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Civil rights trial under way

Former deputy claims discrimination by Gray County

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

AMARILLO — Former Gray County Sheriff's Deputy Lynn Brown continued his testimony today in federal court, saying he was called "nigger" numerous times by sheriff's office personnel and that he was overlooked for promotions and even demoted because of his race.

Both sides in the civil lawsuit filed by Brown against Gray County stipulate that Brown is a highly-qualified peace officer and that he was not promoted during his three years with the sheriff's office. Testimony began Monday in U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson's court after a three-woman, three-man jury was selected.

Gray County, represented by Amarillo attorney Dan Burrows, said in an opening statement that Brown was not promoted as other white deputies were because of his bad attitude, his failure to cooperate with other deputies and his disrespect for Sheriff Jim Free.

Brown was fired Feb. 3 and said the firing was based on retaliation for his claims of racial discrimination. He filed the civil rights lawsuit, alleging racial discrimination, in October 1990.

In jury selection, Paris attorney David Hamilton, who represents Brown, said much of the plaintiff's evidence will be circumstantial.

"Very few people are going to take the witness stand and say, 'I am racially prejudiced,'" Hamilton said. Brown is seeking an unspecified amount of damages, including punitive damages.

"Racism has been a part of our country's history ... The bloodiest and most costly struggle was the Civil War — that war was a war about racism and slavery," Hamilton said in opening arguments. "One-hundred years later, we still have that problem."

Hamilton said that on many occasions, almost from the time Brown started to work at the sheriff's office on Jan. 2, 1989, there were racial slurs made against him and he was called "nigger" by sheriff's deputies. He said the only action taken when Brown complained was to place the black deputy on the midnight shift and to deny him the opportunity for overtime and compensatory time.

"It's been 20 years since I heard the word nigger used in the courthouse," Hamilton said. "I'm embarrassed, I'm ashamed and I hope you are too. And I hope you take this opportunity to do something."

After complaining to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Hamilton said, Brown was retaliated against. He said in February of this year, the sheriff used a "questionable, minor" policy violation to terminate Brown's employment.

Sheriff Free, at the time of Brown's firing, said the deputy was fired for insubordination and policy violations, including failure to radio in when in his county vehicle.

Burrows said in open arguments that even though this is the southern part of the United States there are few accusations one can make against someone which are worse than being called a racist.

"It's horrible and it's exactly what is being done in this lawsuit," Burrows said. "It's a vile claim that's been denied ... We will show by strong, convincing evidence what took place in the employment of Lynn Brown by Gray County Sheriff's Office."

The defense attorney said the sheriff recruited Brown from the Pampa Police Department because of his experience. He added that Brown's appointment as a deputy sheriff was at the "will" of the sheriff.

"You'll hear testimony of how important it is for these people to work together, to trust one another,

and if they don't the efficiency of the office is affected," Burrows said.

The evidence, Burrows said, will show that Brown was not promoted and was later suspended and terminated — not because of his race or the color of his skin — but because of his attitude and his disrespect for the sheriff and his office.

"The real victim in this case is not Lynn Brown, but it's Sheriff Free and Gray County for being accused of being a racist," Burrows said.

He described the case as "tragic," saying Brown, who has good training and good experience, "could have been a leader of men, but it wasn't to be so," because of Brown's own "paranoia about the color of his skin."

Brown said Free hired him in January 1989, telling Brown he wanted to start a criminal investigative unit and have Brown work as a narcotics investigator. Brown, who holds an advanced license from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education, is also certified as an arson investigator and a law enforcement instructor.

He worked for 14 years at the Pampa Police Department, working his way up from patrolman to sergeant prior to working at the sheriff's office, he said.

Within the first three months at the sheriff's office, he said former sheriff's office Sgt. Dave Keiser said to him, "A nigger can't tell me what to do," when the two were working on a homicide case and Brown made a suggestion.

After informing Sheriff Free of that racial slur, he said the sheriff took no action. "The sheriff told me to do my job and he would take care of it," Brown said.

Keiser was fired from his employment with the sheriff's office in December 1991 after he allegedly used force against a prisoner.

In February 1989, Brown said he

was informed by two deputies and later by the sheriff, himself, that it was being said that "Gray County didn't need a nigger working there."

Brown was the first and only black person employed at the sheriff's office. There are currently no black employees in Gray County.

The plaintiff said he stopped using the restroom on the first floor of the courthouse after discovering graffiti containing racial slurs he believed to be targeted at him. He said, again, he reported the incident to the sheriff and no action was taken.

In July 1989, he said he, Keiser and Terry Cox were named as supervisors, but that two weeks later he learned Cox and Keiser had stripes for their uniforms, although he was not provided with stripes. He said he later learned Keiser was given a salary increase for being a supervisor and he was not.

He began being assigned "gopher" work, such as manning the radio while the others went to lunch and running errands. He said the sheriff stopped speaking to him and he would ask him if there was a problem, but was told there was no problem.

Although he was a supervisor, he said he was one of the last deputies to receive a take-home vehicle. In March or April 1990, he said he learned he was no longer a supervisor in a departmental meeting when an announcement was made that another deputy was in charge of Brown's shift.

Frequently, while assigned to the midnight shift, Brown said he would be the only deputy on duty. He said when the same situation occurred to a white deputy, the sheriff would have someone come in and work overtime or the sheriff would work, himself.

Brown said he was also left on the midnight shift for a time after reporting racial slurs and was not allowed to rotate shifts as other deputies.

