospital where through press time. they were listed in stable condition with burns, Haynes said.

Gilbert Castillo, another employee at the casualties from the explosion. Grayco Plant, was treated and released from the hospital. He was the victim of a fall Kathy Beck, Gray County emergency

management coordinator, said the first alarm was received at 10:08 a.m. Four of the victims were transported to

victims was thrown 20 to 30 feet in the air, suf-

fering first- and second-degree burns on both arms, as well as first-degree burns on his face.

By 11 a.m., gas to the plant, which ported to Northwest Texas Hospital in reportedly transfers gas to larger transport Amarillo. However, Haynes said that lines, had been cut off and firefighters from entrances to the plant, in case of another

a burn unit it would not accept the three blaze. Phillips Co. emergency responders were also at the scene.

Employees from Phillips declined to answer any questions regarding the explo-Love and Salvador Valenzuela, both sion and failed to return any phone calls

> Ida Hess, with Coronado Hospital, said the facility was prepared for as many as 10

> However, by noon only half that many

had been reported.

Family members of the employees and employees who were not injured in the blast began gathering at Coronado Hospital after learning of the explosion. They were asked to wait at the front entrance of the hospital,

At least one employee of the plant Radio traffic indicated at least one of the reportedly was walking out of the plant at the time of the explosion. Although not injured, he was reportedly in shock, a family member said.

> Deputies with Gray County Sheriff's Office and Phillips Co. employees blocked



(Staff photo by Beth Miller

A fire truck and ambulance sit near the blaze at the Grayco plant this morning.

Pampa agencies assist victims of Stinnett fire

By BEAR MILLS Staff Writer

Street.

STINNETT - Cindy Leamon's dreams came true three months ago when she and husband Monty bought the home she had grown up in and moved their young fam-

Wednesday they sifted through the ashes of that dream, all that swept through the city Tuesday, destroying 21 homes.

As they stood near the pile of debris that was once their house, Cindy held her two-year-old son and leaned on the charred metal frame of their car, which was also consumed by the fire.

"I had been asleep with my kids in the back of the house,' Mrs. Leamon said. "My aunts

We got the kids up and by the personnel who were aiding victime we got to the front of the tims of the disaster. house, the smoke was so bad we couldn't see or hardly breathe."

Borger when he heard news that a no tears. People are still in shock." fire had moved into Stinnett.

ily into the residence on Stewart houses on fire on Stewart Street with houses seemingly picked at north of the high school and said, 'That's where I live," he recounted. "I got here and found a pile of was left after a huge grass fire ashes. They had already taken my wife and kids out of the area. I didn't know if they might be dead

or trapped or what." He said a neighbor finally came over to assure him his family was safe.

"I feel in shock," Mr. Leamon saved for is gone.'

Vick of the Gray County Red that's it." drove up to warn us of the fire. Cross were among the emergency

"I've been here since 5 p.m. Tuesday," Duncan said Wednes-Mr. Leamon was at work in day afternoon. "There have been

She described the scene as "I heard that there were 11 resembling a massive tornado, random by airborne debris for destruction.

Sid Aston, one of those being counseled and comforted by Duncan, said, "I was at work and my wife called to say the neighborhood behind us was on fire. I got home probably 20 minutes before my neighbor's house caught on fire. Then it caught our house.

"It went from roof to roof so said. "Everything we have ever fast you couldn't keep up with it. I got my dog and my cars and the Lynda Duncan and Vanessa clothes we were wearing and

See STINNETT, page two.



E.C. Price stands amid the rubble and ashes that was once his home, talking to Lynda Duncan, executive director of the Gray County Area chapter of the American Red Cross.

Fire captain tells jury that flammable liquids started blaze

By BETH MILLER Staff Writer

A Pampa Fire Department captain, who was one of the first to arrive on the scene of a fatal April in his opinion there was evidence of died in the fire. flammable liquids in the 1200 Charles St. blaze.

Capt. Paul Jenkins, who is now the fire department's training officer, said dark gray/black smoke was coming from an upstairs window at the residence when he arrived shortly after the fire was reported at 4:18

a.m. on April 12, 1989. Jenkins' testimony came in the trial of a civil lawsuit filed by Margaret Vernon against Allied Van

the estates of her husband, John Bryan Vernon III, 41, and Stuart

a floor furnace, which experts on her behalf have testified started the fire.

The company has denied any wrongdoing and has indicated it unintentionally set by someone believe there was one origin of the fire.'

other than its employees.

Lines Inc., and its agent M&L County jury has been hearing the ing room of the residence, Jenkins the northeast corner of the dining heat, smoke and fire don't reach the Transfer and Storage Co. of Amaril- case, which began Feb. 19, in 223rd lo. Vernon filed the lawsuit on District Court in the Gray County behalf of herself and on behalf of Courthouse. Testimony was scheduled to continue at 9 a.m. today.

Jenkins said the back door was 1989 fire, testified Wednesday that Jacob "Jake" Long, 16, who both unlocked at the Vernon residence. Vernon testified earlier this week She is seeking at least \$3 million that she escaped the burning resifor each of the deaths, claiming the dence through the front door. Jenkmoving company was negligent ins said it somewhat unusual for a because it left a box and/or paper on door to be unlocked at a house fire, and that he had gone to retrieve a pry bar to open the back door, although it was not needed.

While fire experts on behalf of fire and that was in the immediate A seven-woman, five-man Gray vicinity of a floor furnace in the liv-

were "multiple origins."

Jenkins said he was at the 1200 the fire and then again in the summer of 1990. He said another firefighter had purchased the house and was tearing the damaged parts out when he and some others dropped by to visit last summer.

noticed evidence of "multiple points" of origin."

"multiple points" indicates, Jenkins fire, could also be seen on the north believes the fire was intentionally or the plaintiff have indicated they responded, "That somebody set the wall of the dining room. He used

> Jenkins said he believed the "V" patterns to the jury. greatest portion of burning was in

of the fire was," he said.

Jenkins said the northeast corner Charles St. residence on the day of of the dining room's floor was carpet down to the hard wood charred, indicating a burn through the carpet and its pad. He said he asked. noticed about five charred places on the oak wood floor on the first level of the two-story residence. He said he also noticed baseboards on the At that point, Jenkins said he north and east walls of the dining

room that were "charred deeply." The firefighter said "V" patterns, Asked by the defense what often used to indicate the origin of a pictures of the residence to illustrate

"In a normal structure fire, the

said evidence he saw indicates there room. "That's where the hottest part floor, because heat rises," Jenkins

"How do burns get through the floor?" defense attorney Joe Hayes,

"In a normal structure fire they don't," Jenkins said. "The carpet in a normal fire just gets smoked up. It can melt if it gets hot enough, but you don't normally expect to see burns on a hard wood floor if you

have carpet and a pad.' Asked if he had ever seen burns on a hard wood floor, protected by carpet, that resulted from anything other than a flammable liquid, Jenkins said, "No sir."

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to The Pampa News by press time today.

Obituaries

CECIL HOWARD WILLIAMS

SHAMROCK - Cecil Howard Williams, 77, died Tuesday, March 5, 1991, in Shamrock. His body has been donated to science. Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. today in First Baptist Church. Arrangements are by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home of McLean.

Mr. Williams was born May 28, 1913, in Gober. He married Lillian Denton on Dec. 27, 1937, in Childress. He was a salesman for Mead's Bakery. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Shamrock.

Survivors include his wife of the home; three daughters, Charlotte Gillispie of Joshua, Doris Graham of Andrews and Cecille Williams of Shamrock; three sons, Elvie Williams of Shamrock, Michael Williams of Columbia, Mo., and Steve Williams of Dallas; two sisters, Roselyn Williams of Arlington and Lucille Stubblefield of Odessa; one brother, Robert Williams of Glendora, Calif.; 15 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Calendar of events

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

A free blood pressure check and blood sugar check is offered each Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Red Cross office at 108 N. Russell in downtown Pampa.

T. I. P. S.

Teen Issues for Parents Series will present a program on teen sexuality tonight, March 7, at 7 p.m., Gray County Annex meeting room, east Highway 60. For more information call 669-8033

GRAY CO. HISTORICAL COMMISSION Gray County Historical Commission video night, Friday, March 8, 7:30 p.m., 2356 Aspen. Guests welcome. Call White Deer Land Museum for reserva-

Fires

No fires were reported to the Pampa Fire Department during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Firefighters were responding to an explosion at the Phillips Grayco Plant south of Pampa at press time today. (See related story)

Stocks

The following grain quotation	ns are	Cabot O&G	15 7/8	NC
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Wheat2.45		Enron	54 3/8	dn 1/8
Milo3.94		Halliburton	51 5/8	dn 3/8
Com4.34		Ingersoll Rand	51 7/8	up 1/4
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Ky. Cent. Life 8 3/8 u	p 1/8	Марсо	47 1/4	up 1/4
Serfco5 1/8 d	n 1/8	Maxus	9 1/4	NC
Occidental20 u	p 1/8	McDonald's	33 7/8	up 7/8
		Mesa Ltd	2 7/8	dn 1/8
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		SPS	27 7/8	dn 1/8
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y.	Stock	Tenneco	49 7/8	up 5/8
Market quotations are furnish		Texaco	65 3/8	up 3/8
Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pamp		Wal-Mart		up 1/8
	p 3/4	New York Gold.		
	p 1/2	Silver		
Cabot	NC	West Texas Crud		

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	
Energas	
Fire	
Police (emergency)	911

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions

Adela Bichsel, White

Marie Bohlander, Pampa Pampa

Pearl Brickey, Skelly- Lefors town Pauline Cotham, Pampa Pampa

Joseph Czesnowski, rock Pampa Ollie Marie Dehls, town

Pampa Laura Eubanks, Pampa

Wheeler Joe Key, Pampa Barbara Kirkham,

Joe Morris, Pampa Lela Murrell, Pampa Estell Smith, Borger Alfred Stan Thorne, Pampa v Lavell Stephens,

Woodrow Pampa SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions Johnny Reed, Wheel Neal Boydston, Alli

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Russell

(extended care), Pampa Dismissals

Nancy Barns, Pampa

Thelma Ann Faggett,

Daniel Mahanay

Milan Mertel, Sham-

Meril Potter, Skelly-

Robert Thompson,

Saulsbury

Jackson.

Dismissals None

Police report

Wheeler

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, March 6 Police reported domestic violence in the 1100

A juvenile reported the theft or loss of special glasses for dyslexia at St. Vincent's School, 2300 N.

Jemco, 703 E. Frederic, reported a theft at the business.

Arrests WEDNESDAY, March 6

Shannda Renee Richardson, 32, Lefors, was arrested at 543 W. Brown on a charge of public

Christie Ann Williams, 20, 336 Tignor, was arrested at the residence on a warrant for assault.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents.

THURSDAY, Feb.28

Noon - An unknown vehicle collided with a legally parked 1983 Chevrolet owned by Fredi Reed, Ackerly, in the 2500 block of Perryton Pkwy. SUNDAY, March 3

9:30 p.m. - An unknown vehicle collided with a legally parked 1978 Slayton travel trailer owned by Edwin Southerland, 201 N. Faulkner, in the 1100 block of Carter.

TUESDAY, March 5

4:05 p.m. - A known vehicle collided with a 1985 Chrysler driven by Fay Coleman, Box 2597, in the 300 block of East Brown.

WEDNESDAY, March 6

8:25 a.m. - A 1981 Oldsmobile driven by Debra Brown, 2510 Charles, collided with a 1988 Chevrolet driven by Raymond Lockhart, 336 Miami, in the 1600 block of North Hobart. Brown was cited for following too closely.

DPS-Accident **TUESDAY, March 5**

4:10 p.m. - A 1983 Nissan, driven by Teddie Elrod Evans, 45, 724 N. Wells, and a 1982 Plymouth, driven by Arthur Joseph Broom, 32, Amarillo, collided 5.7 miles southwest of Pampa on an unnamed paved county road near FM 2300. Citations were issued. No injuries were reported.

Gilbert resigns as dean of local college

Larry Gilbert, dean of Clarendon Waxahachie. College-Pampa Center, has submit-Waxahachie.

Gilbert has served as dean of the Pampa Center for nine years. His Pampa Independent School District new position includes coordinating as a history teacher and coach from staff, administration and curriculum 1979 to 1981. He served as head for Navarro College - Ellis Center in football coach at Pampa High

north wall of the dining room could

However, Jenkins said charred

baseboards at that location, in his

behind and below the baseboard.

fire at the Charles Street residence

packed moving boxes, fed the fire.

Pampa Police Officer Allan Smith

In other testimony Wednesday,

Trial

Ellis Center is the off-campus ted his resignation to accept a posicenter for Navarro College of Corsi-High School from 1976 to 1979. tion with a community college in cana. It has an enrollment of 752

Gilbert, 45, was employed by the

School. He moved to Pampa from Waco where he taught at Richfield

An all-Southwest Conference receiver, he played football for Texas Tech University from 1965 to

Clarendon College officials had not named a replacement for Gilbert by press time Thursday.

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and talked to Mrs. Vernon. The officer said she told him that her husband came down the stairs with her Fire experts for the plaintiff had and then went back up in search of

testified that the "V" patterns on the the boy. However, Vernon testified earlibe caused by a "banking effect" er this week that she never said her when the fire was trying to vent husband followed her down the itself through a window and banked stairs.

Former Justice of the Peace Wayne Roberts also testified Wednesday and said he was told at opinion, could not be caused by a the hospital April 12, 1989, by a banking effect, but indicate a friend of Vernon's, Twyla Long, that flammable liquid was poured at that Mrs. Vernon told her that her huslocation because the burns are band had helped her downstairs and outside and gone back up to get

Burning to the sub floor was also illustrated by photographs, and Roberts said Long also told him Jenkins said that burning would she thought she knew what caused indicate a flammable liquid has the fire. She said that on April 11, dripped to the sub floor and burned. 1989, the moving company was at "Some type of liquid has to go the house stacking boxes and a box through before the fire gets that low. started to tumble over. She said the the fire. On a second conversation, It's just not normal," the firefighter movers readjusted that box, near the she indicated she did not want much floor furnace, which had a lamp shade and other items. Jenkins said he believed that the

Long, in testimony last week, said she does not remember offering was started by flammable liquids and thereafter ordinary com- anyone an opinion as to how the fire bustibles, including numerous started. She also testified that she never said a lamp or lamp shade in a telephone conversation that the

was in a box. said he was at the scene of the fire by plaintiff's attorney John Warner fire.

if Roberts smelled any flammable liquids at the fire scene, Roberts said, "No sir."

