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At the head of the class!

Chen, Wingert are top PHS grads of '92

A young woman desiring a career as a chemical engineer has been named Pampa High School's 1992 valedictorian after finishing her four years with a 4.1375 grade point average.

Jocelyn Chen is the daughter of Enrico and Clara Chen and plans to attend the University of California at Berkeley in the fall.

She is interested in becoming a lawyer, doctor or environmentalist specializing in chemical engineering. During her high school career, Chen was a member of the Pampa Science Club, where she served as co-president and assistant treasurer.

She is also a member of National Honor Society and has participated in University Interscholastic League competition in science, ready writing and math.

Other memberships and activities include Key Club, Fellowship of Christian Musicians, Explorer Scouts, Youth Outreach United, Church of Christ youth group, Church of Christ nursery vol-

unteer and volunteer at Coronado Hospital. Salutatorian is Christina Wingert, who finishes with a 4.1099 GPS and plans to attend Virginia Wesleyan College majoring in liberal arts. Her career plans remain undecided.

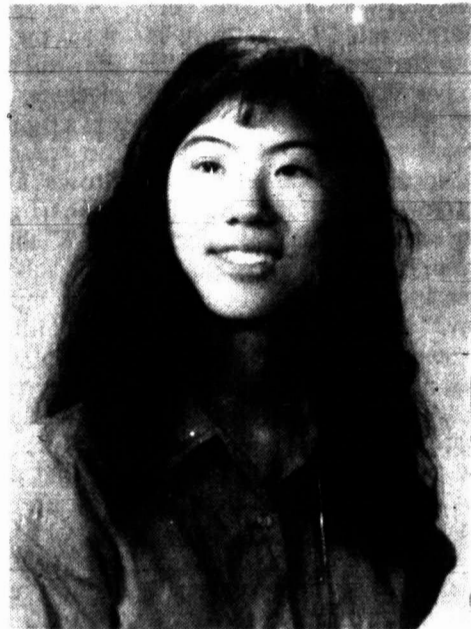
has held all-region and all-area competition levels.

Other activities and interests include stage band, National Honor Society, Science Club, St. Paul United Methodist youth group (president), Fellowship of Christian Musicians (activities director), and 4H.

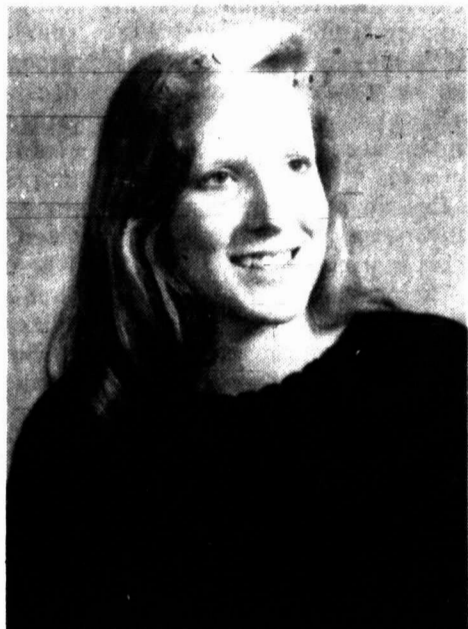
Fellow students graduating in the top 10 percent of the class at PHS include:

3. Susan Thornton; 4.08 GPA; daughter of Raymond and Sue Thornton; plans to attend Evangel College in Springfield, Mo., and major in pre-medicine. Activities and awards: NHS, Lady Harvester softball, Excellence in English awards, Daughters of American Revolution Good Citizenship Award, New

Life Assembly of God, superior ranking for piano and vocal solos at Assemblies of God district fine arts festival, mission outreach. Please see HONORS page 3.



Jocelyn Chen



Christina L. Wingert

She is the daughter of Jim and Pat Wingert.

Wingert has served as secretary, historian and color guard captain for the band and

Sneaky snake



(Staff photo by J. Alan Brzya)

A young bull snake wraps itself tightly around the arm of a Pampa News pressman Wednesday. The snake had sneaked through an opening in the back of the News building and surprised a pressman who found the snake while sweeping. It was released unharmed.

Historic three-man spacecrew rescues satellite

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
Associated Press Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)

— Endeavour's astronauts released a communications satellite early today after a historic three-man spacewalk that rescued both the

\$157 million craft and NASA's can-do reputation.

The astronauts grabbed the satellite by hand in unison Wednesday,

held it in place for 1 1/2 hours and spent several hours more attaching a rocket designed to lift it out of the uselessly low orbit in which it was stuck for two years.

The rocket was to be fired this afternoon when the shuttle was thousands of miles away. The Intelsat-6 satellite was to be sent to a working orbit 22,300 miles high.

Overnight, the crew was awakened by an alarm indicating a dip in their cabin pressure. Mission Control quickly determined it was caused by a valve that inadvertently had not been closed by the astronauts. The crew was not in any danger.

NASA today said Endeavour would remain in space until Saturday — for a total of nine days — to give the crew an extra day of rest. The landing at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. landing strip was set for 4:57 p.m. EDT.

The mission had already been extended one day to accommodate the rescue effort after two failed earlier attempts, in which a single astronaut tried to snare the satellite with a 15-foot bar instead of his gloved hands.

Astronauts Kathryn Thornton and Tom Akers prepared for a fourth spacewalk today, a shuttle record, to test construction techniques for a space station.

Intelsat, the international communications consortium, said it expected to have the satellite's

120,000 telephone circuits up and running in time for the Olympics in July.

"I think we have seen some incredible work by some awfully brave men at NASA," said Irving Goldstein, Intelsat chief executive. "This means that we are out of the woods."

A miswired rocket had left the satellite in the wrong orbit. Wednesday's spacewalk — the first by three people — was the last chance for Endeavour to retrieve the satellite. The shuttle did not have enough fuel for a fourth try.

The astronauts risked puncturing their spacesuits, which could be fatal in the vacuum of space. And if they had caused the 12-by-17-foot, 4 1/2-ton satellite to wobble, it could have smashed into the shuttle.

They finally caught the craft by waiting, arms raised, on cargo bay platforms until it was within reach. Three pairs of gloved hands, 225 miles above the Pacific Ocean near Hawaii, gripped Intelsat at its base.

"Got it!" shouted Pierre Thuot.

At Mission Control in Houston, flight controllers applauded.

"Houston, I think we got a satellite," said commander Dan Brandenstein, whose precision steering put Endeavour only a few feet below the Intelsat as it whizzed around Earth at 17,500 mph.

After they grabbed it, the astronauts held the drum-shaped satel-

lite steady for 90 minutes, one full orbit of Earth. Then, with Akers keeping both hands on, Hieb and Thuot attached a bar that allowed the satellite to be grappled by the shuttle crane. The crane lowered it to the rocket and it was bolted on.

Later, it took several tries to release the satellite-rocket combination, but Intelsat ultimately floated away slowly over the Pacific.

"You've made the agency proud today," Mission Control told the astronauts.