The rain, the park ...



Worley Kennedy takes a stroll today on Buckler Park's hike and bike trail. The forecast calls for a slight chance of rain in already soaked Pampa.

(Staff photo by Daniel Wiegars)

Primary a 6-act finale

By JOHN KING
AP Political Writer

Bill Clinton was poised to clinch the Democratic presidential nomination today as voters in six states cast the final ballots of the primary season and opened a fall race complicated by an angry electorate and Ross Perot.

California offered the biggest chunk of the 700 Democratic and 407 Republican delegates at stake today, followed by Ohio, New Jersey, Alabama, New Mexico and Montana. Discontent with President Bush and Clinton that surfaced in past weeks cropped up again among early morning voters. "I'm for Ross Perot," said Greg Hummel, 26, a Cincinnati computer analyst. "I voted for Buchanan because I wanted to weaken Bush."

Clinton and Bush were again the overwhelming favorites. The bulk of the protest votes that once went to Democrat Jerry Brown and Republican challenger Patrick Buchanan have long since shifted to Perot. There was an outside chance, however, that Clinton could suffer an upset in California, where Brown was governor for eight years and still has a substantial base of support.

And below the presidential level, the ballots held colorful contests, from primaries for two California Senate seats to a slew of congressional races testing anti-incumbent fervor, fallout from the House bank scandal and the strength of women candidates.

Los Angeles also sent voters a police reform referendum stemming from the Rodney King beating.

Clinton hasn't lost a primary to

Brown since Connecticut in March and needed just 86 delegates to clinch the nomination with the required 2,145, according to a count by *The Associated Press*.

"While I am happy and gratified I also have this renewed sense of mission," Clinton said Sunday.

Accountant Jim Davis of Toledo gave the Arkansas governor his vote and expressed a sentiment the Clinton camp hopes catches fire.

"I think Clinton has some good ideas," Davis said. "The problem is, nobody is really listening to them."

Bush already had the delegates to claim renomination and was looking for strength to carry into the fall. In the 1988 general election, Bush won all six states voting today. Of late, his campaign has appeared in disarray, but its leaders appeared on the morning talk shows to insist that all was calm.

When asked on NBC's "Today" about Perot, Bush campaign chairman Robert Teeter said: "This has the potential obviously, with Mr. Perot's money, to be a substantially different kind of race."

Perot loomed as a major factor without appearing on a single ballot, and both the Clinton and Bush camps worried that troublesome data in polling-place interviews would cloud their victories.

Two national polls released Monday signaled Perot's general-election strength.

An ABC-Washington Post poll of registered voters gave Perot 34 percent to 31 percent for Bush and 29 percent to Clinton. CBS had Bush with 35 percent, Clinton 27 percent and Perot at 26 percent.

Officials address off-road dumping

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

Illegal dumping of trash on land owned in the county by W.H. "Hood" Earp led him to get a petition and follow through Monday by asking Gray County Commissioners to close one-half mile of road off FM 749.

However, commissioners failed to take action to close the road and instead, unanimously passed a motion by Precinct 4 Commissioner Ted Simmons to erect warning signs advising dumping is illegal and setting out penalties.

Simmons also said that after several people are "made examples" of for illegally dumping, he believes the problem will taper off.

Pampa attorney Vanessa Buzzard, who represented Earp at the meeting, said the county road in question divides Earp's farming operation.

"The primary problem on this quarter section is there has been a tremendous amount of dumping," Buzzard said. "... We're not wanting to close this road to prohibit legitimate traffic, but just to stop illegal dumping."

Earp said that if the commissioners would approve the road closing he would put locks on gates and give keys to those who have leases or other business on the land.

Earp said he was concerned due to new Environmental Protection Agency and Texas regulatory agency rules which would make the landowner responsible for any type of hazardous waste on his land, regardless of who placed it there.

"If we have any kind of hazardous material, I'm responsible financially," Earp said. "That's what this petition is for — to prevent that from happening."

Earp said he has tried numerous ways to keep people from dumping in the years he has leased the land, which he recently purchased in Section 86, Block 3.

"I need some help. I've done everything in the world I know to do," he said.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley said, "I really appreciate your problem, but there are many scenarios around the county like this, but are we to close every road where it's a problem?"

"I don't know if closing a road is going to keep people from dumping."

Earp asked if any other people had followed proper legal procedure and posted notices and filed petitions as he had to get a road closed.

"We did this in a legal manner," he said. "We weren't trying to hide this from anyone. We talk about liberty and justice. Liberty is freedom. What is justice? It's freedom you have within you to be fair. The only way it's going to stop is through preventative measures and you fellows have the power now."

Precinct 3 Commissioner Gerald Wright said, "If we went to closing every county road because of dumping, we'd be out of county roads."

Wallace Bruce, owner of an oil company, strongly opposed the petition to close the road.

"I understand Mr. Earp's concern. Since the early 40s they were using the road for a dump, but if there's anything I hate it's a gate," Bruce said.

"If dumping was a concern, why did he buy this property? My concern is costs. Every time you stop and get out to unlock the gate it takes time and money ... Locking this gate here is not going to stop people dumping ... I am vigorously opposed to this."

John Triplehorn, who owns

land adjacent to Earps, said he was concerned because since Earp erected gates at the site in question there has been increased heavy vehicle traffic on the county road north of Triplehorn's house.

Triplehorn said due to the increased vehicle traffic he is concerned for the welfare and safety of small children living in the area, including his daughter.