Testifying by video deposition Wednesday was the owner of the Charles Street house at the time of the fire. Mark Henkhaus, now of Midland, said that when he and his family resided at the 1200 Charles St. residence, they had a couch sitting about three inches from the same floor furnace, where plaintiff's experts say the fire started.

Henkhaus said the couch never caught on fire and never got too hot that it concerned him. He said there were never any problems with the floor furnace as far as he knew.

Henkhaus said he talked to Mrs. Vernon while she was in the hospital following the fire and on the first conversation she did not say anything about what might have caused of the furniture or remaining contents of the house.

"I got the impression she didn't care what I did with it," Henkhaus said.

About six weeks following the fire, Henkhaus said Vernon told him moving company had set something Asked under cross-examination on the floor furnace and it caught



Three Pampa High School students, from left, Caleb Headley, Jason Lemons and Josh Steele, leave today with teacher Barbara McCain for state finals U.I.L. competition in Houston. Headley is the Pampa representative in student congress while Lemons and Steele are both entered in foreign extemporaneous speaking and cross examination debate. Competition begins at 8 a.m. Friday at Langham Creek High School in Houston. All three qualified for state during regional competition.

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Stinnett

Aston said his family rented their home, but had no contents insurance.

"I'm lost and don't know where to start," he said. "My wife Tina and I have been married 17 years, but we are going to be starting all over again with nothing."

He credited volunteers from the Red Cross such as Duncan and Vick with giving his family any sense of hope at all.

"I don't know what I'd do without the Red Cross and people here [at Fellowship Baptist Church, which set up an emergency dining hall for victims]," he said.

E.C. Price was another who lost his home. As he waded through the rubble, he was comforted by Dun-He told her he had spent two

hours watering his house down Tuesday afternoon to prevent it from burning But when the flying, burning

debris hit his roof, all his efforts proved in vain. this house," he said. "Our garage

three water hoses. We don't know es.

Monty Leamon stands near the remains of his home. All that was left standing was a brick entry way. His wife and children were asleep inside the house when the fire hit, but were awakened by concerned relatives moments before the blaze would have overcome them. insurance won't replace the memo- you see old men just wandering

ries that went up.'

from departments all over the Panhandle unsuccessfully attempt to "I had 64 years of memories in save the 21 houses, said, "There the Salvation Army and Borger were so many firefighters here, but Kmart employees association are caught fire and it was too much for not enough to save all these hous-

what we're going to do now. We feel lucky we had insurance, but happen to you," Vick said. "Then lives.

around (in the rubble). They won Vick, who watched firefighters ever be able to replace all that they have lost."

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In addition to the Red Cross, accepting cash and goods that will be directed to the fire victims "You don't think this could ever as they attempt to rebuild their

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.

RAY'S BODY Shop moved to 413 W. Foster, 669-9481, Adv.

2 BEDROOM house for quick sale \$7500. 665-3027. Adv.

THE STAFF of Michelles Beauty Salon, has changed locations. Kim, Song, Rhonda, Linda, and Louise, have joined the staff of Salon Cream of the Crop. For appointments please call, 669-9871, Grooming. Mona 428 N. Christy. 665-3509, or 669-1714. 500 N. Ballard. Adv.

IMMEDIATE OPENING for 2 stylist at K.J's Beauty Salon. Call

REMOUNT SPECIAL - This week only. 30% off mountings, 40% off diamonds in store financing. Free estimates. Goldkraft Jewelers, 1334 N. Hobart. 669-1244. Adv.

TANNING SPECIAL Come tan with us. Hours flexible. Shear Elegance, 400 N. Cuyler, 669-9579.

LOST LARGE Leather Keychain with GM Keys on Mary Ellen street. Call 665-0450. Adv.

open 7:00-10:00. Grocery, deli, beer, soft drinks. 1301 S. Hobart. FREE FLEA and tick dip with

BETTY EPPERSON income tax service. Very reasonable rates. 665-8258. Evening and Saturday appointments. Adv.

APRIL 7th - Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd will be offering an 8:30 a.m. Worship Service every Sunday. More information, 665-0842. Adv.

NAIL TECH Lanee' Stubblefield special this month only. Sculptured nails \$25, manicures \$10, and pedicures \$15. Great prices with Lanee' at Hair Junction, 665-2233. Adv.

CANYON IS back Friday March 8 at the City Limits, Tickets avail-SADIE HAWKINS Store now able at the Club and The Music Shoppe. Reservations suggested.

> FOR SALE - Kenneth Box's Sports Calendar Company, advertising for High School sports, 669-3083. Adv.

DANCE TO Anderson, Flesher & Key, Saturday, March 9th, Knight Lites, 618 W. Foster. Reservations.

665-6482. Adv. 3 BEDROOM unfurnished rent house, \$250 monthly, 669-6294. Adv.

Weather focus

less than 10 mph. Friday, mostly sunny with a high in the mid 50s and northerly winds 10-15 mph.

tonight and mostly sunny Friday. Cooler east of the mountains tonight. Lows tonight lower 20s northern Panhandle to mid 30s far west and near 40 Big Bend valleys. Highs Friday lower 50s northern Panhandle to near 70 far west and mountains to near 80 Big Bend.

tonight. Partly cloudy Friday. Lows tonight in the mid 30s northwest to mid 40s southeast. Highs Friday in the upper 50s to lower 60s.

and cool tonight. Partly cloudy and cool Friday with isolated showers. Lows tonight in the upper 30s Hill Country to 40s mid sections and 50s to near 60 coastal bend and Rio Grande plains and valley. Highs Friday in the 60s except 70s valley.

Saturday through Monday West Texas - No rain is expect-

ed. Highs in the upper 50s Saturday and Sunday and mid 60s Monday. Lows from near 30 to the middle 30s. South Plains, no rain is expect-Tonight, mostly clear with a low ed. Highs in the 60s. Lows in the Lower Texas Rio Grande Valley near 25 degrees and variable winds mid 30s to near 40. Permian Basin, and plains, partly cloudy Saturday Concho valley, Pecos Valley no through Monday. Low Saturday rain is expected. Highs mid 60s to and Sunday in the 50s to near 60. West Texas - Mostly clear expected. Highs in the mid to upper near 80 Monday. Southeast Texas region, no rain is expected. Highs in the 70s lowlands with 60s in the mountains. Lows mostly 40s lowlands and 30s mountains.

North Texas – No rain expected. Temperatures will be near seasonal normals Saturday and Sunday, warming Monday. Lows in the and cold tonight. Partly to mostly upper 30s to low 40s Saturday and Sunday, warming to the upper 40s Monday. Highs in the 60s Saturday and Sunday, and in the 70s Mon-

in the 50s. High Saturday and Sun-

ly cloudy Monday. Low near 50 Saturday and Sunday. Low Monday in the 60s. High Saturday and Sunday near 70 and in the 70s Monday. near 70. Lows in the lower to mid Low Monday in the 60s. High Sat-40s. Far West Texas, no rain is urday and Sunday in the 70s and 60s. Lows in the 40s. Big Bend and the upper coast, partly cloudy Saturday and Sunday. Mostly cloudy Monday. Low Saturday and Sunday in the 40s. Low Monday near 50. High Saturday and Sunday in the 60s. High Monday near 70.

> Oklahoma - Variable cloudiness sunny on Friday. Lows tonight lower 20s Panhandle to around 40 extreme southeast. Highs Friday in

New Mexico - Tonight colder west and south. A little warmer in

LOCAL FORECAST

REGIONAL FORECAST

North Texas - Mostly cloudy

South Texas - Mostly cloudy

EXTENDED FORECAST

BORDER STATES

South Texas - Hill Country and statewide. Decreasing cloudiness in South Central Texas, partly cloudy the east. Fair skies over the west. Saturday and Sunday. Mostly Lows from 5 to 20 mountains and cloudy Monday. Low Saturday and northwest to the low and mid 30s in Sunday near 40 Hill Country to 40s the southeast. Friday partly cloudy South Central Texas. Low Monday northeast. Mostly sunny over the day in the 60s. High Monday in the the west and north. Highs from 40 70s. Texas Coastal Bend, partly to 55 mountains and far north to the cloudy Saturday and Sunday. Most-, 60s across the southern lowlands.

Voter reaction crucial to proposed state income tax



Cameras surround Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock while he announces his support for a state income tax Wednesday in the Senate

say Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock's proposal for an income tax won't become law them out of office.

What it will take is a perception on the floor of the House that voting if we have 30 or 40 votes in the tax) in the general public," she said. for an income tax will not spell House for a personal income tax,' political death," said Rep. James he said. Hury, D-Galveston.

Wednesday, saying state personal corporate earnings tax. That would and corporate income taxes should be coupled with property tax relief. But an income tax is needed to pay for schools, more prisons and

"I have every belief that this will going to work very hard for its passage," Bullock said.

increased welfare services, he said.

'It was a difficult decision imagine most Texans do - any type down in my heart, deep down in my rich and poor school districts. heart, that it's the right thing to do for Texas," he said.

Bullock, a Democrat, said he as "slim and none." hadn't "thought of those political

AUSTIN (AP) - State lawmakers consequences that will take place." But others did:

House Speaker Gib Lewis, D-Fort unless members of the Legislature Worth, said only a small minority of are convinced that voters won't toss his chamber's 150 members would vote for an income tax today.

generate \$2 billion in 1992 and \$6 billion in 1993, he said, predicting that such a levy could bring reductions of up to 35 percent in property taxes in 1993.

Bullock said his proposal would pass before the year is out ... I'm exempt the first \$25,000 on the per- business groups began indicating almost everything that can be and is sonal income tax and exempt retirement income.

because I personally dislike- and I projected 1992-93 budget deficit of professional services. \$4.6 billion, plus a Texas Supreme of new taxes. But I also know deep Court order to equalize funding for

Gov. Ann Richards described the possibilities for legislative approval

While declining to flatly rule out cent.

an income tax, Richards said she spending and a review of all taxes first imposed a state sales tax. by a panel of experts before making any decisions about new revenue.

"I can tell you that I detect no "At this time, I question seriously sympathy or support (for an income

"We must tell the people of this state that we have done everything Bullock proposed a 5 percent per- we know how to do, short of any that might impose a hardship on the public," Richards said.

> Asked what she would do if the point. expert study recommends an income that decision when the time comes."

Bullock's push came after some their support for corporate and per- taxed in any other state. sonal income taxes over other levies State leaders are grappling with a - such as new taxes on businesses or tional amendment to require voter

> While Texas is one of the few rate already is 6 1/4 percent. Add on city and county levies, and many

first wants to see audits of agency today to 1961, when the Legislature

He said 44 states currently levy a personal income tax and 46 tax corporate income. Lewis said that even-

tually Texas will have to join them. "I don't see any alternatives but that eventually we will have to go into an income tax." Lewis said. "I'm personally against it," he said. Bullock dropped his bombshell sonal income tax and an 8 percent additional taxation or new revenues. But "when we get down to voting on it, if it gets to the floor I will probably be supportive of it at that

Before lawmakers seriously contax, Richards replied, "We will face sider an income tax, Lewis added, "I think you're going to have some omnibus bill that's going to include

> Opponents demanded a constituapproval of an income tax.

'Revenue increases in the last states with neither a personal nor several years have led to spending corporate income tax, the sales tax increases, not smaller deficits ... The problem is unbridled growth in new spending programs," said Rep. Ted Texans pay sales taxes of 8 1/4 per- Kamel, R-Tyler, one of 24 coauthors of the amendment.

Fort Hood soldiers to return home from gulf duty Friday

and reunion centers are being read- Hood soldiers still in the Gulf 40-year tradition of a "capable ied today for the expected arrival of region. about 900 troops returning from

Saudi Arabia. 1st Cavalry Division and 200 mem- November. bers of the 2nd Armored Division U.S. forces from the Persian Gulf, support functions. the Army said Wednesday night.

uled to be airlifted Friday into lier in the day that the president may Robert Gray Army Airfield, where travel to "various communities" to day to leave Fort Hood for the they are to be met by III Corps greet returning Persian Gulf War National Training Center at Fort Commanding Gen. Richard G. veterans.

The returning troops are among Seven hundred members of the Saudi Arabia from August through look forward to returning home.

The units provided heavy armor, are part of the first withdrawal of Apache helicopter airpower and

President Bush did not say so last The troops were tentatively sched- night, but the White House said ear-

In his speech to Congress, Bush training. No families will be allowed at the set no schedule for completion of airfield, the Army said in a state- the Desert Storm withdrawal - more Hood since Dec. 27. than 539,000 troops were deployed After the soldiers have turned in - and indicated the American militheir weapons and are processed tary presence in the Persian Gulf California desert, there was no word back into the post, they are expected would remain would remain. He on what might happen after the to receive two weeks off. When they envisioned American participation month-long session in light of the return, they are to prepare for the in joint exercises with ground and cease-fire in the Middle East.

FORT HOOD (AP) - Reception arrival of the remainder of the Fort air forces, as well as maintaining a naval presence.'

> But for the bulk of the troops, 24,000 Fort Hood soldiers sent to Bush's remarks meant they could

Pentagon officers have told The Associated Press that as many as 15,000 troops would be back in the United States within one week.

Meanwhile, 400 to 500 Mississippi National Guardsmen of the 155th Armored Brigade prepared Wednes-Irwin, Calif., for a month of desert

The guardsmen had trained at Fort

Although the brigade was scheduled to continue its training in the

PHS students to compete in Citizen Bee

competition in Amarillo Saturday. Brandon Wood, Dean Dreher and Joshua Seabourne will be com- Washington, D.C., for the national peting against other top students Citizen Bee competition. First place from throughout the Panhandle winner at national will receive a tition, he said. Saturday at Amarillo College, said \$12,000 scholarship, second place Floyd Sackett, PHS Citizen Bee wins an \$8,000 scholarship and third Citizens Bee will take place with

Citizens Bee will receive a \$500 be awarded at the national level, economics, geography and current

Three Pampa High School stu- compete at the state level in Housdents will be representing their ton in April. The second and third have been reviewing the required school at the regional Citizens Bee place regional winners will also material since December, Sackett advance to state, Sackett said.