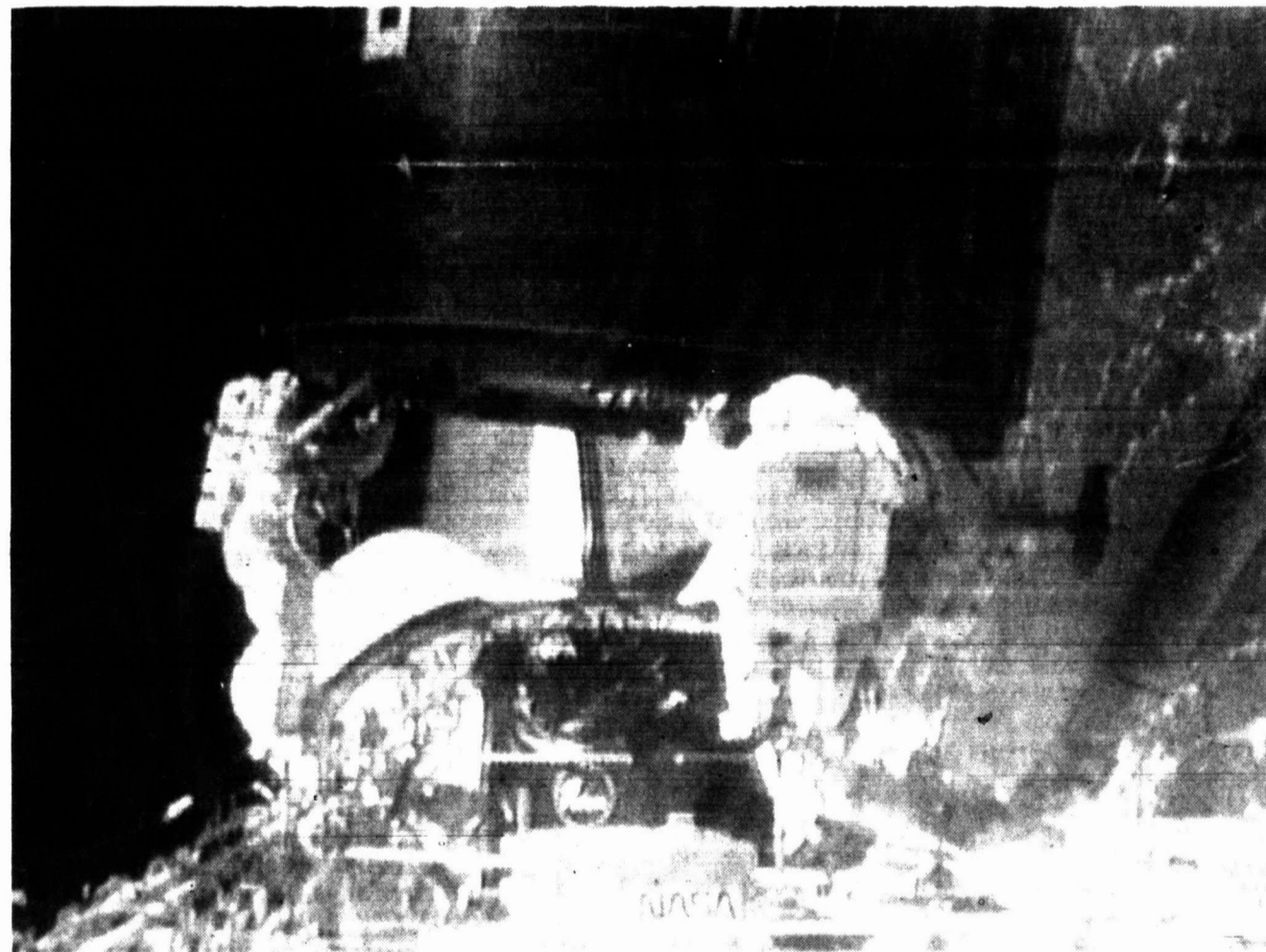
The success came at a time when many members of Congress want to whittle away money for manned space flight and the Bush administration has replaced NASA's leadership, viewing it as too wedded to shuttles and big, expensive projects.

Scientists have said NASA's exploration could be done better and cheaper by robots, but NASA argues that thinking, creative astronauts have a role in space that cannot be fulfilled by robots.

"We've rewritten the book on a number of things," flight director Al Pennington said.

The Thuot-Hieb-Akers team spent eight hours, 29 minutes in the cargo bay, breaking a 20-year-old spacewalking record set on the final Apollo moon flight.

The capture cost Intelsat \$147 million — \$93 million to NASA, \$46 million for the rocket, and \$8 million in other expenses.



(AP Photo)

Mission specialist Richard Hieb, left, Tom Akers and Pierre Thuot connect the capture bar to the satellite after successfully bringing it into Endeavour's cargo bay.

Lefors school board approves changes in cheerleaders policy

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

LEFORS — Lefors school board approved changes in the cheerleaders policy during a regular monthly meeting Tuesday.

Superintendent Joe Roper said the Junior High Mothers Club had looked at the high school cheerleader's policy and requested the junior high cheerleaders have basically the same policy.

The junior high and high school will have six cheerleaders next school year. For the junior high, regulations call for two sixth-graders, two seventh-graders and two eighth-graders to make up the squad.

Linda Roper will sponsor the junior high cheerleaders and Fran Moore will sponsor the high school cheerleaders.

Roper also said a pep squad is planned to help support the cheerleaders.

He added that last year he was not happy with participation in the cheerleading program.

"Sometimes last year we

would have one cheerleader at a basketball game," Roper said.

The mascot was eliminated this year from the junior high program.

In unrelated business, the board elected officers after trustees Keith Roberson and Barry Jackson were sworn into office. They won re-election in the May 2 election. New board member Clay Lock Jr. was unable to attend the meeting and will be sworn in at a later date.

New officers for the school board include: Roberson — president; Russell Bockmon — vice president; Jackson — first vice president; and Charlie Sullivan — secretary.

In other business, the board approved a technology plan for the 1992-93 school year as prepared by Mike Roper.

The superintendent said it details what Lefors Independent School District plans to do with the technology and what the costs will be in the next five years. For preparing the plan and getting it approved by the state, the school is scheduled to get \$30 per student, or a little more than \$4,000.

In other action, the board:

- accepted the donation of a piece of land north of the elementary school from Ruby Blackwell.

- approved contracts with Region XVI Service Center, estimated to cost \$10,000 if Lefors is able to form a cooperative with other area schools on librarian and counselor help. In the past year, Lefors ISD spent \$16,992.17 on the service center contracts.

- unanimously approved a \$7,110 contract with Josten's Computers for repair and replacement of software and equipment. In the past year, Lefors ISD spent about \$17,000 on the Josten's contract. Roper said the 1992-93 contract does not include a representative coming to the school twice a month.

- heard from Shari Davenport who urged the board members to participate in the Driving for Education program for Lefors schools next week at Culberson-Stowers.

- approved minutes of previous minutes.
- approved the payment of monthly bills.

New trial sought for officer in King case

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A judge will have the final say on a prosecutor's wish to retry one of the police officers charged in the beating of Rodney King and to hold the new trial in a city, not a suburb.

Meanwhile, four alleged gang members were to be arraigned today in the televised attack on a truck driver that occurred as riots erupted after the officers were acquitted on most of the charges.

District Attorney Ira Reiner said Damian Monroe "Football" Williams, 19, Henry Keith "Kiki" Watson, 27, and Antoine "Twan" Miller, 20, faced charges of attempted murder, aggravated mayhem, torture and second-degree robbery. Gary Williams, 33, faced one count of second-degree robbery.

The four black men were arrested Tuesday in the April 29 beating of white truck driver Reginald Denny. Authorities said they were affiliated with a street gang called the 8-Trey Gangster Crips.

On Wednesday night, a crowd from a gang unity march near the flash point of the rioting banged on sheriff's squad cars responding to disturbance calls.

About 300 law officers and National Guardsmen set up a command post and authorities cordoned off an eight-block area, but the crowd of about 200 people dispersed without additional incident. No injuries or arrests were reported.

The riots were touched off by a jury verdict acquitting three white officers of all charges in the beating of King, who is black, and acquitting Officer Laurence Powell of all but one charge.

Reiner said he would ask Superior Court Judge Stanley Weisberg on Friday to retry Powell on a charge of assault under color of authority, which the jury had deadlocked on.

The prosecutor also said he wanted the retrial to be held in Los Angeles County or some other urban area. The first trial was held in suburban Simi Valley.

"I understand there are many people that feel that to retry Laurence Powell on this one charge is to reopen wounds," Reiner said. "My feeling is that healing begins with justice and justice was not done in the Rodney King case."

Weisberg, who presided over the first trial, would decide whether to grant a retrial and where it would be

held. An appeals court order that moved the trial out of Los Angeles County because of the highly charged political situation there remains in effect.

Powell's attorney, Michael Stone, did not return telephone calls Wednesday.

Meanwhile, about 4,000 National Guard troops from a 10,000-strong force withdrew from the city. Gov. Pete Wilson had ordered the troops to Los Angeles to help restore order.

"We did a good job. I felt good about it," said Guardsman Ronald de Jesus. "The people made me feel good about it."

Wilson said the remaining 6,000 troops would leave gradually. About 3,000 Marines and Army troops were withdrawn last week.

Fifty-one people died and 2,383 were hurt in the riots. Damage estimates approached \$800 million and thousands of homes and businesses were burned down.

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Honors

4. Ladonna Sumpter; 4.0311; daughter of Darell and Donna Sumpter; plans to attend University of Texas at Arlington, majoring in finance. Activities and awards: band president, Fellowship of Christian Musicians chairman, Teens Needing Teens, Science Club, NHS, First Baptist Church choir librarian, FBC drama group and FBC Youth Council.

5. Crystal DeShon Woods; 3.9689 GPA; daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. I.L. Patrick; plans to attend Baylor University, majoring in computer engineering. Activities and awards: Latin Club, Science Club, NHS, regional UIL academics, Macedonia Baptist Church Sunday school secretary and Vacation Bible School worker.

6. Troy Avendanio; 3.95 GPA; son of Dr. Prudencio and Amy Avendanio; plans to attend Trinity University, majoring in pre-medicine. Activities and awards: band vice-president, Student Council senior class representative, state UIL qualifier in typing, NHS, Texas Bar Association mock trial, Hoechst Celanese Community Advisory Panel, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church youth group, and Pampa Optimist Club outstanding student.

7. Kristen Becker; 3.9037; daughter of Ade and Diane Becker; plans to attend Texas Tech, majoring in business. Activities and awards: Key Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, NHS vice-president, volleyball (all-district honorable mention, all-district academic, all-state academic), basketball (2nd team all-district, all-district honorable mention, all-academic team in Hays tourney, all-state academic, 3-point winner in Golden Spread All-Star Classic, softball, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.