"I agree with Hood. The dumping stinks, it's awful ... Enforcement is going to have to be the number one issue here," Triplehorn said.

Earp said of Simmons' idea of placing warning signs, "He'd just as well take them out there and put them in the dump ... I'd get down on my knees and beg if it would help."

Simmons said that if the signs and enforcement do not work, "I may owe you (Earp) an apology."

In an unrelated petition by Jackie and Carolyn Taylor to close 287 feet of a road off FM 749, commissioners tabled action until a study can be done by the highway department on whether an alternate entrance can be maneuvered safely by large vehicles.

In an update on the Gray County Jail, Judge Kennedy reported he had contacted architect Larry Janousek with the Commission's proposal for completing the jail and Janousek had accepted the terms of the proposal. Bill Waters, who is serving as the Commission's attorney in this matter, will now draw up an agreement between the Commission and Janousek, Kennedy said.

The county judge said he had also called Jim Sartain, the builder, and authorized him to proceed with the changes the Commission had asked for.

In other business, the Commissioners Court:

- approved on a 3-1 vote, with Wheeley voting against and Wright absent at the time the vote was taken, to approve the filling of a deputy's position in the sheriff's office created by the vacancy of Deputy Carol Cobb.

Wheeley said he wanted further time to study the issue to determine if the position needed to be filled.

- unanimously approved allowing Sheriff Jim Free to fill an anticipated deputy's opening if Deputy Mike Lane resigns, as has been indi-

cated he will to further his college education.

- unanimously approved the payment of \$390,949.95 in salaries and bills after discussing a bill calling for two weeks severance pay to former deputy Carol Cobb, who was terminated effective Sunday by the sheriff.

County Judge Carl Kennedy told Cobb that there was nothing in the county policy which would allow severance pay.

County Treasurer Scott Hahn said that although the words "severance pay" had never been used to his knowledge, that there were at least a "dozen" instances where severance pay has been given to employees in his six years as treasurer.

The approval of the bills including the two weeks severance pay to Cobb, although the motion included a note that although this was severance pay, the Commissioners Court is not intending to set a precedent on the issue.

Wright said he would like, at a later date, to address whether the officeholder of the Commissioners Court should determine if an employee is to receive severance pay.

- unanimously approved the city of Pampa's request to sell delinquent tax properties at 919 W. Rham and 1037 S. Clark for \$500 each. The Rham property is appraised at \$1920 with a tax lien of \$1756.80 and the Clark address is appraised at \$3730 with taxes due of \$1592.34.

- unanimously approved the following transfers as approved by the county auditor: HGH to general fund — \$235,000; general to salary — \$67,551; general to law library — \$3,106.
- discussed, but took no action, on a request from Panhandle Alcohol Recovery Center (P.A.R.C.) for space to set up an out-patient care center in Pampa.
- recognized all four commissioners for completing 11 to 12 hours of required training from West Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association at a conference in Lubbock March 18-20.

Before adjourning, Kennedy reminded commissioners that June 9 has been set for final inspection at Perry Lefors Field if weather allows.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

DOMINGUEZ, Rio and Dio - 2 p.m., graveside, West Park Cemetery.
LANCASTER, Irene Jones - 4 p.m., graveside, Memorial Heights Cemetery, Lefors.
LEVI, James Davis - 2 p.m. - New Hope Baptist Church.
McWHORTER, Ruby Jo Shirley - 2 p.m., graveside, Fairview Cemetery.
REEVE, Charles Thomas - 2 p.m., Union Congregational Church, Friona

Obituaries

PAUL CEARLEY
 Paul Cearley, 74, died Monday, June 1, 1992 in Kerrville. Memorial services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. M.B. Smith, Baptist minister, officiating.
 Mr. Cearley was born Jan. 18, 1918 in Denison and had been a resident of Pampa since 1979. He married Maxine Mitchell on May 6, 1941 at Hollis, Okla. While living in Pampa, he owned and operated Service Liquor and was also manager of Shop Quick Grocery in Dumas for 10 years. He was a Baptist. He was a member of the American Legion and was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II serving with the Seabees.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Michael Robb Cearley of Dumas and Paul Dennis Cearley of Katy; two brothers, W.D. Cearley of Amarillo and Pat Cearley of Mesquite; two sisters, Lois Ranne and Ruby Brazille, both of Amarillo; five grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2782, Pampa, 79066-2782.

RIO AND DIO DOMINGUEZ
 Rio and Dio Dominguez, infant twin sons of Hector and Alicia Dominguez, were stillborn Monday, June 1, 1992. Graveside services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at West Park Cemetery in Hereford.
 Survivors in addition to their parents include three sisters, Monica, Erica and Angelica; and one brother, Hector Jr., all of the home.

LAWRENCE ANDREW HARRIS
WHEELER - Lawrence Andrew Harris, 72, died Monday, June 1, 1992. Services are set for 2:30 p.m. today in the Wheeler Church of Christ with Bill Morrison, minister, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.
 Mr. Harris was born in Ardmore, Okla., and had lived in Wheeler County since 1920. He was a farm laborer and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his mother, Cora Harris of Wheeler; two brothers, Leonard Harris of Amarillo and George Harris of Wheeler; and three sisters, Lorene Bamard of Amarillo, Vallie Futch of Pampa and Charlene Simpson of Stillwater, Okla.