Pampa's Citizen Bee participants said. All three will participate in a The state winner will go to voluntary written exam Saturday at 1 p.m. The exam is like that which will be given at the national compe-

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savings bond and the opportunity to according to Sackett. Former joint chiefs head praises high-tech

chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff says America's investment in high-tech weaponry has paid off in

the Persian Gulf. "Clearly it will give the services more arguments for maintaining our appropriations," Adm. William J. Crowe Jr. said Wednesday during a breakfast speech sponsored by a local bank.

"Many of the consumables, weapons and supplies that we were using, were bought in the Reagan administration," Crowe said.

"President Reagan was criticized for many of those expenditures," Crowe said. "I think they have now paid off and more or less justified some of President Reagan's policies," he added.

Crowe, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1985-89 during the Reagan administration, commended the success of the United States forces in the month-long war with Iraq.

He said he thought the Soviet Union is "concerned" at the poor performance of the weaponry it gave or sold to Iraq and the

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(PG)

'We've had a presence in the Persian Gulf since 1948, We've been there without the British since 1972. Crowe also predicted that as the I'm confident we'll keep the Middle East Forces Naval Command - the war with Iraq, the United States command that I had - there," he

> Crowe served as commander of the Middle East Force in Bahrain

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Opinion

Official is banking on short recession

The economy should sputter for another three to six months, but then should pick up. That's the prognosis of Robert H. Smith, president of Security Pacific Corporation. He made his prediction in his keynote address recently to the inaugural gathering of the Orange County Forum in California.

Smith's lietmotif was the importance of sensible government policy toward the economy, banks in particular. There is now "a realization on the part of government that this country has to have a viable economic system - one that can attract capital."

For the first time, government seems to realize that banks should be allowed to do business across state lines, as proposed by Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady. This would give banks "the opportunity to produce many products for the lowest cost, such as discount brokerages." Mergers would also bring benefits to customers. If just two banks combined, it would "save 15 to 20 percent of operating expenses."

The banking industry's own inefficiences came in for criticism. But "some difficultues have brought a business discipline to banking," Smith said. "We must be the most efficient. We must deliver what the customer wants, not what we want. It has to be run like any other business." Assuming that government sensibly revises its regulations, when the current crisis has ended, "We will also see a stronger system overall: better capitalized, better managed. Communities will be better served. Banks will be back to basics – the basic values, the basic standards, the basic principles."

Government must be very careful in reforming its regulations. First, it must not impose capital requirements on banks that are too stringent. Smith warned that an industry that cannot raise capital in the normal ways - through bonds, etc. - will be able to raise capital only through selling off assets. "When you reduce assets, you don't make loans," he added. And without loans, you don't have the money necessary to get the economy moving again.

Second, government must shed the "remnants of the excesses of the last decade," which brought us the savings and loans crisis, among other problems. Government's policy of insuring any S&L, regardless of its stability, led to "a period in which risk and reward got out of balance. The free flow of funding sources provided by government" brought "too much availability of money chasing too few rewards."

Third, we need "a more genuinely efficient regulating system." Smith said that Security Pacific now has four regulators overseeing its actions, and "when one gives a report, all three have to be present – a very inefficient system."

As Smith indicated, the banking industry is doing its part to make itself more efficient and stable. Now we must make sure the government reforms help and don't hinder American banking.

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Triumphs of mass transit?

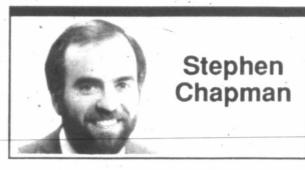
Americans favor mass transit the same way they cherish the Ten Commandments: They never let their reverence for the theory get in the way of their aversion to the practice. Everyone thinks it's vital to have a clean, reliable, extensive system to public transportation, and hardly anyone wants to use it.

That attitude has been the main-obstacle to federal transit programs, which are to successful policy what the National Hockey League is to pacifism. The Bush administration, drawing the reasonable lesson from the failure, has proposed a smaller federal role. It is opposed by people who regard the automobile as our own calf, a false idol seducing us from the true way.

Unfortunately, if you want what mass transit numbers of people where they want to go cheaply, quickly and conveniently - you want the automobile. Subways, trolleys and buses have every virtue except the crucial one: the ability to attract passengers. In most places - the biggest cities are an exception getting drivers to ride public transportation requires bribes large enough to impress a Chicago alderman.

Baltimore and Washington, D.C., among the "sucbuilt gleaming new rail lines, but found the only way to lure customers was to set fares below cost. They lose at least \$12 for every new rider they entice. In Pittsburgh and Atlanta, which also have new systems, the loss is about \$30 per new passenger.

At these rates, you don't need to build a rail system. A lot of auto commuters would agree to Pittsburgh and Atlanta to carry them. Heck, a lot of them would probably be happy to quit their jobs and stay off the street entirely.



Bush's antidote is pretty mild. The Department of Transportation currently provides money for capital expenses (buying buses and subway cars, advocates demand - a means of transporting large building rail networks) and for operating costs (buying fuel, paying workers). The administration wants to get rid of operating subsidies entirely - on the same general idea as parents agreeing to buy their daughter a car, as long as she's willing to pay for the gas and insurance.

It would increase funds for capital subsidies, with the condition that states and cities would have to pay a bigger share than they do now. This would cessful" experiments in expanding transit systems, have the benefit of discouraging them from squandering large sums of federal money on schemes they'd never dream of buying with their own money - though phasing them out too would be even better.

Getting rid of operating subsidies, however, is a good start. Local transit officials have reacted as if Bush had ordered them to Kuwait to clear minefields, but the hardship should be manageable. walk to and from work for the \$60 a day it costs Until 20 years ago, incredible as it sounds, transit of novel sources like fares. Nowadays, Uncle Sam pays nearly two-thirds of the tab.

That may sound find to anyone who thinks federal money sprouts in Washington like crabgrass, while local money has to be extracted with dental tools from unwilling citizens. But besides the unpleasant fact that federal revenues also come from heavily-burdened taxpayers, the federal money has been wasted in larger proportions than the local funds used to be.

William Shughart II, a University of Mississippi economist who studied the matter with colleague Mwangi Kimenyi for the Urban Mass Transportation: Administration, says the main result of operating subsidies is to inflate operating costs - and federal subsidies have a far bigger effect than state or local ones.

Where does the money go? To transit workers, for one. Between 1970 and 1982, the wages of drivers rose 40 percent faster than inflation, while their productivity fell 20 percent. The federal dollars also allow local officials to keep fares agreeably low, sparing the people who benefit from mass transit the indignity of paying for it.

All these drawbacks are usually justified as a small price to pay for cutting pollution, or relieving highway congestion, or escaping the tyranny of General Motors, or crippling OPEC or something. Unfortunately, as federal expenditures have grown, mass transit has steadily shrunk in popularity, leaving all those evils intact.

Federal money has bought a lot of empty subways and buses for taxpayers to admire through their car windows. The Bush administration has done the favor of acknowledging that Yogi Berra's agencies had to cover their own operating costs out reasoning applies to mass transit as well as baseball. "If the people don't want to come out to the park," he said, "nobody's going to stop 'em."



Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, March 7, the 66th day of 1991. There are 299 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 7, 1926, the first successful trans-Atlantic radio-telephone conversation took place, between New York and London.

On this date: In 1849, horticulturist Luther Burbank was born in Lancaster,

In 1875, composer Maurice Ravel was born in Cibourne, France. In 1876, Alexander Graham Bell received a patent for his telephone.

In 1911, the United States sent 20,000 troops to the Mexican border as a precaution in the wake of the Mexican Revolution.

In 1936, Adolf Hitler ordered his troops to march into the Rhineland, thereby breaking the Treaty of Versailles and the Locarno Pact.

In 1945, during World War II, U.S. forces crossed the Rhine River south of Cologne, Germany.

A Gulf War briefing glossary

A television viewer's glossary of terms, phrases and names for watching the war:

BRIEFING: Where high military officers meet with the press to tell them the least they can get by with on what's happening in the war.

Example: "General Swatzkoft, what is your sense on how the air war is going?"

"Yes." FRIENDLY FIRE: Where our guys kill entirely by mistake. "Stuff happens" is said to be the primary cause.

BAGHDAD: A former city. SMART BOMBS: Hit their targets. Cost \$1

million each. DUMB BOMBS: Miss their targets. Cost \$ 1 million each.

WOLF BLITZER: How the Giants stopped Joe Montana and the '49s in the NFC Championship THE IRAQI VIEW OF THE GENEVA CON-

VENTION: What Geneva conventions? TERRORISTS: An ex-wife from hell.

HOLY WAR: As opposed to an unholy war, where God really doesn't care who wins.

NO BLOOD FOR OIL: It's either cash or credit card.

GAS MASK: Often needed for protection in a



tent full of soldiers.

NOSSIR ARAFAT: Yassar's twin brother. RIGHT ON SCHEDULE: How President Bush describes the war effort, his morning coffee and his dog Millie's trips to the Rose Garden to poo-poo.

NEW WORLD ORDER: Us and them. New WORLD ORDER: We and they. SCUD: There goes the neighborhood.

PATRIOT: Any guy in a bar who says, "We ought to nuke them SOBs!' REPUBLICAN GUARD: Elite Iraqi soldiers.

They get fed TWICE a week. BERNARD SHAW: First television anchor man to cover the beginning of a war live from under a

PETER ARNETT: Uncleared by Iraqi military.

THE BLACK SEA: Previously known as the Persian Gulf.

ALLAH: THE BIG GUY. Lord of the Sand. Keeper of the Universe. Ruler of the ALL things. Who Saddam Hussein thinks he really is.

SORTIE: Female attack on a shopping mall. FUNDAMENTALIST: Fancy name for nutcakes with explosives.

HOW JOHN MADDEN WOULD DESCRIBE THE WAR: See this bridge? Boom! See this scud missile launcher. Pow!

MILITARY EXPERT: Somebody who knows the Boxer Rebellion had nothing to do with underwear. KING HUSSEIN: Also known as The Sheik of

BEST EXCHANGE AT A BRIEFING: "Generally speaking, General Swartzkoft ..."

To which Gen. Swartzkoft replied, "I always speak generally.' CARPET BOMBING: When the B-52s come in

and the shag hits the fan. ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER: A taxi driver in New York with the good sense to hide a

pistol under his feet. THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT: Where proposed budget cuts go to die.

ALLIES: Name one.

New crops help American farmers

By ROBERT WALTERS

of the plant is jojoba, but it's prozona. Its versatile oil is used in confats but the highest level of unsaturatsumer products ranging from hair ed fats of any edible vegetable oil. shampoo to automotive lubricants.

typical of the non-traditional crops sumption by the Food and Drug that offer the nation's farmers the Administration in 1985, the oil quickprospect of diversifying their output, ly became a popular import item in enhancing their productivity, competing more effectively in the interna- 152,000 metric tons valued at \$64 tional agricultural market and increasing their income.

Those opportunities could be espe- from Canada. cially timely because President Bush now is proposing - and Congress then soared, from 50,000 in 1988 to as might well accept - substantial reduc- much as 200,000 in 1989. Produced tions in many of the subsidies the fed- from crops now grown in the Northeral government long has paid farmers west, Great Plains and Southeast, who grow traditional crops.

A recent and striking success with non-traditional production involves a crop with the unfortunate name of the crops the Agriculture Department

oil-rich seeds in Europe and Asia, it CAVE CREEK, Ariz. - The name marily as a forage and cover crop.

nounced "ho-ho-ba." It grows wild rapeseed oil appealed to health-conand in abundance here in Cave Creek, scious consumers concerned about but it's carefully cultivated in con-their blood cholesterol levels because trolled quantities elsewhere in Ari- it had the lowest level of saturated

Renamed canola and formally Perhaps most important, jojoba is designated as safe for human conthis country. By, 1988, more than million - almost three times as high as in 1987 - were imported, primarily cants, plastics and pharmaceuticals.

> Domestic acreage planted in canola canola oil has gained wide consumer acceptance in less than a decade.

Among the other non-traditional rape plant. Although grown for its says have similar growth potential:

was long raised in North America pri- limited quantities in the Northwest industry. It also can be used as a plasproducts ranging from paint to pharmaceuticals.

• Kenaf, a fiber plant grown in states with warm climates, from Florida to California, can be used to produce newsprint, carpet backing, chicken litter, fire logs and roofing

· Lasquerella, a small, bushy plant that grows wild in the Southwest, has seeds whose oil can be used in lubri-

· Guayule, a shrub native to the Southwest desert, is a source of natural rubber that can be used in the manufacture of numerous products. It also produces wax, cork and fiber.

Other such crops range from crambe, a plant grown in limited quantities in Indiana, that can be a source of high-protein meal for beef cattle, to meadowfoam, a plant especially suited to the Northwest whose oil is similar

Industrial rapeseed, grown in to that of the jojoba shrub.

The annual domestic production of and Midwest, has the potential to be a oil from the jojoba plant, native to the Canadian farmers realized that high protein substitute for the fish Mojave and Sonoran Deserts of Arimeal required by the aquaculture zona and California, was only 5 metric tons as recently as the mid 1970s, but ticizer, lubricant or component of now it is approaching 600 metric tons.

Jojoba farming boomed in the early 1980s when it was promoted as a tax shelter and the oil sold for \$200 per gallon. Today, with no tax advantages available, the oil's price ranges from \$25 to \$40 per gallon.

Commercial jojoba farming operations in this country cover 40,000 cultivated acres, most of them in Arizona and more than 8,000 acres in the state's Hyder Valley. In addition, the plant grows naturally not only here in Cave Creek but in Mesa, Globe and other communities around the state.

The valuable oil - very similar in composition to sperm whale oil of an earlier era - is pressed from acornsized, coffee-colored beans. About 90 percent of it goes into shampoo, skin care and cosmetics products, but it is also is used as an additive in automotive motor oil and transmission fluids.

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Ah, the leaves, the grass, the winds - you can tell spring is near

It's easy for Pampa area residents to realize that spring can't be too far around the corner: the warm winds and the dust have arrived to shake us – almost literally – from our complacency about the relatively mild winter we've experienced.