8. Tanya Elms; 3.8437; daughter of Mark and Belinda Elms; plans to attend Texas Tech, majoring in hotel, restaurant and institutional management. Activities and awards: NHS recording secretary, Student Council historian, Science Club, Theater Arts best supporting actress, cheerleader treasurer, United Methodist youth.

9. Amanda Miller; 3.82; daughter of Stan and Pama Miller; plans to attend West Texas State University. Activities: Business Professionals of America president, NHS, Key Club, varsity track, Central Baptist Church youth group.

10. Shelley Leigh Vinson; 3.8119; daughter of Herman and

Jana Vinson; plans to attend Baylor University, majoring in chemistry/pre-med. Activities and awards: lead in *Hello, Dolly!*, concert choir vice president, Science Club president, Show Choir, Texas Choral Directors Association Award, First Baptist Church choir vice president, Key Club, pre-school teacher at FBC, Optimist Club Outstanding Youth award, Lions Club sweetheart.

11. Kerry Elisabeth White; 3.7556; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hannah; plans to attend the University of Texas at Arlington. Activities and awards: DECA first place in district competition, band, color guard, NHS, Science Club, 4H fashion club, Coronado Hospital volunteer, First Baptist Church youth group.

12. Sameer Mohan; 3.7318; son of Dr. Vijay and Mrs. Shanta Mohan; plans to attend the University of Texas, majoring in pre-med or political science. Activities and awards: NHS, Key Club, Student Council, varsity tennis district doubles champion and most valuable team player award, symphonic band, outstanding freshman band student, all-region symphonic band.

13. Lisa Jeffery; 3.6667; daughter of James and Nita Mathis; plans to attend the University of Texas, majoring in physical therapy. Activities and honors: NHS, varsity basketball, Latin Club, speech and debate clubs, track, Miss June-teenth pageant.

14. Lorie Breithaupt; 3.6391; daughter of Hugo and Diane Breithaupt; plans to attend Angelo State University, majoring in education. Activities: NHS, Science Club, Latin Club secretary, choir, concert choir officer, Key Club, First United Methodist Church.

15. Tony Fields; 3.6250; son of Sam and Jeanne Fields; plans to attend West Texas State University, majoring in chemical engineering. Activities and honors: NHS, top 10 in eighth grade, Who's Who Among American High School Students, First Assembly of God youth group.

16. Jennifer Mouhot; 3.61; daughter of Ray and Jane Mouhot; plans to attend Angelo State University, majoring in special education. Activities: concert choir, show choir, NHS, Key Club, peer tutoring for handicapped, All-State Choir, First Baptist Church youth council, Pampa Sheltered Workshop volunteer, Good Samaritan Christian Services volunteer, Lions Club Sweetheart.

17. Summer Ziegelgruber; 3.6118; daughter of Lee and Carol Ziegelgruber; plans to attend Texas Tech, majoring in physical therapy. Activities and honors: NHS, student council, senior class president, varsity cheerleader, choir, Hi-Land Christian Church.

18. Julie Smith; 3.6022; daughter of Virgil and Mary Etta Smith; plans to attend Abilene Christian University, majoring in chemistry. Activities: concert choir historian, Science Club, *Hello, Dolly!*, Teens Needing Teens, HNS, Key Club, Church of Christ youth group.

19. Amber Seaton; 3.5241; daughter of Charles and Jeanene Gurley; plans to attend Baylor University, majoring in studio art. Activities and honors: NHS, student council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes activities director, varsity basketball (all district honorable mention, all district academic team, 1st team all district, newcomer of the year, Golden Spread All-Star Classic MVP, all-tourney player-Hays - Shootout, Ms. Shootout- Panhandle Plains Honor Roll Magazine, all-district academic team).

20. Jay Wyatt Earp; 3.4776; son of Wyatt and Raynetta Earp; plans to attend Oklahoma Christian University, majoring in mechanical engineering. Activities and honors: golf MVP, choir, NHS, student council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Church of Christ youth song leader.

21. Leigh Ann Lindsey; 3.4771; daughter of Tommy and Susie Lindsey; plans to attend Texas Tech, majoring in dentistry. Activities: varsity cheerleader, volleyball, student council, NHS, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Central Baptist Church, Lions Club Queen.

22. Jennifer Kathryn Topper; 3.4659; daughter of Mark and Kathy Topper; plans to attend Clarendon College, majoring in pre-pharmacy. Activities and honors: student body treasurer, Teens Needing Teens, DECA, outstanding geometry student, NHS, 1991 U.S. Achievement Award in Foreign Language, mothers day out at Methodist Church, church volleyball league.

Fun Days ahead



Lefors Emergency Services is planning its annual "Fun Days" on July 4 with booths, games crafts, food, garage sale and auction. From left are Rick Callaway, Liz Atchley, Peggie Day, Lanny Atchley, Suzie Summers and chairwoman Ruby Kellison, talking over the plans for the day and looking at an example of a craft that will be available for purchase. Booth space is free, but those wanting booths are asked to contact one of the above committee members by June 15.

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Study: Residents near Pantex show normal cancer rate

AMARILLO (AP) - Neighbors of the Pantex nuclear weapons assembly plant doubt a Texas Department of Health study showing their cancer rate is below the state average.

Jeri Osborne, a member of the group Panhandle Area Neighbors and Landowners which requested the study, says her data shows a high rate of cancer for residents in southwest Carson County, where Pantex is located.

She said she plans to seek a full copy of the study recently conducted by the health department and the names of cancer victims used in the study.

"At no time did I ever say that one of these cancers was the result of Pantex, but I do feel like there is certainly that possibility," Mrs. Osborne said. "I think the TDH went about it that they were going to prove that there was not a problem."

Pantex, which is 15 miles northeast of Amarillo, is the nation's final assembly point for nuclear weapons.

The study by the TDH, which was funded by a grant from the Department of Energy, noted cancer cases detected from 1980-1990 of those living in the southwest portion of Carson County.

The research showed 72 out of 18,914 men who lived in the area over the 11-year period contracted cancer. While 63 out of 19,561 women were diagnosed with cancer over the same time period.

"Based on the cancer incidence data, no significant excess of cancer exists in the southwest quadrant of Carson County," Tim Rainbolt, a DHS epidemiologist, wrote in a letter to Mrs. Osborne.

"The finding parallels a previous analysis, which showed the total cancer experience of Carson County to be lower than what would be expected based on the cancer mortality experience of the entire state of Texas," the letter said.

"I believed from the very beginning that they were going to give us the company line, and I believe that's what we got," Mrs. Osborne said.

Many area cancer victims may have since moved out of Carson County, said Mrs. Osborne, whose house is adjacent to the weapons plant.

"It is possible some of the people moved away that weren't included," Rainbolt said Wednesday. "And probably some who moved away never had cancer. It's practically impossible for us to track them down."

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Beaten dissident



Dissident Han Dong Fang sits in the bedroom of his Beijing, China, apartment today and describes being beaten and stunned with an electric prod by court officials who summoned him to discuss a dispute over his housing. Last week, U.S. Undersecretary of State Arnold Kanter was told by Chinese officials that Han and one other dissident could leave the country. (AP Photo)

Gorbachev rejects anti-semitism, gets Democracy Award

NEW YORK (AP) — It was an extraordinary moment: Mikhail Gorbachev condemned anti-Semitism as he stood on a stage with an Israeli flag, moments after being blessed by a rabbi.

Jewish leaders had long sought a denunciation of anti-Semitism from the Soviet Union's last president, and he couldn't have been clearer.

"I resolutely reject and condemn anti-Semitism," Gorbachev said Wednesday. "It is one of the worst manifestations of national socialism."

Gorbachev was to leave New York today for Washington, where he was scheduled to speak in the Capitol's Statuary Hall to members of Congress. He also planned to visit the White House.

Yeshiva University gave Gorbachev its Democracy Award for allowing Jews to emigrate freely, for re-establishing relations between his nation and Israel, and for his role in the demise of Communism in his country. He was given a \$100,000 honorarium from an anonymous donor.

"Just a few years ago, such a meeting would hardly have been possible," Gorbachev said after receiving the award.

At a fund-raiser for the university, Gorbachev said he regretted the departure of thousands of Jews from the former Soviet Union once an emigration quota was lifted. He said they had done "a great deal for Russia" and were needed.

Jewish leaders who had met with Gorbachev a day earlier anticipated the content of his speech and praised him.

But a local activist, Rabbi Avi Weiss, head of the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry, said anti-Semitism flourished during Gorbachev's tenure.

"Gorbachev is not, as the Democracy Award intimated, the man who let the Jews go," Weiss said in a statement. "The credit goes to those who forced his hand."

Gorbachev also met privately with a dozen religious leaders and scholars and told them that while he doesn't follow a religion, he found it "important to be committed to freedom, justice, humane values, human moral goals."