IRENE JONES LANCASTER
BORGER - Irene Jones Lancaster, 67, died Monday, June 1, 1992 at Pampa. Graveside services are set for 4 p.m. Wednesday at Memorial Heights Cemetery in Lefors with the Rev. Lonny Robbins, Full Gospel minister, officiating.

Mrs. Lancaster was born June 27, 1924 in Seminole, Okla. She was a resident of Borger for the past year. She was a former resident of Glazier and Chowchilla, Calif. She was married to Roy Lancaster. He died in 1989. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include three daughters, Shirley Hollowell of Panhandle, Hazel Dill and Judy Cain, both of Hackett, Ark.; nine step-children; 13 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

JAMES DAVIS LEVI
 James Davis Levi, 66, died Saturday, May 30, 1992, in Amarillo. Services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at New Hope Baptist Church in Pampa with the Rev. V. C. Martin, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery of Pampa by Warford-Walker Mortuary of Amarillo.

Mr. Levi was a resident of Pampa more than 50 years. He moved to Pampa from Waco where he attended Oliver High School. He was a U.S. Army veteran. He married May Nell Graves in 1946. He worked for Panhandle Industrial for a number of years before retiring. He was preceded in death by his parents Charlie Levi and Julia Tolbert Levi.

Survivors include his wife of Amarillo; seven children, Jessie Marie Levi, Barbara Levi, Phyllis Levi and Charles Levi, all of Amarillo, Doris Jones of Wichita, Kan., Vivian Brown of Arlington and Joyce Christopher of Pampa; two sisters, Billie Chambers and Elizabeth Lynn, both of Pampa; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler Evans of Pampa:

Wheat	2.10	NC
Maize	2.40	NC
Barley	2.70	NC

The following show the prices for which these securities should have closed at the time of computation:

Ky. Gov. Note	100	NC
Securities	114 3/8	up 3/8
Occidental	114 3/8	up 3/8

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

Magellan	42 1/2	up 1/4
Puritan	42 1/2	up 1/4

The following 9 3/4 a.m. NY Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa:

Amecc	48 7/8	up 1/4
Arco	114 3/8	up 3/8
Cabot	46 1/2	up 3/4

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CHARLES THOMAS REEVE
FRIONA - Charles Thomas Reeve, 76, of Naugatuck, Conn., brother of a Pampa resident, died Sunday, May 31, 1992. Memorial services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Union Congregational Church of Friona with the Rev. Tom Shreve, pastor, officiating. Private graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Friona Cemetery. Arrangements are by Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.
 Mr. Reeve was born in Friona. He moved to New Haven, Conn., from Hereford in 1942 and to Naugatuck in 1944. He married Marjorie Wilkinson in 1938 at Canyon. He was a graduate of West Texas State Teachers College and an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II. He retired from Uniroyal Bootwear Division after 34 years. He was a part-time instructor at Yale University. He was a member of the Congregational Church in Naugatuck and was a member of the diaconate. He also served on several committees in the church. He was a member of the board of directors of the Child Guidance Clinic at Waterbury, Conn., and was a former member of the Central Naugatuck Valley Regional Planning Agency.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Paul T. Reeve of Lincoln, R.I., and C. Allen Reeve of Pittsford, N.Y.; two sisters, Mary Reeve of Pampa and Ruth R. Hume of Redding, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

The family will be at the funeral home today from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Police report

Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, June 1
 Tip Top Used Cars, 848 W. Brown, reported burglary of a 1988 Chevrolet pickup at the business.
 Karla Gail Nelson, 1124 Terry, reported theft over \$20/under \$750 at the residence.
 Charlie Franklin, 508 Crawford, reported found property at Marcus Sanders Park.
 Jerold Cochran, 338 Ann, reported theft over \$20/under \$200 at the residence.
 Billie Moore, 1248 S. Barnes, reported burglary at 1250 S. Barnes.
 Pizza Hutt Delivery, 1501 N. Banks, reported theft over \$20/under \$200 at 1820 Lynn.

TUESDAY, June 2
 Ogden & Son, 501 W. Foster, reported burglary of a building - forced entry at the business.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, June 1
 Bradley Operating Co., Rt. 2, Box 36, reported theft over \$20,000.

Accidents

No accidents were reported to the Pampa Police Department during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Fires

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, June 1
 11:19 a.m. - Two firefighters and one unit responded to a reported truck fire on Texas 70, north of Pampa, but were called back before arriving at the scene.
 3:16 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a medical assist at 2321 Cherokee, but were called back before arriving at the scene.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL
Admissions
 Elmer H. Garrison, Pampa
 Mary M. Trout, Pampa
 George Winegeart, Pampa
 Troy D. Garmon, Pampa (extended care)
 Ethel E. Gower, Pampa (extended care)
 D.M. Russell, Pampa (extended care)
Dismissals
 Sylvia M. McGarrugh, Perryton
 Alva L. Reams, Pampa
 David R. Weller, Panhandle
 Laura M. Williams, Texhoma
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
Admissions
 No admissions were reported.
Dismissals
 No dismissals were reported.

Calendar of events

PAMPA SINGLES ORGANIZATION
 Pampa Singles Organization will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at 2334 Mary Ellen, for snacks and games. For more information call, 669-9569.