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But the winds reveal a sometimes hidden aspect engrained in the habits of too many of us who still feel we have to toss our trash out our car and pickup windows instead of waiting to get home so the trash can be placed where it belongs - in trash containers.

In addition to the leaves, grass, small twigs, tumbleweeds and, of course, the seemingly ever-present dust blowing down our streets are a vast array of other wind-blown materials: sheets of paper; paper sacks; paper and Styrofoam plates, sandwich containers and cups; beer and soft-drink aluminum cans; cigarette packages; candy wrappers; and numerous other such

And, with the winds blowing as they did Tuesday, I noticed an item which seems to be growing in popularity for those who still haven't adopted an environmentally conscious, anti-litter mind-set: plastic bags. In all their varieties, from

scuttled along the streets and across yards and tossed to wrap around bushes, tree limbs and power lines or to lodge against fences.

Around the Texas Panhandle, especially at this time of year, one can expect to have to dodge windblown leaves and dust, even small grain-sized rocks. But, really, do we also have to endure all the various man-made trash items carelessly discarded? We should be looking forward to the bursts of color in greens, yellows, reds, oranges, pinks and purples – but those colors should come from grass, trees, shrubbery and flowers, not from plastics and papers.

We can only hope that the upcoming generations will be more concerned with this land's appearance than the ones before.

I saw some evidence for that hope Saturday morning while I was helping to judge practice UIL journalism contests at Pampa High School. During a break from mind. Probably discarded food, judging the news writing entries, I stepped into the home economics room, where there were some refreshments awaiting the judges.

After I had eaten, I stood up to toss away my plate, napkin and soft small ones to large, they were being drink can, heading over to a row of

About

By Larry D. Hollis Managing Editor

four large plastic bags. I tossed my items into the first bag I came to, only to notice as my discards dropped into the bag that in the bottom were only aluminum soft-drink cans. I should have realized that there wouldn't be that many bags for the trash; there weren't that many of us judges to necessitate four trash bags.

I stepped back and then noticed the signs placed in front of the bags one for cans, one for glass, one for paper and another for something else which has slipped this aging though I won't swear to it.

Anyway, it was pleasant to see that our students are being taught to get used to separating their trash. That's something all of us may have to become acquainted with during the oncoming years as we're forced to deal reasonably

with our trash and adopt the concept of recycling.

In their continuing efforts to become more involved with the public they serve and protect, we have seen members of the Pampa Police Department provide us with McGruff the Crime Prevention Dog, entertaining while educating our school children; the Ident-A-Kid project, to help parents keep records in case they ever have to search for missing kids; and Neighborhood Watch and Crime Stoppers, aiding citizens to realize their own responsibilities in battling crime in our community.

Recently the policemen undertook another project, in cooperation with Tralee Crisis Center. Each patrol car will be provided with two stuffed teddy bears to be used to help calm children experiencing

traumatic situations and, also, to help improve relationships between the police and children. We had an article about the project in last Friday's edition of this newspaper.

Well, our policemen and policewomen have undertaken another project. The department has purchased tapes for the officers to use to learn to speak and understand Spanish. The officers can borrow the tapes and use them, when they have time, to become better able to help our Hispanic residents.

Generally, now, when an officer encounters a Hispanic who doesn't speak English, the officer has to wait for an interpreter to arrive. As the police officers spend more time. with the tapes, that problem may become less of a hindrance to their efforts to better serve our Hispanic residents

In another area of public service, we certainly ought to mention the handicapped access ramp the Pampa Post Office erected last fall.

It was quite a project, as those of us who watched it progress during its construction can attest. The ramp was a project that had been mentioned as a needed improvement to the building, and we were glad to see the Post Office provided it. The

ramp is a welcome addition for those confined to wheel chairs or

having to use crutches and walkers. We hope to see more buildings realizing the need to serve our handicapped citizens.

I will readily be the first to admit that I'm not a golfer and probably never will be.

But earlier this week, after having heard others talk about it for months, I finally drove out Tuesday to view the Hidden Hills Public Golf Course. Despite the high wind, there were some loyal golf fanatics out on the course.

With spring on its way, the course personnel are at work getting the greens into shape. Sprinklers were on, with the winds really spreading the water across the grass on several of the greens. And though brown is a mighty prevalent color for grass here at this time of . year, already some of the greens are beginning to live up to their name.

There are a number of trees planted around the course, and we look forward to seeing them grow over the coming years to add more beauty to Hidden Hills. In a few more years, it should be quite a beauty spot - even for those of us who do not play golf.

Policy makers watch for change in consumer spending after war's end

waiting to see whether spending on offices. homes and cars rebounds now that the Persian Gulf War is over.

quick end to the recession are possibility that stronger consumer clutching at faint signs of a rebound in those two key consumer sectors, although they concede their anecdo-dence that Greenspan is closely tal evidence could turn out to be watching car and home sales for

Greenspan told members of ments of the economy lead the way Congress on Wednesday that he was out of recessions, and analysts don't lowing the end of the war that cusent.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Washing- tomer traffic had picked up in auto ton policy-makers are anxiously showrooms and in real estate on sales have remained bleak.

While cautioning against reading too much into these preliminary So far, policy-makers hoping for a reports, he said they did "raise the demand may be emerging."

Economisu it is not a coincisigns of a turnaround. Traditionally, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan these two interest rate-sensitive seg-

So far, however, the actual reports peace has returned.

In January, new home sales fell 8 1/2 years, while sales of existing homes dropped 7 percent.

The initial news for February hasn't been much better. Sales of cars and light trucks fell 8.9 percent in the latter part of the month from the same period a

But Greenspan noted Wednesday that all of this information came while the country was at war. He encouraged by reports last week fol-believe this time will be any differ-said the key to the future lies in spending decisions made now that

12.3 percent to their lowest level in fire in the gulf provides mixed sig- April-June quarter.

A weekend survey by USA Today suggested that the end of the war may not revive consumer spending. polled said the end of the war would He said the overall economy does make them more willing to spend not normally begin to show

However, a Washington Post-ABC News poll published Wednes- recover. day said that 71 percent of 1,215 positive effect on the nation's economy.

Consumer sentiment is considered late consumer borrowing. crucial to getting the country out of the recession because consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of total economic activity.

A sampling of consumer senti- casting that the nation will emerge addition, banks, concerned about ment taken since last week's cease- from the recession sometime in the rising numbers of bad loans, are

> However, private analysts say that forecast may be optimistic.

Allen Sinai, chief economist of the Boston Co., noted that home Only 27 percent of the 802 people sales were still falling in January. improvement until four to six months after home sales start to

people polled said they believed recession could well last until midthe end of the war would have a summer or later. He said the Fed March, a view he said Greenspan will likely be forced to cut interest apparently shares. rates once or twice more to stimu-

Some analysts worry that consumers are so heavily burdened by

The Bush administration is fore- less of where interest rates go. In tightening up their own lending standards.

> A trade group, the American Financial Services Association, reported Wednesday that personal bankruptcies climbed 16 percent last year to 718,107, their biggest increase since 1986.

But David Wyss, an economist with DRI-McGraw Hill, said he believed that consumer purchases of For this reason, Sinai said the autos and other big-ticket items would start to show signs of life in

'He is basically telling the market that this recession was caused by the war, the war is over and therefore he thinks the recession is going to end debt that they may not be willing to without further prodding from the take on further obligations, regard- Fed," Wyss said.

Christian comic coming to Amarillo

AMARILLO - Mike Warnke, an internationally renowned Christian comedian evangelist who is an ex-Santanic high priest, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at San Jacinto Baptist Church in Amarillo.

A \$3 suggested donation will be taken at the door and a love offering will be received during the service to help with expenses.

Warnke has been called a renegade, a radical and bizarre. When he speaks, he says what is on his mind and sometimes it is blunt and impacting. This year alone, Warnke will perform in concert at least 200 times in front of an estimated half a million people.

Warnke Ministries employs 15 full-time staff members. Part of these employees are the concert productions staff who handle Warnke's concert bookings, radio buying and publicity as well as promoting 15 to 18 concerts a month. He travels from his home base of Burgin, Ky., spending two months at a time on the road.

His evangelistic career began after his first book The Satan Seller published in 1972. He has spoken in most states as well as speaking in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Denmark and

Warnke has appeared on numerous television programs and on radio interviews.

He has a bachelor's degree in Christian counseling and a master's degree in education from Valley Christian University.

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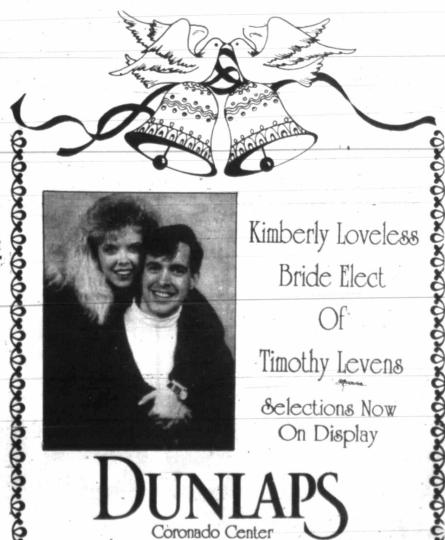
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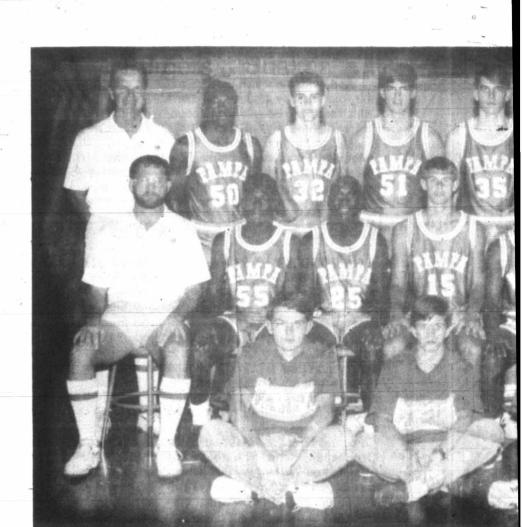




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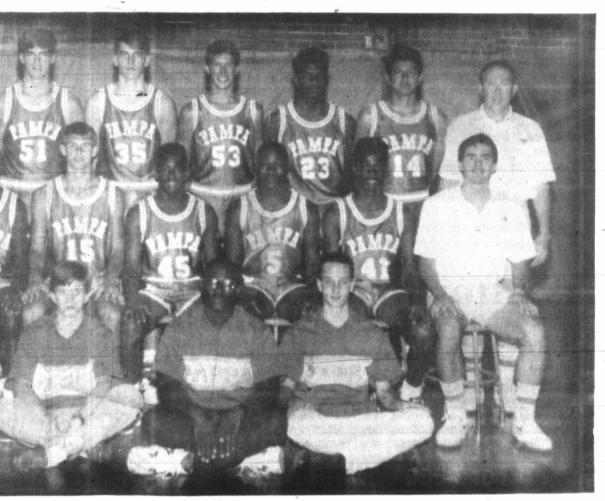
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Dr. Timothy Quill sits in his office in Rochester, N.Y., Wednes-

Doctor prescribes sleeping pills, then writes of patient's suicide

By DANIEL Q. HANEY **AP Science Writer**

BOSTON (AP) -'A doctor prescribed sleeping pills for a cancer patient so she could kill herself, then recounted the suicide in an extraordinary signed article that impressed others.

The case is the latest in a series of incidents in which doctors have participated to varying degrees in the deaths of patients, but rarely have doctors openly described such participation.

In the essay in today's New England Journal of Medicine, Dr. Timothy E. Quill of the University of Rochester described how he prescribed sleeping pills, and told the patient how many she needed to kill herself, when she could no longer stand the pain of her acute myelomonocytic leukemia and wanted to die.

both legally and ethically.

ine to a morally defensible role for a long-term cure.

However, Dr. Nancy Dickey, a fer unspeakably in the process." trustee of the American Medical much involvement.

the right to choose the moment of and told her how to use them. our departure," she said. "The not assist in achieving that goal."

patient, whom he identified only as wrote. Diane, to bring the discussion of death and suffering into the open.

interview. "I hope this will cause own terms until her death." doctors who take care of severely these situations."

Several experts said Quill acted Diane, his patient of eight years, and died at home. that she had a 1-in-4 chance of sur-

period of treatment and would suf- he would investigate.

die." he said.

"We don't get to choose the At Diane's request, and after he he did not know, troubled some physicians and moment of our arrival into this, was sure she understood her deciworld, and I don't believe we have sion, Quill prescribed barbiturates hooked an Alzheimer's victim to a

> "I wrote the prescription with an AMA suggests that physicians will uneasy feeling about the boundaries the press of a button. He was I was exploring - spiritual, legal, charged with murder, but a judge Quill said he told the story of his professional and personal," Quill dismissed the case.

> "Yet I also felt strongly that I was setting her free to get the most. He had a long relationship with the "We can't do that without talking out of the time she had left and to patient, he had urged her to receive about real examples," he said in an maintain dignity and control on her standard care and he was not with

After several months of spending ill patients to think seriously about as much time as possible with her

Quill told the medical examiner "From my point of view, this viving chemotherapy and bone. Diane died of leukemia rather than story comes as close as I can imag- marrow transplantation and gaining suicide, which would have prompt- expert at Boston University School ed a police investigation.

a physician in the suicide of a But she refused such a course of After learning of the article, guy as my doctor. The vast majoripatient." said Arthur Caplan, a treatment because "she was con- Howard R. Relin, the district attor- ty of people in the United States bioethicist at the University of vinced she would die during the ney in Monroe County, N.Y., said would want somebody like this.'

Three years ago in the Journal of Diane wanted to be in control of the American Medical Association, Association, said that while Quill her life and her dignity, Quill a doctor wrote an anonymous and did not illegally assist in the sui- wrote. "When this was no longer controversial article describing how cide, she was troubled by even this possible, she clearly wanted to he gave a lethal injection of morphine to a suffering cancer patient

Last year, a Michigan doctor machine he invented that let her give herself a fatal injection with

Medical and legal experts cited several differences in Quill's case: her when she died.

"I don't see any technical kind of legal wrong in Tim Quill's conduct, what they do and how they handle husband and son, pain began to and I certainly don't see any prodominate Diane's life. About a year fessional ethic that has been violat-In his essay, Quill said he told ago, at age 45, she took the pills ed," said Dr. Jane Greenlaw, who teaches health care law at the University of Rochester.