"Democracy can be dangerous without such an undergirding," Gorbachev said, according to notes taken at the private session by David Ramage, president of McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago.

Earlier, Gorbachev became a card-carrying capitalist, receiving a gold-colored entry badge to the New York Stock Exchange.

The last Communist leader of the Soviet Union schmoozed with money movers and shakers and inched through a cheering throng of 2,700 on the exchange floor. Former President Reagan also appeared.

Gorbachev's schedule Wednesday, his last day in New York on a 14-day "goodwill tour" of the United States, also included a speech to 2,600 executives of the Economic Club of New York.

He told them that investing in Russia would support its fledgling democracy and could bring large profits.

Senate sustains Bush veto of campaign bill

By MATT YANCEY
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush maintained his perfect veto record as Senate Republicans voted almost unanimously to support his rejection of a campaign finance bill that even sponsoring Democrats admitted was doomed from the start.

Democrats failed by nine votes, 57-42, to muster the two-thirds majority needed Wednesday to override Bush's long-promised veto of their bill to cap what congressional candidates can spend to get elected.

"Every member of the Senate knew precisely what would happen," said Minority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., who accused Democrats of "slapping together a political cover bill they

knew wouldn't become law."

Bush vetoed the bill last Saturday, calling it a "taxpayer-financed incumbent protection plan" that would perpetuate "the corrupting influence of special interests."

The bill would have replaced about half of the money that business, labor and ideological groups now give to House and Senate candidates with public dollars that would have come from a new checkoff on tax returns or through a tax on lobbyists.

Republicans complained it would have put a fence around their party's biggest sources of money — small businessmen and corporate executives — while leaving untouched the millions of dollars that unions spend independently on behalf of Democratic candidates.

Democrats who have worked on

the legislation for a decade vowed to make it an election issue this fall and try again next year.

"This is a matter that is on the national agenda to stay," said Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., the bill's primary author. "There will be enough backlash one of these days to the special interest money coming into the system to do it."

The bill would have offered House candidates between \$200,000 and \$250,000 in federal matching funds and Senate candidates between \$300,000 and \$1.4 million.

It would have limited House candidates to spending between \$600,000 to \$750,000 on election campaigns, and Senate candidates to between \$1.6 million and \$8.9 million, depending on the population of their states.

Under the legislation, PACs could have put up no more than one-third of any House candidates total funds, compared with the last election when they provided more than half of the money raised by incumbents. Senate candidates could have accepted no more than 20 percent of their total campaign funds from PACs.

Only three Republican senators — David Durenberger of Minnesota, James Jeffords of Vermont and John McCain of Arizona — voted with Democrats to override the veto. Durenberger and McCain both were caught up in ethics scandals the past two years.

Democratic Sens. Ernest Hollings of South Carolina and Richard Shelby of Alabama joined Republicans in voting to sustain Bush's veto.

Study: Bad gene linked with form of cancer in young

BOSTON (AP) — A gene already linked with several kinds of cancer may sometimes be involved when youngsters with the disease develop a second unrelated malignancy, a new study concludes.

The study links the risk of these new bouts of cancer with an error in a gene that ordinarily keeps the body from developing tumors.

Doctors from Massachusetts General Hospital studied 59 children and young adults who had developed a second cancer. Four of them, or 7 percent, had mutations in a gene called p53.

The researchers estimated that ordinarily only about 1 in 10,000 people have mutations in this gene.

Errors in p53 have been associated with other cancers, including colon, breast and lung cancer.

The latest study, conducted by Dr. David Malkin and others, was published in today's New England Journal of Medicine.

The p53 gene helps control the growth of tissue. When the gene is damaged, cells lack one of the regulators that help balance growth.

'Brady Bunch' patriarch dead at 59

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Robert Reed, who trained as a Shakespearean actor only to gain fame as the father of TV's "The Brady Bunch," died of colon cancer at age 59, his family said.

He died Tuesday night at Huntington Memorial Hospital, said his daughter, Karen Baldwin. "He fought a very tough battle for about six months," she said.

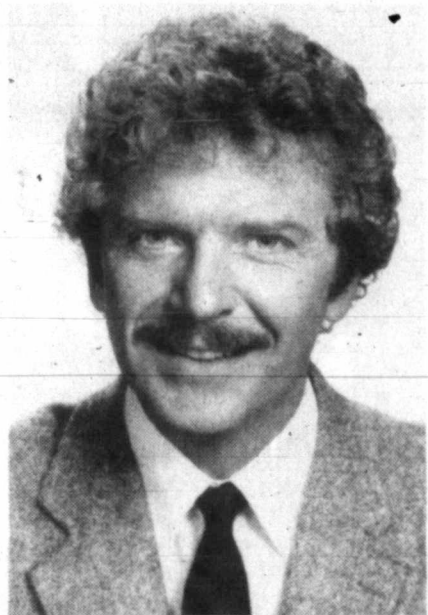
Reed appeared in movies, on Broadway and in several TV shows, but was best known for his role as widower Mike Brady, the father of three boys, who married a widow, Carol, played by Florence Henderson, with three daughters.

"A few weeks ago, he asked me to call all the kids to tell them it didn't look good for him," said Miss Henderson. "We were all devastated. We cried. We are a family and we have lost our father."

"I loved him dearly and I'll miss him very much," said Maureen McCormick, who played the oldest daughter, Marcia.

It was a vintage American family show, where minor events as driving tests and jilted dates were the basis for entire episodes, but an uncomfortable role for Reed, who attended acting schools in London with Diana Rigg, Albert Finney and Peter O'Toole.

"We fought over the scripts," he said in a 1983 interview with The Associated Press. "Always over the



Robert Reed

scripts. The producer, Sherwood Schwartz, had done "Gilligan's Island" ... Just gag lines. That would have been what "The Brady Bunch" would have been if I hadn't protested."

The series made its debut Sept. 26, 1969, and was an ABC Friday night fixture until Aug. 30, 1974. It lives on in reruns.

A "Brady Bunch Hour" was broadcast briefly by ABC in 1977, with much of the original cast, including Reed. In 1990, CBS presented "The Bradys," which also featured Reed.

A stage version of "The Brady Bunch" has played in New York

and is now playing in Los Angeles.

Barry Williams, who played big brother Greg, wrote in his new book "Growing Up Brady" that despite sticking with the role, Reed never really reconciled himself to the low-brow sitcom format.

Reed, who was born in Highland Park, Ill., studied drama at Northwestern University and attended London's Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts and the University of London.

He was nominated for three Emmy Awards, including one for his 1975 work on "Medical Center," in which he played a transsexual doctor.

Reed played a decadent playboy in the TV mini-series "Rich Man, Poor Man" and a plantation owner in "Roots." Other TV credits include "Nightmare in Badhram County," "Revenge for a Rape," and "Boy in the Plastic Bubble."

He co-starred on the CBS series "The Defenders," and once said that "playing opposite E.G. Marshall was one of the great privileges of an actor's life."

On Broadway, Reed appeared in "Barefoot in the Park," "Death Trap" and "Avanti." He appeared in the movies "Hurry Sundown" and "Star."

He is survived by his daughter, his mother, Helen Rietz, and a grandson, William Ryan.

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Cartier jewels sparkle again in czars' palace

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia (AP) — Diamonds, rubies and sapphires that sparkled when the last czars ruled Russia have returned to the palace of the royals, casting a fleeting shimmer of opulence over the gloom of St. Petersburg.

The jewels of Cartier, symbol of a bygone era, went on display Wednesday in the decaying splendor of the Winter Palace, home of the last six czars and the Hermitage Museum, which is badly in need of renovation.

Outside, the rain fell on grimy, potholed streets and thousands of St. Petersburg residents dodged in and out of shops, where prices have soared as the country tries painfully to adopt free market mechanisms.

For some Russians at the Cartier opening, the jewels of the past brought hope for a better life.

"We can turn away from everyday life and see something beautiful and unusual," said Eleanor Teleshina, a construction engineer. "I forgot about all my problems — and I have many."

Vladimir Kolomensky, director of the Mining Museum at the Leningrad Mining Institute, said the czars were great admirers of jewelry and he expects Russian women in the 1990s to be wearing Cartier's jewels again.

"If it were some time ago, I would say no. But now, we're developing a market economy and we have many millionaires who can afford to present jewelry to the ladies of their hearts," he said.

Cartier is planning to open its first boutique in Moscow in September, selling watches and fragrances. Eric Nussbaum, director of Cartier's antique collection of 1,000 pieces, said selling designer jewels in Russia again is a possibility.

"Not tomorrow, but maybe not as far away as you'd think," he said.

The exhibition, "The Art of Cartier," runs until June 20 and is among the first major Western shows at the Hermitage since the collapse of Communism.

At the opening, the only designer jewels worn were on some of the more than 150 foreign glitterati and journalists flown in from European capitals and the United States.