Government suspends contract with General Electric division

By PETE YOST
 Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Pentagon is suspending the aircraft engines division of General Electric Co. from competing for future contracts because of alleged fraud in selling military jet engines to Israel.
 Monday's action stems from a scheme in which former Israeli Air Force Gen. Rami Dotan and a former GE marketing employee, Herbert Steindler, diverted U.S. funds intended for Israel, GE said in a statement.
 GE failed to spot the activities of Steindler and Dotan sooner, said Larry Wilson, a spokesman for the Defense Logistics Agency.
 "They needed a compliance program that catches this kind of stuff," Wilson said in an interview. "If there's wrongdoing, it should be detected. It's not supposed to go that far."

Wilson said that "basically, what you have here is a multimillion-dollar fraud. Money was wrongfully paid."

GE will appeal the suspension, which the company feels was "lacking in both fair process and substantive merit," said GE spokeswoman Jane Juracek.

Wilson said the company was treated fairly, noting that there were two meetings last month on the matter between GE officials and the Pentagon. He said there was to be another one today.

GE fired Steindler in 1991. The Israeli military demoted Dotan and he is serving a 13-year prison term in Israel for criminal violations in connection with air force procurement.

The Justice Department alleges in court papers that GE gave Dotan \$7.85 million to influence his decisions regarding contracts for jet fighter engines.
 The Justice Department filing was

part of a suit by a former GE employee in federal court in Cincinnati. The ex-employee has alleged that \$40 million in U.S. military funds intended for Israel was diverted.

The case is scheduled for trial Nov. 2. GE's aircraft engines plant is in Evendale, Ohio, a Cincinnati suburb.

A suspension normally is the first step toward a company either being disbarred or allowed to resume bidding on government work.

A contract disbarment is the harshest administrative sanction the Pentagon can impose on a contractor.

Such an order prevents a company from bidding on or receiving new contracts from any agency of the federal government, not just the Defense Department.

The suspension doesn't affect existing contracts. Ms. Juracek said, adding that she doesn't know how long it could last.

Congress beats around Bush on China trade

WASHINGTON (AP) - Congressional Democrats, expecting President Bush to renew trade benefits for China, are exploring new ways to limit that prospect. And a key Bush supporter said today selective sanctions might be considered.
 Having failed to override Bush's vetoes of past efforts to deny "most favored nation" status to Beijing, leaders of the effort to punish China for human rights abuses are preparing for the annual presidential decision, which has to be made by Wednesday.
 Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., said in a telephone interview today that debate in Congress is likely to shift towards possible limited sanctions, two months after the Senate failed to override a presidential veto of a bill that would have put tough conditions on MFN renewal.
 Because of the proximity of Bush's decision to his last victory on the issue, the president is unlikely to change his stand, Lugar said.
 "It's unfortunate that the issue comes up again just a few weeks after it was last resolved," Lugar said.
 But, he added, "it could be that both Congress and the president will look more carefully at how specific sanctions on Chinese economic activity will make the point more forcefully on the human rights situation."
 He said selective pressure has worked against China in the past and backers of Bush's position want to ensure that sanctions do not hurt U.S. traders or the growing market development in Southern China near Hong Kong.

Coincidentally, the deadline for Bush falls on the third anniversary of the 1989 Chinese government attack on pro-democracy demonstrators at Beijing's Tiananmen Square. Last year, the president avoided the June 3-4 anniversary by announcing his decision to extend MFN a week early, but this year he has let it go down to the wire.

The White House has not said how or when Bush will announce his decision, but there is some speculation its impact will be lost in the wrapup of the U.S. primary election season, with returns coming in tonight from races in California and five other states.

Bush has the option of proposing a one-year extension, an extension with conditions, or a denial of the trade status granted to all normal trading partners. Congress then has 90 days to act on it, with a two-thirds vote of both houses needed to override a Bush veto.

Without MFN status, a country's products are heavily taxed, effectively cutting off exports to the United States.

Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., who has led the battle in the House, is expected to file a new bill shortly after Bush announces his decision.

Although details of the measure are still being worked out, congressional sources say it is expected to take a new tack.

She seeks to ensure more support in the Senate, which just two months ago fell seven votes short of a veto override on a bill that would have imposed tough conditions on this year's extension. The House got the necessary two-thirds majority to override in a 357-61 vote.

Bush has yet to be overridden on any veto in the first four years of his presidency. China's trade status is emerging as a possible major election-year issue if Bush elects not to impose any conditions.

School board plans meeting to discuss principal choices

Pampa Independent School District board of education plans to meet in special session at 6 p.m. Thursday at Carver Center, 321 W. Albert.

Among the items listed on the agenda is a closed session to consider and possibly take action on the selection of principals for Pampa Middle School and Austin Elementary School.

Also planned is the first budget workshop for the 1992-1993 budget. Board members also are scheduled to consider a Pampa High School waiver concerning fundamental of mathematics, Consumer Mathematics, and Pre-Algebra for the coming year.

Consideration of new teacher positions for the coming year is also scheduled for the meeting.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.

J. McBRIDE Plumbing, 665-1633, 669-2724, Pampa area. Adv.

HOSPICE OF The Panhandle Golf Scramble, Saturday, June 6, Hidden Hills, 669-5866. Adv.

ABBY'S COUNTRY LOFT serving 11-2:30 p.m., homemade breads, specials, desserts, soup and salad bar. In a hurry? Call ahead, we'll have it ready for you. 665-2129. Adv.

FOR SALE standard 3 foot glass storm door. Good condition. Call after 6 p.m. 665-1089. Adv.