George Annas, a medical legal of Medicine, agreed: "I want this

Researchers: Aspirin sharply reduces deaths after heart attack

ATLANTA (AP) – Researchers are second heart attack or stroke by 25

The study analyzed data from 200 experimental trials of aspirin involving 100,000 patients and demonstrated conclusively that aspirin dramatically lowers the risk of a second Wednesday.

"This is one of the most well-tected." urging doctors to prescribe aspirin worked out areas in medicine," more widely for heart attack and Richard Peto of Oxford University half an aspirin a day will save 10,000 stroke survivors following a study said at the annual meeting of the lives annually among every 1 million showing aspirin can cut the risk of a American College of Cardiology. "The curse is that the drug is so seriously."

Researchers do not know how causes of disability, he said. widely aspirin is used by heart attack and stroke survivors, but Peto said: been said," said Dr. Eugene Pasheart attack or stroke, its authors said the exact opposite of what patients research at the government's Nation-

Peto said his study suggests that

Americans treated. It will also prevent an additional bloody cheap that nobody takes it 10,000 non-fatal strokes and heart attacks, which are among the leading

"I completely agree with what's ties.

"This is a wonderful, wonderful a slight increase in such strokes, attacks. piece of work.'

An estimated 936,000 Americans died from heart attacks, strokes and related ailments in 1990.

Aspirin's effectiveness in preventing second heart attacks and strokes is attributed to its known clot-dissolving, or blood-thinning, proper-

Doctors have been concerned that "Routine practice in many areas is samani, director of heart disease aspirin could increase bleeding in the need. The patients aren't getting pro- al Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. of stroke. The researchers found only

of bleeding," said Dr. Rory Collins, a member of the Oxford group.

however.

Dr. Charles Hennekens of Harvard University, who conducted the active bleed. largest American study of aspirin,

"The latest survey data says only "The benefits far outweigh any risks one in three patients were getting it," he said. "There are no people who are not eligible for aspirin, unless you're allergic or coming in with an

However, Peto said more research said the Oxford study underscores is required on the usefulness of



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Fourth grader, Trey Ford, son of Dr. and Mrs. Mark Ford, displays his Wilson Elementary science fair project, a study of radiation effects on green plants.

Wilson Elementary science fair winners announced

In conjunction with Texas Public Schools Week, Wilson Elementary School science fair is open to the public through Friday, March 8. Student projects were judged and winners announced.

Best of fair: Jason Baggett, Joshua Franklin, Bethany Valmores, Adam Keller, and Trey Ford.

First place: Bethany Valmores, Joshua Franklin, Adam Keller, Trey Ford, Jason Baggett, Emily Barrick, Mark Lamb, P. J. Reed, Elijo Hernan-

Second place: Jarred Bowles, Chad Epperson, Brian Doss, Amos Valmores, Michael Crocker, Leo Ramirez, Mandy Parks, Bryant Smith, Joe Ramirez, and Stephanie Slate.

Third place: Sarah Maul, Jeremy Whitely, Juan Portillo, Marty Field, Alison Brantley, Bert Luna, Brandy Bolin, Heather Petty, Rita Rodgers,

Fourth place: Vickie Fossett, Kevin Osborn, Melea Jouett, Vincente Martinez, Bryon Brockington, Michael Crocker, Laci Threasher, Michelle Gee, Krista Keel, and Kurt Jones.

These students will advance to district competition April 6 at Amarillo College: Mandy Parks, Jason Baggett, Adam Keller, Joshua Franklin, Bethany Valmores, Trey Ford, Emily Barrick, Elijo Hernandez, P. J. Reed, Jessica Land, Laci Thrasher, Amos Valmores, Joe Ramirez, Mark Lamb, Michael Crocker, Amanda Howell, Chad Epperson, Lisa Dwight, Alison Brantley, Bert Luna, Marty Field, Stephanie Slate, and Sarah Maul.

Lake Meredith Museum hosts rare and endangered species program

Lake Meredith Aquatic and Wildlife Museum will be presenting the Rare and Endangered Species program during the entire month of March. The program will consist of a film, followed by lectures and activity tables and touch-and-feel articles to acquaint the children with some wildlife. Schools and organizations may call 857-2458 to set up a tour. All tours

Leadership and mangement class offered through CC-PC

Clarendon College-Pampa Center is sponsoring a Leadership and Management Skills class on April 6-7, 8-4 p.m. The class will meet in the Coronado Hospital private dining room with instructor Hoyt DeVries. Pre-registration is required by April 1. Students may enroll either at Clarendon College-Pampa Center office or in Monette Blando's office, room 227, Coron-

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and 3. As their income rose the investors in self-directed IRAs. But they put all their nest egg in cellular stocks, which collapsed in value.

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of time for the REITs to recover in

degree of aggressiveness.

Since the Wongs are going to start ly change the mix of their portfolio,

Long-term Treasury zeros (sold at IRAs since the option became wide-Traded like stocks, REITs build and deep discounts and stripped of their ly available almost a decade ago,

First, you've locked in a rate of return for as long as 30 years without knowing what inflation will do to the purchasing power of your principal upon maturity. In other words, you risk being stuck with 8.2 percent bonds in a 12.2 percent world. Second, with 20 years to go until retirement, your emphasis should remain on capital apprecia-

Even if, like the Wongs, you are freshman in two years, the other in slightly averse to risk, a retirement portfolio of 50 percent aggressive or basket of funds for the past dozen long-term growth funds is still years, the Wongs' college kitty is smart, given the 20 years remaining before you'll need the money. You selection of utility or REIT stocks. Both offer handsome dividends (the recent average yield for utilities was 8 percent) that can be automatically

> reinvested in additional shares. As for long-term Treasury zeros, consider buying them only when yields to maturity soar to 10 percent, and keep an eye toward later sale for capital gains.

Toward Retirement: Age 55: The Stanizlowskis' house is twothirds paid off, their children are out of college and retirement is 10 years away. Like the other families, they've socked money into their

tilted heavily toward short-term bond funds. Into his 401(k) plan at work, Mr. Stanizlowski has begun putting \$250 a month, matched 50 cents to the dollar by his employer, a metals-mining company; he also has invested in company stock.

Now's the time to accelerate retirement savings. Any participatory plans, such as a 401(k), should be funded to the max. But buy stock in your own company? The more cyclical its business, the more volatile the long-term swings in share price. Most 401(k) plans offer a menu of choices. Try a diversified stock or stock and bond mix.

On the other hand, it's also a tad premature to swing heavily to fixedincome securities in your IRA; wait for actual retirement. By now there should be relatively

little difference in emphasis of taxsheltered and other investments because you're working toward your last financial goal. Think of these baskets of investments not as separate entities but as one big pot. While keeping an emergency stash in an easy-to-reach money-market fund, seek to spread the rest of your portfolio over five areas, in roughly equal amounts: growth stock funds, growth-and-income funds (which emphasize dividend-paying companies), international funds, utility stocks and three-year CDs timed to and Mrs. Stanizlowski rolled over a mature once every six months.

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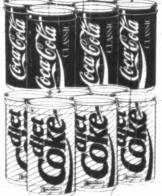
Center is sponsoring a class in arrhythmia analysis, hemody-Basic Twelve Lead EKG Inter- namic physiology-basic educapretation, beginning March 29 tion and its clinical relevance through April 26, 1-3 p.m., at in the context of arrhythmia. Coronado Hospital. The class For further information, call instructor will be Dr. Laxmic- Monett Blando at 665-3721, hand Kamnani, M.D., FACC extension 227, or Clarendon Cardiology. The cours will pro- College.

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from. It seems like it's just me who

minds. There are two co-workers who

pick him up every morning for work.

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decides he's not going to work, they

have to drive the whole way to find

stop for gas and discovered I had no

cash with me, so he gave me \$3,

which I assumed was a gift in return

for all the free rides I had given him.

Three days later, he asked me if I

had forgotten about the \$3 I owed

him! I reluctantly gave him \$3, but it

really burned me up. After that I was

so mad, I decided he would never get

it's quitting time and making up

stupid excuses to get out of giving

him a ride. I don't know what is more annoying: the rides, or this. How can

DEAR HATES: Be up-front

and tell him he can no longer

depend on you for free transpor-

tation. And if he asks why you

suddenly made that decision, tell

him the truth, and don't pull any

Now, I find myself hiding when

HATES FREELOADERS

a ride from me again.

I get out of this mess?

While giving him a ride, I had to

It's not just me he hitches rides

or 20 minutes out of the way.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 23-year-old after work — and these rides are not woman and I'm dating a 47-year-old man. I am very mature for my age and have always seemed to relate better to older men. Our relationship is very serious and he's asked me to marry him. Al treats me wonderfully, and I would love to spend

Here's the problem: Al is my mother's age, and I'm afraid if my parents find out the age difference, they will be against our marrying. My mother thinks he's 42, which is OK with her, but I'm sure five more years would make a difference. I try not to let other people influence my decisions, but my parents are a big part of my life and it's not easy for me when we disagree

Abby, this man is wonderful, and we both think we are right for each other and the age difference shouldn't make a difference. Do you think it

IN LOVE WITH AL

DEAR IN LOVE: The age difference is not the issue. The fact

that you consider yourself "mature" and are still lying to your parents in order to win their approval is. Be honest with your

parents about this man's age. If Al is all you say he is and your parents are intelligent people, the age difference won't matter. punches. DEAR ABBY: There is a man I

CHUCKLE (OR GROAN) FOR work with who always needs a ride somewhere. He owns a car, but it · doesn't run. He bums rides to work,

TODAY: "Asking a working writer what he thinks about critics is like asking a lamppost how it feels about dogs." — Christoto the bank, to lunch, to the mall pher Hampton

Home care questions, answers about concrete construction

By POPULAR MECHANICS For AP Newsfeatures

Q. — My wife and I are doing extensive renovation on our summer home. We have most projects pretty well in hand, but one of the toughest jobs we find is driving nails in concrete. Do you have any tips that can help

A. — There's no getting around it, driving concrete nails is difficult work. If you have a lot of nailing to do, you can rent power equipment that will make the job go considerably easier. In any event, here are a few pro

tricks that will help you with almost any nailing job you have. The first tip is to use a 2-pound mash hammer when driving concrete nails. Carpenter's hammers are not intended for driving hardened steel nails or tools, and the lightweight carpenter's hammer — usually 16 ounces

— is too light for driving nails into concrete.

Another tip is to use a masonry bit and predrill holes through the wood piece and into the concrete wall or floor. You can have good success if you're driving nails into concrete that is less than one year old. Older concrete is very dense, and it is almost impossible to get a nail into it without predrilling an undersized hole, then driving the concrete nail.

If you are fastening wood to concrete block walls, drive the nails into the mortar joints, not into the block. The hollow cores of the concrete block will just collapse if you try to drive a nail into them. The mortar joint offers a solid masonry nailing surface that will hold a nail. You may prefer to use flat, or cut, concrete nails for nailing into mortar joints between concrete block, and use ordinary round concrete nails for nailing wall sole plates into concrete slab floors.

The development of construction adhesive has been a real plus for difficult fastening jobs. Apply a bead of construction adhesive to any piece of wood before nailing the wood to concrete. The adhesive bead will help bridge over any irregular spots in the concrete, and will allow you to fasten

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(AP Laserphoto)

Dr. Timothy Quill sits in his office in Rochester, N.Y., Wednes-

Doctor prescribes sleeping pills, then writes of patient's suicide

By DANIEL Q. HANEY **AP Science Writer**

BOSTON (AP) - A doctor prepatient so she could kill herself, then recounted the suicide in an much involvement. extraordinary signed article that troubled some physicians and impressed others.

of incidents in which doctors have our departure," she said. "The participated to varying degrees in the deaths of patients, but rarely have doctors openly described such participation.

In the essay in today's New England Journal of Medicine, Dr. Timothy E. Quill of the University of Rochester described how he prescribed sleeping pills, and told the interview. "I hope this will cause own terms until her death. patient how many she needed to longer stand the pain of her acute myelomonocytic leukemia and these situations." wanted to die.

both legally and ethically.

story comes as close as I can imag- marrow transplantation and gaining suicide, which would have prompt- expert at Boston University School ine to a morally defensible role for a long-term cure. a physician in the suicide of a But she refused such a course of patient," said Arthur Caplan, a treatment because "she was con- Howard R. Relin, the district attor- ty of people in the United States

trustee of the American Medical

The case is the latest in a series the right to choose the moment of and told her how to use them. not assist in achieving that goal."

Quill said he told the story of his patient, whom he identified only as wrote. Diane, to bring the discussion of death and suffering into the open.

"We can't do that without talking doctors who take care of severely

In his essay, Quill said he told Several experts said Quill acted Diane, his patient of eight years, and died at home. that she had a 1-in-4 chance of sur-

bioethicist at the University of vinced she would die during the ney in Monroe County, N.Y., said would want somebody like this."

period of treatment and would suf- he would investigate. However, Dr. Nancy Dickey, a fer unspeakably in the process."

die," he said.

"We don't get to choose the At Diane's request, and after he he did not know. moment of our arrival into this was sure she understood her deciworld, and I don't believe we have sion, Quill prescribed barbiturates hooked an Alzheimer's victim to a

AMA suggests that physicians will uneasy feeling about the boundaries the press of a button. He was professional and personal," Quill dismissed the case.

"Yet I also felt strongly that I was setting her free to get the most He had a long relationship with the out of the time she had left and to patient, he had urged her to receive about real examples," he said in an maintain dignity and control on her standard care and he was not with

> After several months of spending dominate Diane's life. About a year

Quill told the medical examiner versity of Rochester. "From my point of view, this viving chemotherapy and bone Diane died of leukemia rather than ed a police investigation.

Three years ago in the Journal of Diane wanted to be in control of the American Medical Association, Association, said that while Quill her life and her dignity, Quill a doctor wrote an anonymous and scribed sleeping pills for a cancer did not illegally assist in the sui- wrote. "When this was no longer controversial article describing how cide, she was troubled by even this possible, she clearly wanted to he gave a lethal injection of morphine to a suffering cancer patient

> Last year, a Michigan doctor machine he invented that let her "I wrote the prescription with an give herself a fatal injection with I was exploring - spiritual, legal, charged with murder, but a judge

> > Medical and legal experts cited several differences in Quill's case: her when she died.