An equal number of invited Russians stood out in their dated, styleless suits and dresses and cheap costume earrings and necklaces.

For all, however, it was a chance to view Cartier's masterpieces, listen to an ensemble led by one of Russia's leading violinists, Vladimir Spivakov, and dine on French champagne, red and black caviar, escargot and poached salmon.

Security guards armed with machine guns and walkie-talkies patrolled the two rooms at the Hermitage where the 216 antique pieces, many inspired by Louis and Pierre Cartier's visits to Russia in the early 1900s, glittered in glass cases.

The St. Petersburg newspaper Nevskoye Vremya said insurance has been priced by French and British companies at about \$30 million.



Soldiers from the Yugoslav National Army unload weapons from a truck Thursday in Ilidza, a suburb of the Bosnian capital of Sarajevo. (AP Photo)

Fighting fierce after U.N. declares peacekeeping mission too dangerous

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — The battle for Sarajevo resumed today with new intensity: Muslim and Serb fighters fought a fierce artillery duel and shells were said to hit a hotel and vehicles used by U.N. peacekeepers.

The fighting began at dawn, just hours after U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali declared strife-torn Bosnia-Herzegovina too dangerous for U.N. peacekeepers to further maintain their frustrated mission.

He also said the Serbian population of Bosnia was largely to blame for the violence in the republic, which began when the majority Muslims and Croats endorsed independence in a February referendum.

Serb irregulars, often backed by the Serb-dominated Yugoslav army, have seized about half the republic in the fighting, which has claimed at least 1,300 lives. There was no immediate word on today's casualties.

But one member of the U.N. peacekeeping force was wounded when the hotel where the team is staying was hit five times by shells, a French non-commissioned officer with the U.N. force said by telephone.

The Frenchman, who did not identify himself, said all U.N. personnel were in shelters and all were accounted for.

A Russian officer, Igor Filipov, said U.N. headquarters in the capital's new town had not been hit but that smoke was rising from the parking lot, with about 10 U.N. vehicles apparently hit by shelling.

The deafening cracks of artillery fire echoed through Sarajevo, especially over the western Serbian suburb of Ilidza and nearby Muslim areas of Butmir, Dobrinja, Sokolovci Kolonija and Mojililo.

Shelling was continuing five hours after it started, and a Sarajevo defense official said in a radio broadcast that virtually the entire city was under bombardment.

Jovan Divjak, deputy territorial defense commander, appealed on the radio for all citizens to be prepared to defend Sarajevo from an all-out Serbian attack.

In Serb-held Ilidza, at least two grenades hit a hotel where most foreign journalists are staying. The Serbian press center in the hotel later issued a statement prohibiting any filming or photography around the hotel.

"Non-observance of these rules could put your life in danger," the statement said.

Serbs fired on positions around the airport held by Bosnia's Muslim-dominated defense forces.

Elements of the defense forces have been threatening to attack the airport. They are impatient with President Alija Izetbegovic's attempts to continue peace talks with the Serbs, who have surrounded Sarajevo and are blocking vital food and medicine supplies.

Sarajevo radio, under bombardment itself, also reported clashes around Zenica to the north and Gorazde in the east.

There have been repeated reports of heavy casualties in Gorazde in attacks by Serb-led forces in recent days. Gorazde houses thousands of refugees from other Muslims areas captured by the Serbs.

Boutros-Ghali announced Wednesday that U.N. peacekeeping efforts in Bosnia will now be confined to a limited presence in Sarajevo and around Mostar.

In a report to the Security Council in New York, he said the U.N. peacekeeping operation in Croatia,

where about 10,000 troops were to be deployed to separate fighting Serbs and Croats, is also in jeopardy.

Boutros-Ghali's report made it clear that the U.N. had failed in its efforts to mediate the dispute over extending U.N.-protected areas in Croatia to include Serb territory now controlled by the federal army.

In Sarajevo on Wednesday, Gen. Lewis Mackenzie of the U.N. peacekeeping mission told reporters that 200 of the mission's 300 members in Bosnia would be pulled out in the next few days.

In New York, Boutros-Ghali left no doubt in his report as to who he considered the aggressors.

"All international observers agree that what is happening is a concerted effort by the Serbs of Bosnia-Herzegovina, with the acquiescence of, and at least some support from (the Yugoslav federal army), to create 'ethnically pure' regions" in the republic.

Santiago holds slim lead in Philippine elections

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Miriam Defensor Santiago was locked today in a seesaw battle with Fidel Ramos for the lead in the presidential race as tensions mounted because of the slow count and allegations of fraud.

Vice President Salvador Laurel, who was trailing the seven-member field, conceded defeat and called on his supporters to prevent Mrs. Santiago from being cheated out of victory in the race to succeed President Corazon Aquino.

Both she and Ramos variously held slender leads in private tallies, which are based on official figures. The official tabulation of the Commission on Elections is not expected to be released for days.

Monday's balloting for 17,000 posts contested among 87,000 candidates was the largest election in the nation's history. The seven presidential candidates include Imelda Marcos, wife of the late President Ferdinand Marcos.

Confusion over the election's outcome fueled allegations of violations, including vote-buying, ballot thefts and intimidation.

The Philippines' long and notorious history of fraudulent elections added to public skepticism over the balloting.

Protests mounted in scattered areas across the country.

In the latest report, supporters of a mayoralty candidate in Mauban town in Quezon province, 50 miles southeast of Manila, stormed the municipal hall Wednesday and burned ballots.

The demonstrators were protesting alleged election fraud by the incumbent mayor, private radio ZNN reported. No arrests were made.

In Manila, media stopped broadcasts of their private counts by noon today to comply with an election commission order aimed at reducing confusion.



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Palestinians take offensive in peace talks

OTTAWA (AP) — Palestinians at talks on Mideast refugees have quickly taken the offensive, immediately laying the most controversial issue of all on the table — their right to return to their former homes in Israel.

But Israel wasn't there to hear the criticism on opening day Wednesday — it is boycotting the talks in part because the right of return was expected to be raised.

"The Palestinian refugee problem is the political core of the question of Palestine," Palestinian delegation leader Elias Saabbar, a professor at the Sorbonne in Paris, told the conference Wednesday in his opening statement.

"Without the solemn recognition of the refugees' right to return, the life of the Palestinian people as well as the affairs of the region cannot be normalized," said Saabbar.

Even before the talks got under way, delegation member Muhammad Hallaj, a U.S. citizen who directs the Center for Policy Analysis on Palestine in Washington, held a news conference to say the right of return is "an inherent right."

"This is not the first time in history that people become displaced. And almost always and everywhere as soon as hostilities cease, the displaced return," he said. "So we are not trying to reinvent the wheel by talking about the right of Palestinians to return."

Israel rejects the Palestinians' right of return.

The Israelis say that if the right of return were exercised, the country would be engulfed by masses of people hostile to its very existence. It also would mean Israel would no longer be a Jewish state.

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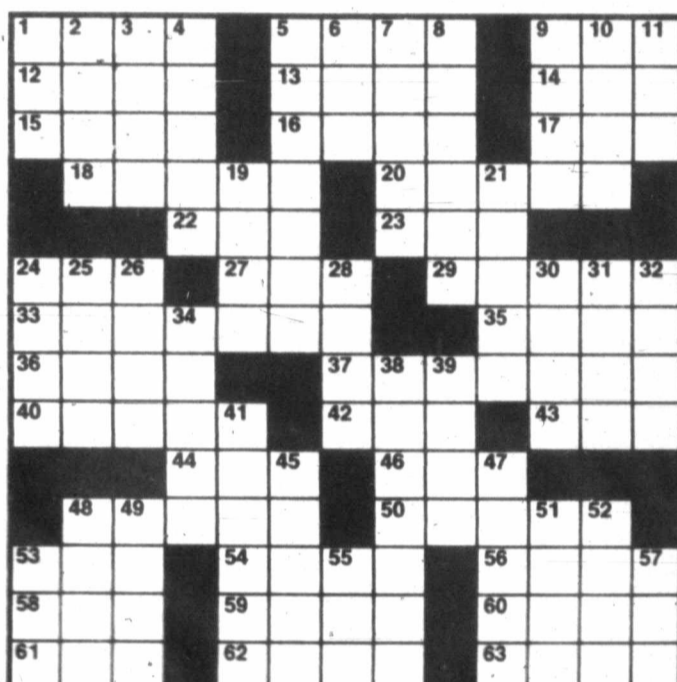
- ACROSS**
- 1 E pluribus
 - 5 Hi or bye
 - 9 Buddhism type
 - 12 Place confidence
 - 13 Comedian
 - 14 In the past
 - 15 Negative command (cont.)
 - 16 Surface measures
 - 17 Relative
 - 18 Prophet
 - 20 Birthmark
 - 22 Sign at sell-out (abbr.)
 - 23 Light feather
 - 24 Last letter
 - 27 US soldiers
 - 29 Informal language
 - 33 Most repulsive
 - 35 Small sword