PAMPA TRAVEL Center, airline fare wars in progress. Last day to purchase tickets June 5th. Must complete all travel by September 13th. Selling quickly. Call now 665-2394 or 1-800-654-1520. Adv.

MR. DETAIL free oil and filter, 5 qt. oil with full detail, \$79.95. Expires June 30, 1992. 665-9566. Adv.

FREE PIZZA every Wednesday 6-7 p.m. \$1 (all brands) beer-bottle/can, 75 cent 14 oz. draws, 6-7 p.m. and 9-10 p.m. Tuesdays. Derrick Club, 2401 Alcock. Adv.

ACCEPTING DONATIONS for Garage Sale items to help defray expenses for R.L. "Bud" Adams, waiting for lung transplant in San Antonio. Any articles welcome. Donations to 320 N. Davis or 665-9459 for pick up, leave message if no answer. Sale June 12-14th. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms, northerly winds 5-15 mph and a low in the 50s. Wednesday, partly cloudy and warmer with a high in the mid 80s. Monday's high was 71 degrees; the overnight low was 52 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas - Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms possible areawide this evening. Otherwise partly cloudy through Wednesday except areas of low clouds and fog east of the mountains this morning. Lows tonight near 50 Panhandle to the mid 60s Big Bend lowlands. Highs Wednesday mostly in the 80s except mid 90s Big Bend lowlands.

North Texas - Scattered showers and thunderstorms tonight. Lows in the upper 50s to middle 60s. Partly cloudy Wednesday with a chance of showers and a few thunderstorms. Warmer with highs in the 80s.

South Texas - Decreasing clouds from the west tonight and Wednesday with scattered showers and thunderstorms over southeast Texas. Patchy dense fog developing toward morning Wednesday over the Hill Country and south central Texas. Lows tonight from the 60s north to the 70s south. Highs Wednesday in the 80s, low 90s west and south.

EXTENDED FORECAST
Thursday through Saturday
 West Texas - Texas Panhandle, partly cloudy Thursday. A chance of showers or thunderstorms Friday and Saturday. Highs in the

upper 70s Thursday warming to the mid 80s by Saturday. Lows in the lower 50s to the upper 50s. South Plains-Low rolling plains, partly cloudy Thursday. A chance of showers or thunderstorms Friday and Saturday. Highs near 80 Thursday warming to the mid 80s by Saturday. Lows in the mid 50s to near 60. Permian Basin, partly cloudy Thursday. A chance of showers or thunderstorms Friday and Saturday. Highs in the lower 80s Thursday warming to near 90 by Saturday. Lows near 60 to the mid 60s. Far West Texas, fair Thursday, partly cloudy Friday and Saturday. Highs in the lower 80s Thursday warming to near 90 by Saturday. Lows in the mid 50s to the lower 60s. Concho Valley-Edwards plateau, partly cloudy Thursday. A chance of showers or thunderstorms Friday and Saturday. Highs in the lower 80s Thursday. Highs in the lower 90s Thursday warming to near 90 by Saturday. Lows near 60 to the mid 60s.

North Texas - West and central, partly cloudy Thursday. Scattered thunderstorms Friday and Saturday. Lows in the 60s. Highs in the 80s. East, partly cloudy Thursday and Friday. Scattered thunderstorms Saturday. Lows in the 60s. Highs in the 80s.

BORDER STATES
 Oklahoma - Occasional showers and thunderstorms south and east tonight with locally heavy rainfall likely. Lows tonight near 50 Panhandle to lower 60s south. Showers and thunderstorms mainly south and east Wednesday. Warmer most sections with highs lower 80s Panhandle and mostly 70s elsewhere.

New Mexico - Thunderstorms ending with skies becoming fair to partly cloudy statewide tonight. Lows mid 30s to 40s mountains with mid 40s to 50s elsewhere. Warmer Wednesday. Fair skies southwest and partly cloudy north and east with a slight chance for afternoon thunderstorms central mountains and east. Highs mid 60s to near 80 mountains and north with 80s to lower 90s lower elevations south.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central Texas, mostly sunny and dry Thursday. High in the 80s. Low in the 60s. Partly cloudy and warmer Friday and Saturday with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. High in the upper 80s and lower 90s. Low in the upper 60s and low 70s. Texas coastal bend, mostly sunny and dry Thursday. Partly cloudy with a chance of

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10 dead in boarding house fire

By STEVEN DRUMMOND
Associated Press Writer

DETROIT (AP) — A fire roared through a boarding house early today, killing 10 people, many of them handicapped, and seriously injuring two others, authorities said.

The blaze broke out about 2:30 a.m. and gutted the three-story brick building. It was extinguished about three hours later, fire officials said.

Sixteen people were believed to have been inside the house, called New Way Development, Fire Chief Harold Watkins said. He said four of them escaped without injury and two others, a man and a woman, were hospitalized in serious condition.

The 10 other residents were found dead inside, most in their rooms, Watkins said. Many of the residents were physically or mentally handicapped, authorities said.

"I had been asleep when they said 'It's a fire, it's a fire,'" said Willis Darnell, one of the residents who escaped. "I couldn't walk. I fell down the stairs."

"I grabbed my blanket and put it over my head and I got out. I walked fast," said Delores Strempeck, 60, another resident.

Watkins said it was the most deaths in a single fire in the more than 30 years he had been on the Detroit force. The cause of the blaze was unknown, the chief said.

Caretaker Tyree Flukes, 37, said he heard a fire alarm and he and a resident, Glenn Gregory, tried to

wake up the other residents, knocking on their doors. But the smoke got so thick that he and Gregory finally had to flee, he said.