"I don't see any technical kind of kill herself, when she could no ill patients to think seriously about as much time as possible with her legal wrong in Tim Quill's conduct, what they do and how they handle husband and son, pain began to and I certainly don't see any professional ethic that has been violatago, at age 45, she took the pills ed," said Dr. Jane Greenlaw, who teaches health care law at the Uni-

> George Annas, a medical legal of Medicine, agreed: "I want this After learning of the article, guy as my doctor. The vast majori-

Researchers: Aspirin sharply reduces deaths after heart attack

ATLANTA (AP) - Researchers are "This is one of the most well-tected." urging doctors to prescribe aspirin worked but areas in medicine." more widely for heart attack and Richard Peto of Oxford University half an aspirin a day will save 10,000 stroke survivors following a study said at the annual meeting of the lives annually among every 1 million showing aspirin can cut the risk of a American College of Cardiology. second heart attack or stroke by 25 percent.

The study analyzed data from 200 experimental trials of aspirin involving 100,000 patients and demonstrated conclusively that aspirin dramatically lowers the risk of a second heart attack or stroke, its authors said Wednesday.

"The curse is that the drug is so

Researchers do not know how causes of disability, he said. widely aspirin is used by heart attack

Peto said his study suggests that Americans treated.

It will also prevent an additional bloody cheap that nobody takes it 10,000 non-fatal strokes and heart attacks, which are among the leading

"I completely agree with what's ties. and stroke survivors, but Peto said: been said," said Dr. Eugene Pas-"Routine practice in many areas is samani, director of heart disease

"This is a wonderful, wonderful piece of work."

An estimated 936,000 Americans related ailments in 1990.

Aspirin's effectiveness in preventing second heart attacks and strokes is attributed to its known clot-dissolving, or blood-thinning, proper-

Doctors have been concerned that aspirin could increase bleeding in the

a slight increase in such strokes, attacks.

member of the Oxford group.

Dr. Charles Hennekens of Harvard University, who conducted the active bleed.' largest American study of aspirin,

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"The latest survey data says only "The benefits far outweigh any risks one in three patients were getting it," died from heart attacks, strokes and of bleeding," said Dr. Rory Collins, a he said. "There are no people who are not eligible for aspirin, unless you're allergic or coming in with an

> However, Peto said more research said the Oxford study underscores is required on the usefulness of the importance of using aspirin in the aspirin for people who have not had hospital immediately after heart a stroke or heart attack.

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Fourth grader, Trey Ford, son of Dr. and Mrs. Mark Ford, displays his Wilson Elementary science fair project, a study of radiation effects on green plants.

Wilson Elementary science fair winners announced

In conjunction with Texas Public Schools Week, Wilson Elementary School science fair is open to the public through Friday, March 8. Student projects were judged and winners announced.

Best of fair: Jason Baggett, Joshua Franklin, Bethany Valmores, Adam Keller, and Trey Ford.

First place: Bethany Valmores, Joshua Franklin, Adam Keller, Trey Ford, Jason Baggett, Emily Barrick, Mark Lamb, P. J. Reed, Elijo Hernan-

Second place: Jarred Bowles, Chad Epperson, Brian Doss, Amos Valmores, Michael Crocker, Leo Ramirez, Mandy Parks, Bryant Smith, Joe Ramirez, and Stephanie Slate.

Third place: Sarah Maul, Jeremy Whitely, Juan Portillo, Marty Field, Alison Brantley, Bert Luna, Brandy Bolin, Heather Petty, Rita Rodgers,

Fourth place: Vickie Fossett, Kevin Osborn, Melea Jouett, Vincente Martinez, Bryon Brockington, Michael Crocker, Laci Threasher, Michelle Gee, Krista Keel, and Kurt Jones.

These students will advance to district competition April 6 at Amarillo College: Mandy Parks, Jason Baggett, Adam Keller, Joshua Franklin, Bethany Valmores, Trey Ford, Emily Barrick, Elijo Hernandez, P. J. Reed, Jessica Land, Laci Thrasher, Amos Valmores, Joe Ramirez, Mark Lamb, Michael Crocker, Amanda Howell, Chad Epperson, Lisa Dwight, Alison Brantley, Bert Luna, Marty Field, Stephanie Slate, and Sarah Maul.

Lake Meredith Museum hosts rare and endangered species program

Lake Meredith Aquatic and Wildlife Museum will be presenting the Rare and Endangered Species program during the entire month of March. The program will consist of a film, followed by lectures and activity tables and touch-and-feel articles to acquaint the children with some wildlife. Schools and organizations may call 857-2458 to set up a tour. All tours

Leadership and mangement class offered through CC-PC

Clarendon College-Pampa Center is sponsoring a Leadership and Management Skills class on April 6-7, 8-4 p.m. The class will meet in the Coronado Hospital private dining room with instructor Hoyt DeVries. Pre-registration is required by April 1. Students may enroll either at Clarendon College-Pampa Center office or in Monette Blando's office, room 227, Coronado Hospital.



Dear Abby Abigail Van Buren

Woman trips on altar path with man her mother's age

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 23-year-old after work — and these rides are not woman and I'm dating a 47-year-old man. I am very mature for my age and have always seemed to relate better to older men. Our relationship is very serious and he's asked me to marry him. Al treats me wonderfully, and I would love to spend the rest of my life with him.

Here's the problem: Al is my mother's age, and I'm afraid if my parents find out the age difference, they will be against our marrying. My mother thinks he's 42, which is OK with her, but I'm sure five more vears would make a difference. I try not to let other people influence my decisions, but my parents are a big part of my life and it's not easy for me when we disagree.

Abby, this man is wonderful, and we both think we are right for each other and the age difference shouldn't make a difference. Do you think it

IN LOVE WITH AL

DEAR IN LOVE: The age difference is not the issue. The fact that you consider yourself "mature" and are still lying to your parents in order to win their approval is. Be honest with your parents about this man's age. If Al is all you say he is and your parents are intelligent people, the age difference won't matter.

along the way; they're sometimes 15 or 20 minutes out of the way.

It's not just me he hitches rides from. It seems like it's just me who minds. There are two co-workers who pick him up every morning for work. He doesn't have a phone, so when he decides he's not going to work, they have to drive the whole way to find

While giving him a ride, I had to stop for gas and discovered I had no cash with me, so he gave me \$3, which I assumed was a gift in return for all the free rides I had given him. Three days later, he asked me if I had forgotten about the \$3 I owed him! I reluctantly gave him \$3, but it really burned me up. After that I was so mad, I decided he would never get

a ride from me again Now, I find myself hiding when it's quitting time and making up stupid excuses to get out of giving him a ride. I don't know what is more annoying: the rides, or this. How can I get out of this mess?

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DEAR HATES: Be up-front and tell him he can no longer depend on you for free transportation. And if he asks why you suddenly made that decision, tell him the truth, and don't pull any

CHUCKLE (OR GROAN) FOR DEAR ABBY: There is a man I TODAY: "Asking a working work with who always needs a ride writer what he thinks about critsomewhere. He owns a car, but it ics is like asking a lamppost how doesn't run. He bums rides to work, it feels about dogs." - Christoto the bank, to lunch, to the mall pher Hampton

Home care questions, answers about concrete construction

By POPULAR MECHANICS For AP Newsfeatures

Q. — My wife and I are doing extensive renovation on our summer home. We have most projects pretty well in hand, but one of the toughest jobs we find is driving nails in concrete. Do you have any tips that can help us in this area?

A. — There's no getting around it, driving concrete nails is difficult work. If you have a lot of nailing to do, you can rent power equipment that will make the job go considerably easier. In any event, here are a few pro tricks that will help you with almost any nailing job you have.

The first tip is to use a 2-pound mash hammer when driving concrete nails. Carpenter's hammers are not intended for driving hardened steel nails or tools, and the lightweight carpenter's hammer — usually 16 ounces — is too light for driving nails into concrete.

Another tip is to use a masonry bit and predrill holes through the wood piece and into the concrete wall or floor. You can have good success if you're driving nails into concrete that is less than one year old. Older concrete is very dense, and it is almost impossible to get a nail into it without predrilling an undersized hole, then driving the concrete nail.

If you are fastening wood to concrete block walls, drive the nails into the mortar joints, not into the block. The hollow cores of the concrete block will just collapse if you try to drive a nail into them. The mortar joint offers a solid masonry nailing surface that will hold a nail. You may prefer to use flat, or cut, concrete nails for nailing into mortar joints between concrete block, and use ordinary round concrete nails for nailing wall sole plates into concrete slab floors.

The development of construction adhesive has been a real plus for difficult fastening jobs. Apply a bead of construction adhesive to any piece of wood before nailing the wood to concrete. The adhesive bead will help bridge over any irregular spots in the concrete, and will allow you to fasten

o investments match goals and needs?

By CHANGING TIMES The Kiplinger Magazine For AP Newsfeatures

Times like these expose investments that simply are not appropri- price. ate for your present goals and risk

When all of the investments in your portfolio head up, you may pay little attention to the risks. But what looked fine a couple of years ago may not be right today.

To help you evaluate your investments, put yourself in the places of these three imaginary couples. At ages 35, 45 and 55, they're each at different points of their lives and need different types of investments.

Settled Down: Age 35: Meet the Blacks. They've bought a house and now are turning their sights toward the future college educations of their two children, ages 5 and 3. As their income rose the Blacks also became enthusiastic investors in self-directed IRAs. But they put all their nest egg in cellular

stocks, which collapsed in value. What should they do? People the their retirement money by either diversifying more broadly among growth stocks or entrusting the task to aggressive growth fund. Another alternative is to begin building a nest of stocks in established, beatendown industries — real-estate should be complete. investment trusts, for example.

the risk has evaporated. You've'loads two reasons of time for the REITs to recover in

For the college money, spread your risk by opening accounts in two long-term growth funds, an international fund and a conservative balanced fund. That way you focus on growth, but not to the nth degree of aggressiveness.

- Middle Years: Age 45: College now looms for the tion. You can still afford risk.

Wongs' two kids. The first will be a freshman in two years, the other in four, Having regularly invested in a basket of funds for the past dozen years, the Wongs' college kitty is \$82,000. Their self-directed IRA, now worth \$30,000, includes supersafe U.S. Treasury zero-coupon bonds and utility stocks.

Since the Wongs are going to start tapping their college savings in just two years, they should start to slowly change the mix of their portfolio, from the most aggressive funds to the more conservative ones, and Blacks' age should handle risk with from the conservative ones to a money-market fund. Or buy oneyear to three-year CDs and Treasury securities timed to mature with the arrival of the tuition bills. By the time the youngest child is a freshman, the shift out of stock funds

Long-term Treasury zeros (sold at Traded like stocks, REITs build and deep discounts and stripped of their ly available almost a decade ago, stocks and three-year CDs timed to manage everything from strip shop- interest coupons) are indeed super- and Mrs. Stanizlowski rolled over a mature once every six months.

ping centers to hospitals. The real safe. But they are probably inappro- \$75,000 profit-sharing balance when estate slump has pummeled these priate as mainstays of retirement she recently changed jobs. In all, stocks so mercilessly that much of savings for people in their 40s, for

> First, you've locked in a rate of return for as long as 30 years without knowing what inflation will do to the purchasing power of your principal upon maturity. In other metals-mining company; he also has words, you risk being stuck with 8.2 percent bonds in a 12.2 percent world. Second, with 20 years to go until retirement, your emphasis should remain on capital apprecia-

slightly averse to risk, a retirement portfolio of 50 percent aggressive or long-term growth funds is still smart, given the 20 years remaining before you'll need the money. You can balance these holdings with a selection of utility or REIT stocks. Both offer handsome dividends (the recent average yield for utilities was 8 percent) that can be automatically reinvested in additional shares.

As for long-term Treasury zeros, consider buying them only when yields to maturity soar to 10 percent, and keep an eye toward later sale for

- Toward Retirement: Age 55: The Stanizlowskis' house is twothirds paid off, their children are out of college and retirement is 10 years they've socked money into their IRAs since the option became wide-

their IRAs total a hefty \$125,000, tilted heavily toward short-term bond funds. Into his 401(k) plan at work, Mr. Stanizlowski has begun putting \$250 a month, matched 50 cents to the dollar by his employer, a invested in company stock.

Now's the time to accelerate retirement savings. Any participatory plans, such as a 401(k), should be funded to the max. But buy stock in your own company? The more Even if, like the Wongs, you are cyclical its business, the more volatile the long-term swings in share price. Most 401(k) plans offer a menu of choices. Try a diversified stock or stock and bond mix.

On the other hand, it's also a tad premature to swing heavily to fixedincome securities in your IRA; wait for actual retirement.

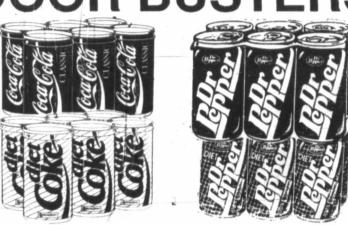
By now there should be relatively little difference in emphasis of taxsheltered and other investments because you're working toward your last financial goal. Think of these baskets of investments not as separate entities but as one big pot. While keeping an emergency stash in an easy-to-reach money-market fund, seek to spread the rest of your portfolio over five areas, in roughly equal amounts: growth stock funds, away. Like the other families, growth-and-income funds (which emphasize dividend-paying companies), international funds, utility

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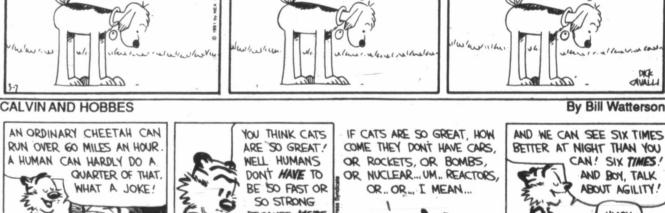
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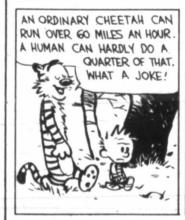


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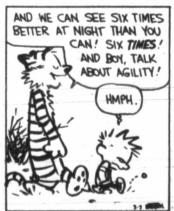




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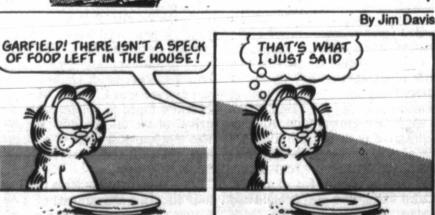
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Astro-Graph by bernice bede osol

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) When in the company of people who have influence over, your career today, be mindful of your comments. What you say, good or bad, will be duly noted. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Someone very nosy, who may not be working for your best interests, might probe you for confidential information today. This is the last person to whom you'll want to reveal secrets. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) An ac-

quaintance who has a tendency to gossip about others might try to draw you into an intrigue today. The subject mat-ter could be fascinating and you may GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you are in need of counsel today, be extremely se-

lective regarding whom you go to for

Your judgment is a bit questionable. CANCER (June 21-July 22) To be on the safe side, write down any critical instructions you are to pass on to coworkers today. If you don't, something might get lost in the translation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do not take small details for granted in your commercial dealings today. A point you treat indifferently now might turn out to be a thorn in the lion's paw later. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Harmony on

the homefront will be threatened today if you find more in your mate to criticize than to praise. If you don't have something nice to say, keep mum. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) We all have feet of clay, so try not to think of your-

self as the exception today. If you start to look for faults in others, expect to have the tables turned. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Small extravagances at this time could add up to a shockingly large total when the sum is finally computed. Be as mindful of

spending dimes as you are of spending SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You have a pretty good eye for details today, and this could be a plus. However, be careful that it doesn't become a nega-

tive obsession. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Sentimentality definitely has its place, but if you try to make logical judgments from

an emotional perspective today, you may find success hard to come by.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There's a possibility that it might be more costly to do business with a friend than with a stranger today. Keep this in mind if you are anxious to make a good deal.