- DOWN**
- 36 Cut of meat
 - 37 Countless
 - 40 Common practice
 - 42 Incorrect (pref.)
 - 43 Mrs. in Madrid
 - 44 Spanish gold
 - 46 Swift aircraft (abbr.)
 - 48 High up (2 wds.)
 - 50 Halls
 - 53 Animal garden
 - 54 Mild expletive
 - 56 Hawaiian food fish
 - 58 Containing nitrogen
 - 59 Roof overhang
 - 60 Motion picture
 - 61 — and ink
 - 62 Water craft
 - 63 Female birds

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- DOWN**
- 1 Type of bean
 - 2 Gas for signs
 - 3 Skeleton part
 - 4 Legends
 - 5 Soft cloth
 - 6 Comparative suffix
 - 7 Field of action
 - 8 Preoccupy
 - 9 Actress Pitts
 - 10 Protection (var.)
 - 11 Head (sl.)
 - 19 Exhort
 - 21 Hotel employee
 - 24 South African tribe
 - 25 Conceals
 - 26 Charles Lamb
 - 28 Partly fermented grape juice
 - 30 Chimps, e.g.
 - 31 — do-well
 - 32 Actress Rowlands
 - 34 Bar of metal
 - 38 Error
 - 39 Attention-getting sound
 - 41 Wears away
 - 45 Talk-show host
 - 47 Winfrey
 - 47 One of the senses
 - 48 Leak out
 - 49 Part of the day
 - 51 Ballet movement
 - 52 Fiber plant
 - 53 Destroy (sl.)
 - 55 Bird (comb. form)
 - 57 Roman bronze



WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

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By Johnny Hart

MARVIN

IF THAT'S YOUR BEST OFFER, I'LL TAKE IT. LET ME SEE IF I CAN GET MY MANAGER TO GO ANYWHERE ELSEWHERE.

YOU SEE, JENNY? YOU GOTTA KNOW HOW TO PLAY HARDBALL WITH THESE GUYS.

GOT ANOTHER MINOR LEAGUER ABOUT READY TO SWING AT A SUCKER PITCH, BOSS.

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By Brad Anderson

KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

ALLEY OOP

WHAT DO YOU THINK, DOC? TIME TO BRING THEM HOME?

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GIVE ME A FEW MINUTES TO GET THINGS READY!

OKAY, BUT DON'T TAKE TOO LONG!

...IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S A PRETTY GOOD STORM HEADED IN OUR DIRECTION!

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By Bill Keane

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By Dick Cavalli

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FRANK AND ERNEST

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You might be required to make a difficult decision today with peripheral results that could affect several individuals. If you try to do what's best for all concerned, it should work out. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences governing you in the year ahead. Send for Taurus Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your most substantial rewards today are likely to come from situations in which you face the greatest challenges. Don't let obstacle awareness cause you to chicken out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) In order to be successful today, you must be singularly devoted to one type of activity. It could be either all work or all play, but don't attempt to mix the two.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) An unusual shift in conditions today could prove to be a bit mystifying. If you're unable to perceive its direction, it might hamper your success.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) An endeavor you're presently involved in requires more knowledge than you possess. Seek counselors, but be absolutely certain they know a lot more than you do.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you're enterprising today, you might figure out a way to gain a substantial return from a source that is not the one from which you earn your daily bread.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try to work from an organized agenda today. If you don't have proper guidelines, there's a chance you could merely spin your wheels and accomplish little.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Something of substance is coming to you, but as of now, you haven't been able to put it in your pocket. Today's happenings behind the scenes might help to break the logjam.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Remember who you are and why you're there, and you'll be able to deal successfully with a large group today. Don't be intimidated by a lot of strange faces.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your probabilities for achieving an important objective look good today, provided you have a continuity to your efforts. Don't operate in a piecemeal fashion.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Protect your interests today, but don't do it in a way that could inconvenience others involved in the endeavor. Being too self-serving will be detrimental for all.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your luck will be proportionate to your industriousness today. The harder you strive, the more likely you'll be rewarded for the efforts you expend.

Sports

Southwest Outdoors

By Mel Phillips



Pampa's Rickey Bryan places 2nd at tourney

Last week we discussed the need to add a safety pin style spinnerbait to your tackle box. Every pro and successful fisherman uses this dependable lure, but each will modify it in hopes of catching more fish.

Blade styles vary from the Colorado (round blade) to the Tennessee (oblong blade), and finally the willowleaf (skinny pointed blade). Every angler will develop "confidence" in some combination of these blades. I favor using a single blade (Tennessee style) until the water temperature reaches 65 degrees and then switch over to a tandem style - a small Colorado blade in front of a large willowleaf. During the dog days of summer, a tandem willowleaf will work wonders if you are the only angler using that combination.

Blade color can be the easiest part of the selection process. Tournament expert BILLY MOORE suggests every fisherman needs three colors of blades - silver, gold, and black.

When rigging tandem blades, silver in front of gold is the norm. Mixing a small silver Colorado in front of a bigger gold Tennessee (or gold willowleaf) can load the boat.

Minimum selection might include a total of six spinnerbaits. Three 1/4 oz. lures - one with #4 black Colorado blade, one with tandem rigged #3 silver Colorado in front of #5 gold Tennessee and finally a double willowleaf - #3 silver in front of a #4 gold. Three 1/2 oz. lures rigged with larger blades than the 1/4 oz. sizes. Buy several extra Colorado, Tennessee and willowleaf blades and start your search for the perfect spinnerbait.

After all that information, I now offer the BEST piece of advice on using a spinnerbait. "No matter how it is rigged, bump something on every cast." According to experts like GORDON CUMMINGS of Spearman, most strikes will occur after the bait is deflected off of something - a rock, tree, weed or even the bottom.

The Lake Meredith Fun Tournament was won by Borger's J.L. (SlugGo) CHATWELL who weighed in two nice smallmouths and won \$250 and a trophy ring. Second place and \$108 went to Pampa's RICKEY BRYAN who caught a beautiful 3 pound smallmouth. Third place and \$70 went to JOHN MCWILLIAMS. The \$50 Luck of the Draw was won by HANK MCWILLIAMS.

Next Fun Fishing Tournament is May 21 at LAKE GREEN-BELT. Cost is only \$20 and registration at south ramp starts at 4:30 with bass fishing from 6:00 til 9:00 p.m.

LAKE BAYLOR will be the site of Big Bass Tournament starting at dawn on Saturday. Entry fee is \$60 and limited to 100 anglers. Call 353-3654 for details.

Cavaliers dump Celtics, 114-98

By CHUCK MELVIN
AP Sports Writer

RICHFIELD, Ohio (AP) — Craig Ehlo adopted a new attitude this year. The occasional bad game wasn't going to bother him.

"But an 'oh-fer' night; you keep track of those," Ehlo said Wednesday night after he bounced back from an 0-for-9 performance by making his first eight shots as Cleveland beat the Boston Celtics 114-98, giving the Cavaliers a 3-2 lead in the Eastern Conference semifinals.

The series moves to Boston for Game 6 Friday night. A seventh game, if needed, would be played in Richfield on Sunday.

Ehlo was an unlikely hero because he has struggled with his shooting throughout the playoffs. A sprained knee sidelined him for 19 games late in the year, giving him little chance to work back into shape before the playoffs began.

He shot 30 percent from the floor in Cleveland's first eight playoff games and was outscored 42-1 by Boston counterpart Reggie Lewis in Sunday's game in Boston, which Cleveland won in overtime.

"I'm not a pure shooter, but I'm a good shooter," Ehlo said. "You leave me alone, I think I can knock it down. I only went 0 for 9 on Sunday so they'd leave me alone."

Cleveland coach Lenny Wilkens, perhaps hoping to rebuild Ehlo's confidence, called Ehlo's number immediately Wednesday night.

"The first play was designed for me. We ended up having to go to somebody else, but it felt good," Ehlo said.

Ehlo's chance came several minutes later, when the Celtics left him wide open for a 3-pointer. He nailed it, and followed with an 18-footer two minutes later that forced Boston to rethink its defensive plans.

"We get another guy like Craig

who's shooting like that, it just opens things up for us inside," John Williams said. "After he hit a couple, they had to move out on him."

"To come off an injury and right into the playoffs like he did isn't easy. He really didn't have much chance to get ready for the playoffs."

Ehlo's shooting helped keep the pressure off Cleveland's front line of Brad Daugherty, Larry Nance and Williams, who responded by completely outplaying the Celtics' front line. Daugherty scored 28 points and Nance and Daugherty had 18 each. Ehlo had 20 points, a career-high 13 assists and six rebounds.

Boston got 13 points from Larry Bird, four from Robert Parish and two from Kevin McHale. Those three combined for two points in the second half.

"It's really sad to have a big game like that and play that way," said McHale, 1 for 9 from the floor. "Sometimes a game like this wakes you up and puts you in a whole different gear. That's what we need, to get into a different gear."