"Those people were like family to us," Flukes said.

Flukes said the fire started in the kitchen. Watkins said he could not confirm that.

Janie Nelson, 69, who with her husband, Robert, has owned the home for 33 years, said the house undergoes annual city inspection and licensing.

"Some of them have been there 27 years," she said. "It's terrible."

Nelson said she was on her way to the site. Her husband is recovering from a stroke and unable to go.

Chuck Peller of the state Department of Social Services in Lansing said the home had at one time been licensed for handicapped care but had lost its license years ago. He said he couldn't immediately provide details.

Four women and six men, ranging in age from mid-40s to an 89-year-old, were killed, Watkins said.

Nelson said residents left homeless in the fire would go to an emergency shelter she and her husband run across the street.

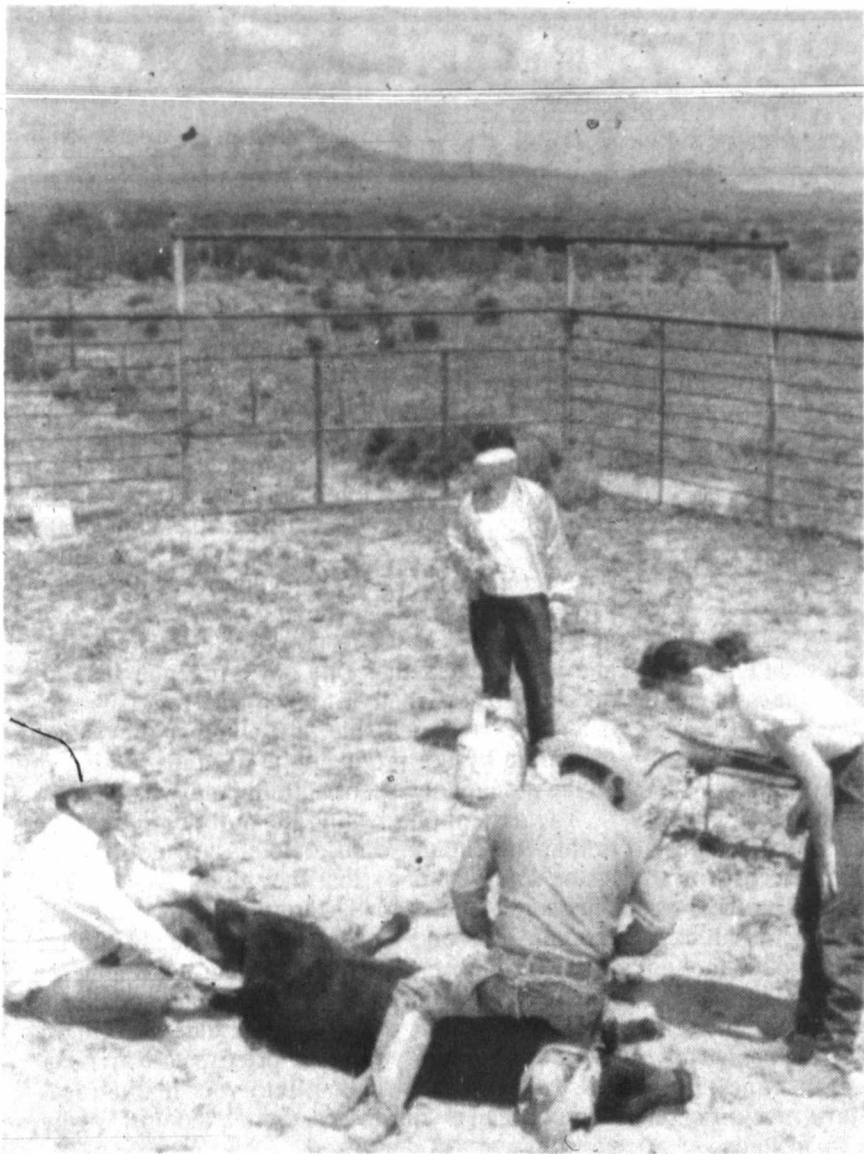
The home is in Detroit's New Center area on the city's west side.

At dawn, the building was still standing, with little sign from the outside that 10 people had died there. Smoke damage was visible around the windows.

Diana Leone, nursing supervisor at Henry Ford Hospital, said the injured man and woman suffered from smoke inhalation.



AP Photo
Detroit firefighters collect hose outside the boarding house Tuesday when an early morning blaze killed 10 people.



AP Photo
Sam Dodge, left, works with family and friends to restrain a calf for branding recently.

Texas ranchers fear New York City sludge

By SUZANNE GAMBOA
Associated Press Writer

SIERRA BLANCA (AP) — Sam Dodge settled in these parts with 50 head of cattle 26 years ago. He has wrestled with drought and varmints, but his herd has grown. Now, Dodge believes he faces his biggest challenge — sludge.

The waste, from New York City sewage treatment plants, is to be spread on a neighboring ranch purchased by a consortium of companies under contract to dispose of it.

Dodge is among landowners pleading for help. Some plan to meet the first sludge-filled rail car with shotguns, Dodge said.

The sludge contractors, MERCO Joint Venture, said there is no reason for worry: The waste is like fertilizer, and other sludge has been used around the country on farmland, though never before on such a large scale on rangeland.

"It's coming from New York and so people think it's got to be bad, just like picante sauce from New York isn't edible," said Jon Masters, MERCO's attorney.