By Brad Anderson KIT 'N' CARLYLE YOUR CAT WANTS

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March Mania!

March madness!

Sounds like some kind of psychological disease or person ality disorder, doesn't it?

I don't know who coined the phrase, but it certainly i

appropriate. March 14 begins slightly more than two weeks of NCAA men's basketball tournament action, but the madness has Sixty-four college teams from across the United States of America will vie for the

national championship. That is what precipitates the "madness" and events leading up to and including the final-four face-off can best be

described as hysteria. The extensive television broadcasting of college basketball has elevated the final contests to almost Super Bowl of World Series status.

At stake is big money - enough to fill college coffers boost local economies of communities hosting tournament games and make millionaires of players who eventually turn professional.

National publicity and bragging rights can make or break a school's recruiting program.

Delirium has already set in for most fans as they wait anxiously to see if their team will qualify by virtue of a conference tournament victory or selection by an NCAA committee. As regional competition gradually narrows the 64-team field, emotional turmoil grows to a fevered pitch and ecstacy is realized if their team makes it to the final four.

The mania is almost beyond belief; relatively sane people become capable of extremely erratic behavior when their team gets close to a national title.

I'm going to save you-all a lot of headaches, heartaches and argument.

Only a fool would attempt to prognosticated the outcome but here goes..

Although most worthy roundball sages have all but handed over the crown to the University of Nevada at Las Vegas, I

respectfully decline. Sure, it's difficult to look past UNLV, especially because they won it all last year, returned with virtually the same tal ented squad and are undefeated this year.

But the odds - and Vegas knows only too well about odds

On a neutral court against teams riding a tournament high 'd say there are a dozen teams capable of being cornonated.

There are many pretenders to the throne. Forget Ohio State, currently ranked No. 2 in the nation The Buckeyes already have used up all their magic during the

regular season. Ditto North Carolina. Coach Dean Smith shuffles his Ta Heels in and out of the game so often, they generally reach NCAA play without the cohesive starting five or star needed

to win the big ones. Forget the University of Kentucky. They have an exciting

team but are ineligible for postseason play due to previous alleged infractions. Duke University, as in past years, appears destined to

advance no farther than final four status. The Blue Devils have an outstanding starting five, but lack the necessary

Arkansas? Naw, they showed a lot against UNLV thi year, but not enough for my money.

Georgia Tech may make it to the dance on the strength of recent victories over top teams, but with Dennis Scott and Brian Oliver departed, only sophomore phenom Kenny Anderson remains from last year's vaunted "Lethal Weapon

So, who is left? I've eliminated most of the top-ten currently ranked teams.

My choice to win it all is the Orangemen of Syracuse University. They've got everything it takes to win a nationa championship, including blue-chipper Billy Owens.

I must admit, I also considered Louisiana State University as my first pick. In my book, LSU is now relegated to longshot status totally because of a reported stress fracture suf fered by sensational center Shaquille O'Neal.

Indiana - now there's a team with everything it takes to win, including a track record of achieving the national championship. Coach Bobby Knight, although temperamental, has the talented troops and is an excellent floor general. Indianapolis is the site for the final contests and would offer Indiana an obvious advantage.

Do not, I repeat, do not count out Arizona. The Chris Mills-Brian Williams tandem could get hot.

If the same Texas Longhorns show up as did against Arkansas, they might drive to victory.

For a tournament sleeper, I'll take East Tennessee State Keith Jennings and company on any given night can shoot the lights out from anywhere on the court.

I'm done now.

Notre Dame coach booed by Irish fans

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) - The deafening roar of approval for Notre Dame basketball coach Digger Phelps faded to silence this season, then transformed into a low chorus of

The Fighting Irish's worst season since Phelps' first year two decades ago has created campus speculation this year may be his last at Notre Dame.

Phelps brushes off the grousing in one moment, then gets irked the next.

"I thought it was college sports, not the NBA," he says. The 49-year-old coach has compiled a 393-196 record at Notre Dame, more wins — and more losses — than any other Irish basketball coach. He likes to point out, too, that every player who used his four years of eligibility left Notre Dame

with a degree. But this season promises only a dreary close as the Irish (12-19) head for their final game Saturday against No. 25

Canadian man is a cow-cutting competitor

By J. ALAN BRZYS **Sports Writer**

CANADIAN - Muscles rippling, Miss Chase Bell lunged to the left, then twisted to the right.

smaller four-legged foe into total sub-

In less than a minute, the non-conhorse again was victorious.

Cutting horse trainer Terry Farrar and praised the animal for its perfor-"The horse actually competes. You

can't use the reins once you cut the cow

Farrar, explaining the sport of training and show them. and showing cutting horses.

tion that continues today on cattle ranches. Off the ranch, cutting horses ridden by a growing number of people compete in shows, futurities and derbies from beginners to the professional

"It goes right back to the old (ranching) days," Farrar said Monday at his horse.' leased training facility on the Urschel Ranch seven miles northeast of Canadi-

Farrar was raised in Vernon "on the Pease River," and remembers "as a very small kid" watching famed cutting horse Poco Bueno at work on the Wagner Ranch

"I started training and breaking horses for our own use as a little kid," said Farrar, whose family raised registered Herefords.

In 1976, after four years of study in animal sciences at West Texas State University and Texas A&M, Farrar returned to the family business.

1979 focused his attention on cutting horses or "cutters," as they are called.

learned about cutting horses to past associations with well-known horsemen like Joe Heim, Greg Welch, Bill Freeman and Dick Dale.

In 1985, he began competing in cutting horse futurities with horses he had Eyeball to eyeball, she faced down trained and "made a lot of finals as a her adversary and outmaneuvered the non-pro." Two years ago he started working for Bill Stockstill in Pampa training cutters on a fulltime basis.

Farrar said he "made several finals tact, one-on-one action pitting horse on a mare of his (Stockstill's)" in against cow came to a sudden halt. The American Cutting Horse Association sanctioned events.

"Then I got a chance to lease this dismounted, let the steer out of the pen place (on Urschel Ranch) and I couldn't hardly afford to turn it down," he said, speaking of the facility which includes a 30-stall barn and inside arena.

Farrar boards, trains and shows cutout of the herd. You just hold on," said ting horses and instructs people to ride

"I train cutters for the futurities ... The use of horses to cut or separate have a few older horses I show ... and individual cows from a herd is a traditeach classes to anyone from verybeginners to professionals," he said. "For some, it's a hobby and a stress

> out there, they're just a good old boy ... one of the guys.' He'll teach anyone cutting techniques, "as long as they can stay on a

> release," Farrar said. "When they get

According to Farrar, most of the big money to be made in competition is in an. "You still have to own a good cow futurities and for four-year-old horses, derbies. He said most successful cutting horses are registered quarter horses, but

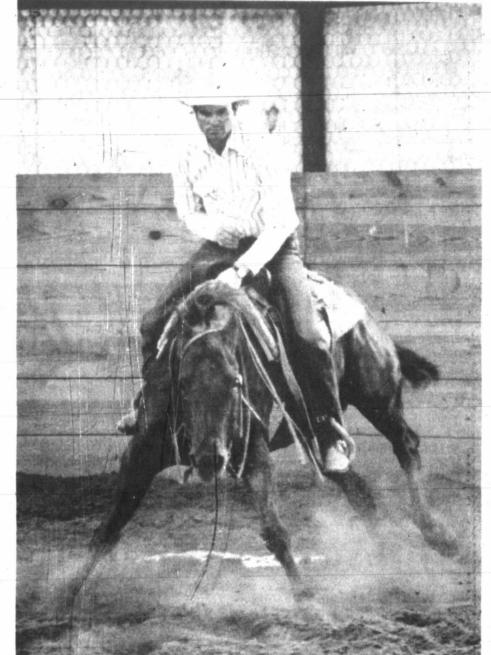
many other breeds are utilized. The horse must have "cow sense" to

be successful, he explained. "It takes a special kind of horse to make an arena (show) horse," said the

He said training is begun preferably in the spring of the animal's two-year old year and showing starts in the fall of the three-year-old year.

"A cutting horse is in its prime at 5 to 10 years old," said Farrar. "Once you He continued training horses and in really get them solid, all you need to do is put them on cows once a week.'

Stallions and mares make valuable Farrar credits much of what he has cutting horses because of their ability to horses.



Terry Farrar and Miss Chase Bell work a cow.

produce offspring however, "for weekend cutting you can't beat a good old ciation schedules a show once a month gelding," he said. Horses that don't at the county barn. The next show is set make the grade make excellent ranch for March 16.

The Canadian Cutting Horse Asso-

Ohio State suffers second loss of season

By BETH HARRIS **Associated Press Writer**

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) -

Jimmy Oliver scored 27 points, including 9 of Purdue's final 15, as the Boilermakers upset second-ranked Ohio State 72-67 and kept the Buckeyes from clinching the Big Ten title outright Wednesday night.

It was the sixth straight loss for Ohio State (26-2, 15-2) in West Lafayette since 1985.

Ohio State closed to 68-67 when Perry Carter hit the first of two free throws and Jim Jackson sank a jumper off Carter's missed second shot with 1:14 left.

But Oliver and Linc Darner sank two free throws each in the final 1:03 to hold off the Buckeyes, who need a victory in their final game at Iowa or a loss by second-place Indiana to win their field. first outright Big Ten title since 1971.

The victory kept Purdue (16-11, 8-9) in contention for a berth in the NCAA

remaining, but then outscored Purdue 11-2 as the Boilermakers went nearly 4 minutes with just one basket on Chuckie White's dunk. Mark Baker's layup capped the run

Ohio State trailed 53-45 with 6:38

and gave Ohio State its first lead of the second half, 56-55, with 6:38 remaining. The Boilermakers responded with a 17-10 spurt, including 9 points by Oliver, over the final 5:55 to win the game. White was the only other player in

double figures for Purdue with 21, including 7 of 10 free throws. Oliver, who was 9 points above his average, sank 10 of 11 free throws. Jamaal Brown had 14 points for Ohio

State. Jackson, the team's leading scorer, was held to 12 points on 4-of-14 shooting from the field. Ohio State outrebounded Purdue 36-

25, but shot only 39 percent from the Purdue, which led 35-33 at halftime, increased its lead to 39-33 on a pair of free throws by Oliver and a dunk by

White at the start of the second half.

Purdue's Ian Stanback and Ohio State's Mark Baker scramble for the basketball in the Wednesday night

Henderson fails to show at Oakland camp

Texas pitchers return after one-day walk

By RONALD BLUM **AP Sports Writer**

Where's Rickey? Not even his agent knows for sure.

"I really don't know," Richie, Bry said Wednesday after American League MVP Rickey Henderson failed to show up at Oakland's training camp on the mandatory reporting day. "I have no more idea than you do.'

Oakland general manager Sandy Alderson wasn't surprised. He said the club hadn't determined whether or not it would fine Henderson.

"If Rickey is trying to make a statement, I wouldn't have expected him on the first day that he can be fined," Alderson said. "The fact that he's not in camp only means that he can be fined."

The left fielder apparently is upset that the Athletics haven't been willing to renegotiate the four-year, \$12 million contract he signed before the beginning

"It has been intimated to me that's the reason," Alderson said. "I haven't gotten a telegraph."

Oakland manager Tony La Russa maintained his calm approach to Henderson's absence. The A's had requested all

shirking his responsibility by not being here," La Russa said.

of the World Series champion Cincinnati Reds made it clear why they were not in camp. Their contracts were back until they get better deals.

While Henderson was off some-

they're not here," Reds general manager Bob Quinn said at Plant City, Fla. "I'm not going to disclose the amount, but it is a fixed amount of fine. Yes, they know it."

Armstrong was renewed at \$215,000 and Oliver at \$185,000. They each want about \$100,000 more for 1991. "I'm going to stay out as long as it

takes to state my case," Oliver said.

"I'm just trying to get a fair shake. They've changed their policy for other non-arbitration-eligible players." Armstrong said he had heard nothing

new from Scott Boras, who represents both players. Asked when he might return to camp, Armstrong said: "It's up to Bob Quinn and my agent."

Reds manager Lou Piniella said he's concerned about the situation.

"They've received bad advice," Piniella said. "Joe is coming off of an arm injury and cut himself off from treatment, and Armstrong was scheduled to pitch Sunday. This is one of his throwing days and he misses it, so this is a setback. When it starts to interfere with us getting ready to defend our championship, I get upset, too.

players report to camp by Feb. 27. Reds first baseman Hal Morris, "I don't personally feel Rickey is renewed at \$180,000, said he's watching closely.

'If they do renegotiate the contracts, they're opening a Pandora's box," Morwhere, Jack Armstrong and Joe Oliver ris said. "I wish we could be insulated from this part of the game. I hate it. It has alienated everyone.