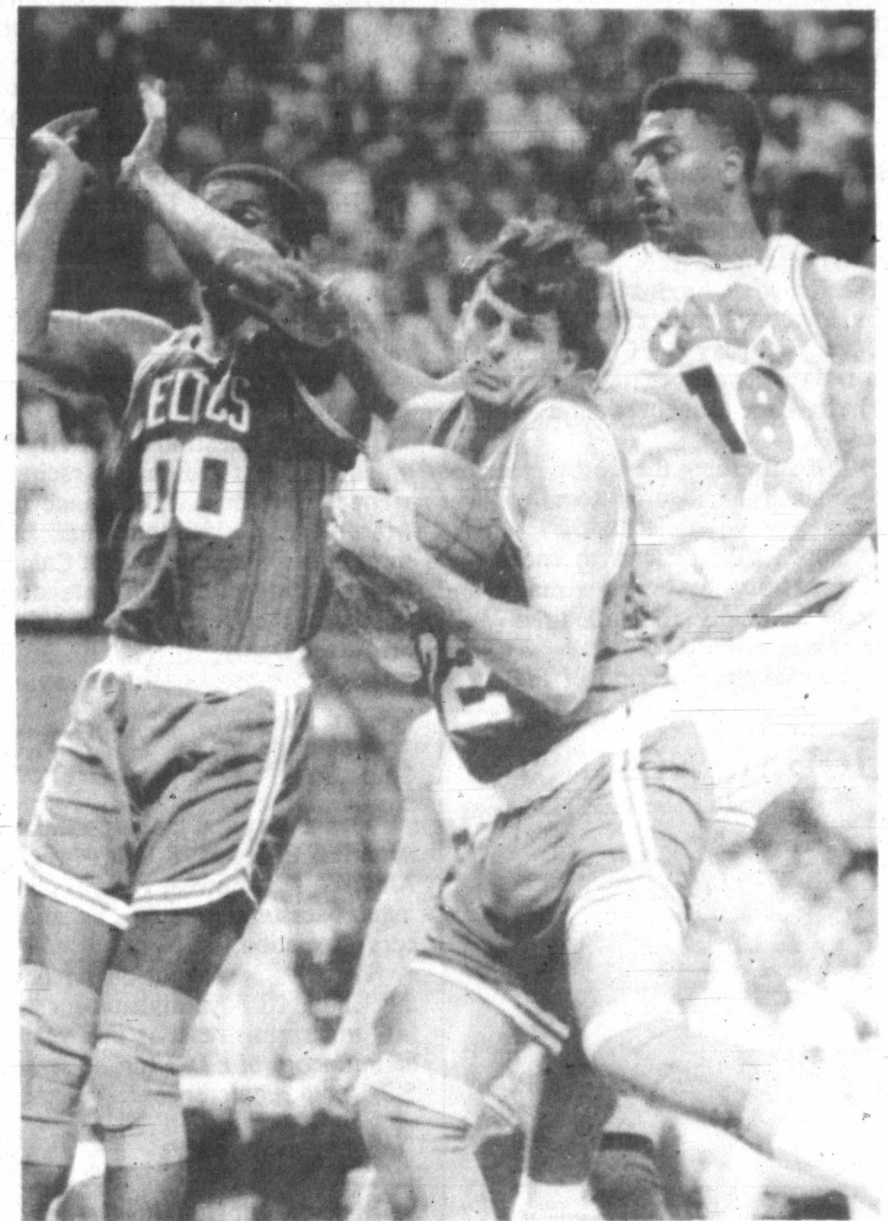
The Cavaliers led 56-49 at half-time and put the game away with a superb third quarter, keyed by Daugherty's 12 points. They finished the period with a 16-4 run that began with a turnover by Bird and ended with three long jumpers by Mark Price.

The Celtics got no closer than 12 in the fourth quarter.

Lewis led Boston with 27 points. Kevin Gamble had 18.

"I always knew they were a good outside shooting team, and they're shooting extremely well," said Bird, who played for only the second time since April 3 because of a bad back. "Now they're moving the ball extremely well."

"There's no question Price makes them a great team. They set a pick, we'll go to help, and they'll roll off and hit the open shot."



Celtics forward Kevin McHale (32) grabs a rebound against John Williams (18) of the Cavaliers Wednesday night. Boston's Robert Parish is at left. (AP Photo)

The Cavaliers are trying to make it to the conference finals for only the second time in franchise history. Boston, which has won 16 NBA titles, eliminated Cleveland from the playoffs twice before - in the conference finals in 1976 and in the first round in 1985.

"This puts us up by one game. That's all it does," Nance said. "They've been in this situation before. If anybody knows how to play through it, it's them."

Cubs beat Astros; Expos down Dodgers

By The Associated Press

Matt Williams is expected to hit home runs. And Greg Litton is expected to congratulate Williams after he hits them.

Both players received congratulations at Philadelphia Wednesday night.

Williams had two nearly identical tape-measure homers and Litton added his own two-run poke in San Francisco's 5-3 victory, the Giants' first sweep at Veterans Stadium since 1987.

NL Roundup

In other games, it was Pittsburgh 11, Atlanta 10; San Diego 7, New York 0; Montreal 5, Los Angeles 1; Chicago 8, Houston 3; and St. Louis 4, Cincinnati 2.

Pirates 11, Braves 10
Jay Bell's ninth-inning homer bailed out Pittsburgh, which blew an eight-run lead.

Bell had four RBIs and four of the Pirates' season-high 21 hits. He drove a 2-1 pitch from Alejandro

Pena (0-4) into left for his first homer.

Stan Belinda (2-0) gave up the game-tying homer to Terry Pendleton in the eighth inning, but held the Braves scoreless in the ninth.

Andy Van Slyke and Don Slaught also had four hits and Steve Buechele had three hits and three RBIs for Pittsburgh.

Ron Gant and Dave Justice hit consecutive homers off Doug Drabek in the first inning.

Atlanta's 15 hits is also a team high this season.

Padres 7, Mets 0
Bruce Hurst pitched a six-hitter for his sixth straight victory over New York, and Gary Sheffield and Tony Gwynn hit their first homers this season off David Cone.

Hurst (2-3) improved to 6-1 against the Mets with his first complete game of the season. He struck out four and walked two en route to his 20th major league shutout.

Cone (3-2) had allowed only seven runs in his previous five starts, including two shutouts, but

gave up a three-run blast to Sheffield in the third.

It was the first homer off Cone since Houston's Craig Biggio hit one last Sept. 4, a span of 303 at-bats.

Gwynn added a two-run shot, his second, in the fifth.

Expos 5, Dodgers 1
Mark Gardner (3-1) gave up three hits and struck out 11 in 7 2-3 innings for Montreal. The right-hander retired the first 16 batters before Jose Offerman's sixth-inning walk.

Pinch-hitter Stan Javier followed with a single before Gardner got two fly ball outs.

John Wetteland pitched the final 1 1-3 innings for his fifth save.

Mitch Webster homered for the Dodgers, who lost for the 10th time in 12 games.

Tim Wallach and Bret Barberie had run-scoring hits off Orel Hershiser (2-3) in the first inning, and Moises Alou added an RBI double in the third.

Cubs 8, Astros 3
Shawn Boskie (4-2) had a six-hitter through seven innings and Chicago won consecutive road games for

the first time this season. The Cubs, who scored only seven runs their previous four games, had a run in each of the first three innings off Butch Henry (0-3).

Sammy Sosa had two RBIs and two runs scored for Chicago, which is 5-11 on the road. Mark Grace had a two-run double.

The Cubs also snapped Henry's streak of 18 scoreless innings at the Astrodome.

Cardinals 4, Reds 2
Bob Tewksbury (4-2) gave up seven hits in seven innings for St. Louis' fifth straight victory and Brian Jordan had the game-winning hit for the second straight game.

Tewksbury's NL-leading ERA went from 1.60 to 1.73 after he allowed two runs and no walks. Lee Smith got his league-leading 12th save in 14 opportunities.

Jordan, who had a three-run homer in the Cardinals' 6-4 victory Tuesday, had a two-run single in the sixth off Scott Bankhead (3-1) to put St. Louis ahead 3-2. Jordan leads the team with five homers and 20 RBIs.

Couples: 'I'm tired of golf'

IRVING (AP) — Fred Couples knew he probably shouldn't say it. "I know this is gonna come out wrong," he said.

But he said it anyhow.

"I'm tired. And I'm tired of golf," the Masters champion said before teeing off today in the first round of the Byron Nelson Classic.

It will be the last tournament before a three-week break from competition for the man who has dominated the international game for the last year.

"I'm sure that after the break, I'll be ready to go again. But right now, I'm just looking forward to the break," Couples said.

"I was really beat up after Los Angeles and Doral and Honda and Nestle and the Players and the Masters," he said, reeling off the list of tournaments in which he was in title contention on a weekly basis, winning three of them.