Meanwhile, Texas pitchers Kevin renewed and they say they won't come Brown and Kenny Rogers returned to Port Charlotte, Fla., after their one-day "The fines will start tomorrow if walkouts. They felt they made their

"I'm confident they understand my viewpoint and my reasoning behind feeling the way I do," Brown said. "Really, this is all I can do. I can't force them into doing anything else. The big thing is making sure they recognized I didn't agree with the way the negotiations were handled and, because of that, the outcome of the negotiations was I'm not being paid what I'm worth.'

Brown's contract was renewed for \$327,500, while Rogers' was renewed Coleman. for \$287,500.

In other camps news:

- Hall of Fame pitcher Jim Palmer made his first competitive appearance the inning.' since 1984, throwing two innings in an intrasquad game at Baltimore's spring training camp.

Palmer threw 38 pitches and gave up two runs and four hits, but he threw well enough to get out of the first inning without a hard-hit ball. He gave up a wind-blown home run to catcher Chris Hoiles and a run-scoring single to worth \$265,000.

Reds first baseman Hal Morris, rookie Luis Mercedes in the second before working out of trouble.

> The Orioles intend for Palmer to make his 1991 exhibition debut on March 11, when the club plays the Boston Red Sox at Bradenton, Fla. — Cecil Fielder was left off the trav-

eling squad for Detroit's game against the Los Angeles Dodgers on Thursday. "They're going to have hine million

reporters over there," said Tigers manager Sparky Anderson, referring to Darryl Strawberry's first game for Los Angeles. "I ain't going to get (Fielder) mixed up in all that baloney.

 Todd Worrell, coming back from December 1989 elbow surgery, pitched for St. Louis for the first time in 18

While he didn't look all that sharp he allowed a run on two walks and a single during one inning of an intrasquad game — the right-hander drew the praise of pitching coach Joe

"Todd was a little frustrated with his control," Coleman said after Worrell's 22-pitch outing. "But if you're honest, you have to be pleased with his effort. He maintained his velocity throughout

- Ken Griffey Sr., injured in a auto accident last weekend, continued working on the stationary bike and doing stretching exercises, but did not do any running or swing a bat.

- Tommy Gregg, the major leagues' premier pinch-hitter last season, agreed with Atlanta on a one-year contract By MARK EVANS **Associated Press Writer**

da Assembly has voted 40-1 for a bill to others which refer to the Runnin' Rebels end what critics term NCAA bullying of as a "pro basketball team that happens to the top-ranked UNLV basketball team play college basketball." and coach Jerry Tarkanian.

D-Reno, opposed the measure during a City" image. lively floor session Wednesday highlighted by speeches proclaiming Nevada's Old imposing state legislation on the NCAA West heritage of standing up to its ene- could shackle the agency with as many as

Introduced by Assembly Minority cited the NCAA warning. Leader Jim McGaughey, R-Las Vegas, AB204 requires the NCAA to follow due NCAA involves a 13-year legal battle process standards in investigating Nevada with the governing body over due proschools. It mirrors a Senate bill which cess. received unanimous support from the upper house on Monday.

supporters of Tarkanian, who has been involved in a long-running dispute with

During his floor speech Wednesday, McGaughey told lawmakers "it's our fight" and that "battle born" Nevadans have never been timid in confronting unfair enemies.

NCAA's kangaroo court," he added.

states passing restrictive laws such as champions, compete this season. AB204 that their schools could be bounced from the college sports govern- vision or postseason playoffs during the

an Myrna Williams, D-Las Vegas, said she was tired of the "denigrating, caus-CARSON CITY, Nev. (AP)- The Neva- tic" comments made by the NCAA and

Williams said the image of paying col-

50 different procedural standards. He also

The Nevada school's battle with the

In 1977, UNLV was placed on probation for various violations and served two Both measures have been backed by years probation. Tarkanian, who was ordered suspended for two years, got a state court injunction and continued

> The case went all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, which ruled the NCAA is a private agency and doesn't have to pro-

The NCAA ruled last year that the Rebels couldn't defend their national title "It's time to put the brakes on the as a final resolution to the Tarkanian penalty. But the penalty was delayed to NCAA officials have recently warned let the Rebels, the defending national

But the team remains barred from tele-

Olajuwon adjusts to new team concept

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ **AP Sports Writer**

HOUSTON (AP) Akeem Olajuwon moving faster than he projected. didn't have to leave the Houston Rockets to make a career change — he just stayed blend myself in like we planned," Olajuaway for 25 games.

the fourth game in a row tonight against haven't had that luxury. the Dallas Mavericks as he continues his comeback from eye surgery. Instead of punch with Olajuwon on the sidelines. being the main attraction, he's now a part_Five Rockets scored in double figures of a multi-faceted offense.

His performance in Tuesday's 112-100 such feat this season. victory over New Jersey proved to coach "The distribution of points is going to Don Chaney that Olajuwon can adjust to be a key for us," Chaney said. "When we the new team concept

have easily posted up, and instead he set we can be more effective offensively as a the pick on the pick and roll play," result. Chaney said. "It has been a drastic career change and he's adjusted to it well."

ready to resume his role as a starter, so successful without him. Olajuwon will come off the bench again with guard Sleepy Floyd, who has flour- game because Akeem is the most dangerished as the team's sixth man this season. ous in the middle," forward Otis Thorpe

Chaney said. "He's still not in shape and that area collapse either. He's given up a the timing's not there yet. His minutes portion of his game, too.' will come off the bench.

Larry Smith, who became a rebounding and he likes Olajuwon's adjustment. star in Olajuwon's absence, missed Tues-

The Rockets went more to a team constyle of play.

He played 34 minutes Tuesday night, getting 18 points, 12 rebounds and four blocked shots. His comeback is actually

"My problem is I can't just gradually won said. "It would be nice to cushion Olajuwon will come off the bench for yourself back into the lineup, but I

The Rockets have spread their scoring Tuesday night, led by Floyd's 27, his 14th

"There have been many times he could concentrate on one or two individuals and

Olajuwon has moved away from the

"I've had to give up a portion of my

Floyd has flourished in his bench role

"I'm happy as long as I get the minday's game because of a sprained ankle, utes," Floyd said. "Akeem is coming in but he intends to play against the Maver- there blocking shots and making steals that turn into fast break points.

"Akeem has done an excellent job of cept during Olajuwon's absence that net-setting picks on the pick and roll since ted them a 15-10 record without their star. coming back. The way we've been win-Now Olajuwon is adjusting to the new ning on the road will serve us well in the playoffs."

Holmes' comeback for title, not money ED SCHUYLER JR.

AP Boxing Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — It's not the money, it's the title that's driving Larry Holmes out of retirement at the age

"The main reason for my comeback is to get back what I lost," the former heavyweight champion said Wednesday. "Money is not the reason."

That's what 42-year-old George Foreman said when he came out of retirement in 1987. The heavyweight champion of 1973-74 will cap his comeback from a 10year layoff when he challenges Evander Holyfield for the undisputed heavyweight title on April 19 at Atlantic City, N.J., for a guarantee of \$12 million..

Twelve days earlier at Hollywood, Fla., Holmes, heavyweight champion for seven years (1978-85), will begin a second comeback that he hopes will lead to a fight with Foreman. Holmes' opponent will be Tim "Doc" Anderson of Orlando, Fla.

"I see George Foreman knocking Holyfield out and if Tyson comes along, Foreman will knock him out, too," Holmes said from his office at Easton, Pa

"I think I can do it (re-establish himself) in a short period of time and go for the big one by the end of the year," said Holmes, who last fought Jan. 22, 1988, when he was knocked out in the fourth round by Mike Tyson in a bid to win the undisputed heavyweight title. "I could have beaten Mike Tyson if Don King gave

me more time," said Holmes. "He gave me two months."

That fight ended a 21-month retirement for Holmes, who immediately retired again.

Asked how Anderson came to be selected as his second-comeback opponent for the 10-round bout at the Hotel Diplomat, Holmes said, "They gave me a list of guys and I picked him.'

Holmes said the main reason he chose Anderson was that Foreman fought him in the fourth fight of his comeback in 1987. Foreman scored a fourth-round knockout, which was one of the 32-year-old Anderson's nine knockout losses. Anderson is 25-13-0 with 13 knock-

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basket and has become involved in the Chaney doesn't think Olajuwon is Rockets pick and roll tactics that were so

"Akeem is not quite ready to start," said. "But Akeem has not let my game in

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Study finds barriers cut physicians' risk from AIDS patients

The study examined 277 physi-

cians from the McQuire center and the Medical College of Virginia

Hospital, also in Richmond, over a

nine-month period beginning before the CDC policy was implemented.

Fifty-four percent of the doctors

"Implementation led to a

decrease in the number of exposure incidents that resulted in direct con-

tact with blood and body fluids ...

from 5.07 to 2.66 exposures per

physician" per month, the study

A total of 1,553 exposure inci-

dents were reported. Eighty-nine

percent occurred during the use of

highest risk of transmission, the

study said. With protective gear, the

rate of such injuries fell about 62

percent, from 0.39 to 0.15 incidents,

Therefore, the use of all precau-

tions should reduce the risk of occu-

pational AIDS and hepatitis B infection by the same rate, Wong

The precautions also probably

protect patients from contracting

AIDS or hepatitis B from health-

care workers, Wong said. The CDC

has documented only three such

cases, all patients of a Florida den-

tist who died of AIDS.

Accidental needle pricks carry the

needles or catheters.

said they used protective gear before the policy, compared to 73

percent after.

By LINDSEY TANNER **Associated Press Writer**

CHICAGO (AP) - Health-care workers who wear protective gear run a 62 percent lower risk of being infected with AIDS or hepatitis B by their patients, scientists reported today.

The study is the first proof that precautions suggested by the federal Centers for Disease Control work, said its author, Dr. Edward S. Wong, an epidemiologist at the McQuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Richmond, Va.

The study in today's Journal of the American Medical Association was designed to determine the effectiveness of those 1987 precau-

Under CDC policy, health-care workers are advised to assume that all patients are infected with bloodborne diseases and should wear gear such as gloves, masks and goggles.

"Frankly, up until our study there it said. really had not been any proof that (the policy) would do what it intended to do," Wong said Tues-

A CDC spokesman said the agency had not studied the guidelines' effectiveness, and he was not familiar with Wong's findings.

According to the CDC, healthcare workers face a slim chance of contracting the AIDS virus from patients. Forty such cases were documented as of December, said spokesman Chuck Fallis.

They face a higher risk of contracting hepatitis B, a sometimes fatal liver disease that strikes 300,000 people a year in the United

Scientist turns flower defense into ant killer

ATLANTA (AP) - A scientist has turned the waxed chrysanthemum's secret defense against bees into a fog deadly to fire ants.

The defense is a chemical which knocks out the nervous system in bees, wasps, ants and their cousins

The chrysanthemum evolved with this chemical pyrethrum in its flower because the flower contains both the male and female organs. Bees, which pollinate so many other types of flowers, only interfere with the process, said Charles Wayne Evans II of Beaumont, Texas, who developed the technology to get the chemical to the fire ant.

He uses resmethrin, a man-made copy of pyrethrum. Evans' system is called EarthFire because a fog or smoke sometimes billows out of fire ant mounds when they are treated. It's for use by professionals, not homeowners.

Application of EarthFire requires equipment similar to a flame thrower, a back pack with hose and metal wand that the operator jams into the fire ant mound.

"It is 100 percent effective in killing the imported fire ant," Evans

Evans treated a large ant colony undermining the rear of the giraffe house at the Audubon zoo in New Orleans last fall, and retreated it a week later.

"Since then we've had no problem" with ants said Stephen T. Asprodites, director of horticulture at the zoo.

The fire ant slipped into the United states through Mobile, Ala., about 1918. It has spread from middle Texas to North Carolina and could eventually spread to the entire Pacific Coast and as far north as Virginia in the East.

The ant cannot survive prolonged temperatures of 10 degrees or less, so unless it adapts, its spread will be stopped there by winter, according to biologists in Texas, one of the

most heavily infested states. Each worker ant is equipped with a stinger, used to paralyze prey and in defending the colony. Hundreds of ants will charge up onto the body of a larger animal almost unnoticed, and then begin stinging almost simultaneously and repeatedly.

Farmers claim the ants kill newborn animals, up to the size of calves.

The ants build mounds up to 21/2 feet high, filled with tunnels and chambers. They are built with material hauled up from several feet down where workers excavate a conical colony which is almost the mirror image of the mound.

In addition, there are foraging tunnels, which radiate many yards out from the mound, so ants can go out after food.

There also are deep tunnels down to the water table, where the ants go for moisture, and where they hustle the queen and the eggs, larvae and pupae, in time of danger.

And the winner is?



Five finalists in the 44th annual Christ Child of 1991 contest are seen Tuesday at the Saint Kevin Rectory where the winner is picked to play the Christ child in the annual New England passion play of The Christus. From left to right are Laura Sullivan, six months old, of Boston; Sergio Gonzalez, 11 months, of Boston; Kerryn Fiore, nine months, of Boston; Gina Ficociello, five months, of Weymouth, Mass.; and Luke Lohan, five months, of Quincy, Mass. And the winner is - Kerryn Fiore, center, of Boston, who will appear in the play march 21 at the Immaculate Conception Church in Stoughton, Mass.

Cardiologist concludes smoking lowers age of first heart attack by 11 years

day smoker is likely to have a heart of Rochester in New York. attack 11 years earlier than a nonsmoker, a study concludes.

tinued to smoke, said Dr. Arthur lege of Cardiology.

ATLANTA (AP) – A two-pack-a- Moss, a cardiologist at the University

"There was a striking inverse relationship" between amount smoked In addition, smokers who quit had and the age at which people had heart their first heart attacks an average of attacks, Moss reported Tuesday at the three years later than those who con- annual meeting of the American Col-

Nonsmokers had their first heart pack per day, for example, had their attacks at a median age of 62; two-pack- first heart attacks at a median age of a-day smokers had their heart attacks at 57, compared to 60 for nonsmoking a median age of 51, Moss found.

When the numbers were calculated ger was higher for women, Moss said.

Women who smoked the same separately for men and women, the dan- amount advanced the median age at which they had heart attacks by four Men who smoked a half pack to a years, from 63 in nonsmokers to 59.





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