"After the Masters, I just had a kind of a letdown," he said.

Part of that letdown, he said, was attributable to his first major tournament triumph. Part of it was his new, increased celebrity and the demands on his time.

"I'm doing the best I can, trying to do the best I can," Couples said. But that isn't always easy.

"I'm not playing very good right now because I haven't practiced much, haven't had time to practice much," he said. "People ask me if I've changed since winning at Augusta. I haven't changed. I'm still the same guy."

"But it seems like everybody around me has changed. Everybody has something they want you to do."

"I don't want to put anybody off, but everything takes so much more time now. It takes me 10 minutes to get from the practice range to the putting green, 10 more minutes to get from the putting green to the first tee."

Rangers lose to Orioles; Yankees wallop Mariners

By The Associated Press

It only took seven pitches for Kevin Brown to put the Texas Rangers in a 4-0 hole.

"I'd like to have a little better luck. It's not very often you throw two bad pitches and you're down four runs," Brown (5-3) said after the Baltimore Orioles' 4-2 victory Wednesday night.

Brady Anderson and Mike Devoreaux led off the game with doubles, Cal Ripken hit a run-scoring single and Sam Horn hit his second home run this season.

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"The pitch to Horn I left over the plate," Brown said. "I tried to get it in on him. If luck is flowing the other way, those balls are hit at somebody for outs."

Rick Sutcliffe (5-2) improved to 4-1 against Texas, allowing seven hits in seven innings. He took a four-hit shutout into the sixth before Rafael Palmeiro and Ruben Sierra hit consecutive home runs. Greg Olson got five outs for his seventh save.

"I had the worst fastball of the year," Sutcliffe said. "Those four runs helped a lot. After that, I tried not to walk anyone and tried to keep the ball in the park. That's our secret. If you do those two things, most of the time our guys will put a glove on it."

In other games, Toronto beat Oakland 4-3, Chicago beat Milwaukee

1-0, California beat Detroit 7-5, New York beat Seattle 12-4, Minnesota beat Boston 4-3 and Kansas City beat Cleveland 5-3.

Baltimore won for the 11th time in 14 games, while Texas, which has lost five of seven, dropped to 5-12 in Arlington Stadium, the worst home record in the majors.

"We need one game with a bloop hit and the runs will start coming," Rangers manager Bobby Valentine said. "We had a lot of near-misses."

Blue Jays 4, Athletics 3
Jack Morris (4-2) won for the first time in four starts since April 21, allowing an unearned run and seven hits in 6 2-3 innings at the SkyDome as Toronto won for the eighth time in 10 games.

Tom Henke, who allowed Mark McGwire's 16th homer of the season leading off the ninth, finished for his sixth save.

Mike Moore (4-2) gave up all four runs and nine hits in 6 2-3 innings as Oakland lost to Toronto for the fourth time this season.

White Sox 1, Brewers 0
Kirk McCaskill held Milwaukee hitless for 6 2-3 innings and combined with Bobby Thigpen on a two-hitter. McCaskill (2-3) lost his no-hit bid with two outs in the seventh when Kevin Seitzer singled.

Bill Wegman (2-4) failed to win for the fourth straight start, allowing an RBI double to Robin Ventura in the first at County Stadium and pitching a seven-hitter for his second complete game.

Angels 7, Tigers 5

Gary Gaetti hit a game-tying single off Walt Terrell (0-5), Les Lancaster walked Gary DiSarcina with the bases loaded and Luis Polonia added a two-run single as California rallied for four runs in the eighth.

Steve Frey (2-0) faced one batter for the victory, striking out Dave Bergman with the bases loaded in the eighth at Anaheim Stadium. Bryan Harvey pitched the ninth for his 11th save.

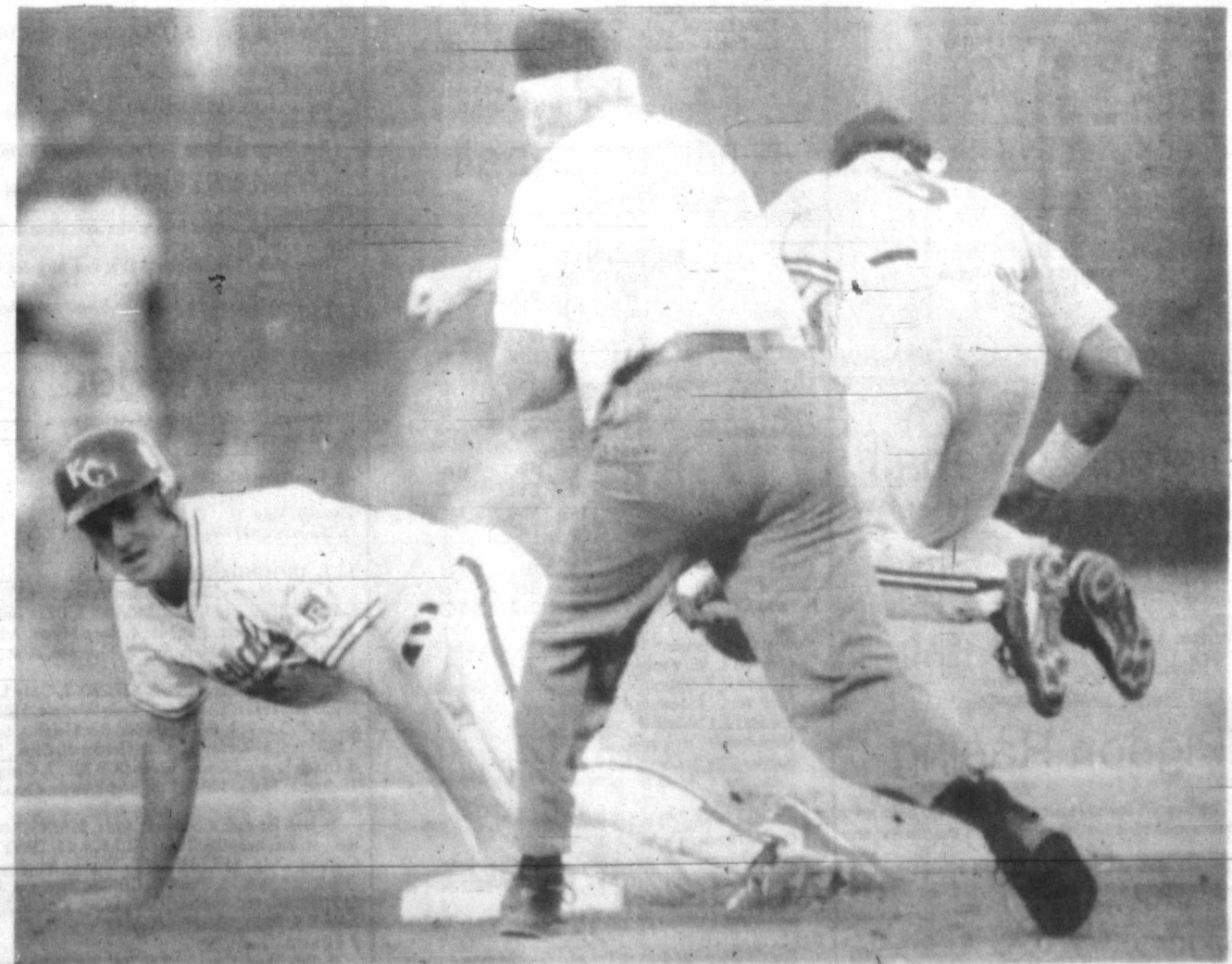
Yankees 12, Mariners 4
Matt Nokes hit his fifth career grand slam - his 100th career homer - and drove in five runs. Kevin Maas added a three-run homer at Yankee Stadium.

Scott Sanderson (3-2) won for the first time in six starts since April 12, allowing one run and five hits in seven innings. Erik Hanson (1-5) gave up seven runs - five earned - and six hits in two innings.

Twins 4, Red Sox 3
Shane Mack broke an 0-for-12 slump with a bases-loaded single in the ninth as Minnesota won its fifth straight, its longest winning streak since last Sept. 6-10.

Tom Edens (2-0) won in relief of Bill Krueger, who has three consecutive no-decisions since his 4-0 start. Greg Harris (2-3) was the loser as Boston was defeated for the fifth time in seven games.

Royals 5, Indians 3
Curtis Wilkerson hit a three-run homer and Kevin Appier (3-2) won his third straight start as visiting Cleveland lost its fifth straight. Jeff



Kansas City Royals' Keith Miller, left, watches second base umpire Jim McKeon, middle, call the out as Cleveland Indians' Carlos Baerga leaps out of the way Wednesday in Kansas City. Miller was caught stealing. (AP Photo)

Montgomery pitched the ninth for his seventh save.

Dennis Cook (1-3) failed to get out of the second inning for the straight

start. He allowed four runs and four hits in 1 2-3 innings.