MERCO, comprised of five companies, has a six-year contract to ship 400 tons of sludge daily to this sparsely populated west Texas county beginning July 1. It paid \$4.5 million for the 130,000-acre Mile High Ranch, nestled in the Eagle and Quitman mountains. Masters said the sludge contract is worth \$168 million.

The sludge originally was destined for Oklahoma, but opposition there forced it out of five communities and led to a four-year ban on sludge with significantly higher metal concentrations than found in Oklahoma.

New York City for years dumped its sludge in the ocean, but a federal ban forced it to find other disposal methods. Hudspeth County opponents ask: If it's so good, why isn't it being dumped in New York?

MERCO said the Southwest's limited rainfall, flat terrain and large tracts of available land make it ideal. Where the sludge ended up was a business decision, said Mike Quinn, New York City's Department of Environmental Protection's chief of the division of residuals operations.

But at least one New York official said the sludge's concentrations of heavy metals — zinc, lead, cadmium, nickel — at times do not meet New York and federal limits.

In written testimony, New York City Comptroller Elizabeth Holtzman questioned the sludge's safety.

"City sludge must meet (New York) state and federal quality standards consistently. But data ... shows that it still does not," she said.

Quinn dismissed her testimony as political.

"She's seeking higher office," he said. Holtzman is running for the U.S. Senate.

MERCO said it has a safety net in place to prevent a batch of bad sludge on Texas land.

"If we do get a bad test based on our own independent testing, we'll send it back. We won't just reject that container, but maybe several containers. We may end up rejecting a lot of sludge that may not be bad," Masters said.

Dodge, 59, has hundreds of head of cattle that breed and graze on about 27,000 acres near the MERCO site. Drought, rattlesnakes, coyotes and mule deer pose problems, but he worries most about the sludge.

"I think in this old country the air's so clean and fresh, I don't see why this country would need it at all," he said.

The Texas Water Commission, which quickly approved MERCO's request, is rewriting its regulations on sludge dumping in response to the Hudspeth uproar. But the rules won't apply to MERCO or several other companies that already have registered to spread sludge in the state.

Some opponents believe the commission didn't ask enough questions of MERCO. They said they have been sold out by county officials who have refused to respond to their demand to seek a court injunction to stop MERCO until an independent consultant is hired to study the project.

"I think they think we're just a bunch of dumb idiots," said farmer Linda Polk. "This land is a living being and has life and to me it has the right to be protected ... and it's not."

Federal and state studies have supported using sludge on farms.

"The concept of recycling sewage sludges back to agricultural land is indeed a very important beneficial concept to the nation," said Stan Smith, a New Mexico State University professor who researched sludge-dumping for nine years.

"But it must be done carefully."

Remnant of Cold War vanishes

By STEVE KLINE
Associated Press Writer

OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb. (AP) — Amid flourishes from a brass band and a thundering 19-volley howitzer salute, a remnant of the Cold War vanished as the Strategic Air Command closed.

"The horror of World War III never came. You kept the peace," Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said Monday during a stirring ceremony at Offutt Air Force Base, SAC headquarters for 46 years.

As SAC ended, Air Force and Navy nuclear weapons came under the control of a single Strategic Command, or STRATCOM, a streamlined military creature born of lean budgets and an easing nuclear threat. The move is part of an overall Air Force restructuring announced by President Bush on Sept. 27, 1991.

"The long bitter years of the Cold War are over, and America and her allies have won — totally, decisively, overwhelmingly," Powell said.

Navy dress white uniforms mixed with Air Force blues as 2,500 people gathered in a hangar to bid farewell to SAC. The ceremony was moved inside because of rain.

The SAC band played martial music as airmen passed in review.

Outside the door of the hangar, 19 howitzer shells were fired, the reports echoing through the cavernous structure.

SAC was the nation's nuclear sentry during the Cold War. For years, it was responsible for the nation's nuclear bombs and missiles and planned for long-range or strategic wars.

It was glorified in movies such as "Strategic Air Command" in 1955, starring Jimmy Stewart and June Allyson, and "Bombers B-52" in 1957, starring Karl Malden.

"Since 1946 SAC has had to get it right every hour of every day," Air Force Chief of Staff Merrill McPeak said during the ceremony. Also attending were Air Force Secretary Donald Rice and Gen. Lee

Butler, SAC's last commander and STRATCOM's first.

A blue shroud was placed over the familiar SAC emblem of an armored fist clutching thunderbolts and an olive branch. The new STRATCOM flag was unfurled, and Powell presented it to Butler to mark the start of the new command, also based at Offutt.

The STRATCOM emblem retains the fist, thunderbolts and olive branch, but it adds the images of a submarine and a bomber.

Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth, one of the nation's first SAC bases that got nuclear capability in 1946, marked the end of an era with a brief ceremony Monday attended by Mayor Kay Granger and other officials.

"From this runway, the men and women of Carswell kept the peace, and when peace failed, brought the war to the enemy in North Korea, North Vietnam and Iraq," said Col. Richard Szafranski, 7th Bomb Wing commander.

Next year the 50-year-old base, where scenes from "Strategic Air Command" were filmed, will close.

An open house on Wednesday will mark the passing of SAC at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene, which opened in 1956 and later became home to B-1 bombers. Visitors will be able to tour for the first time the old SAC alert facility, where two refueling tanker crews and a nuclear bomber crew maintained 24-hour readiness during the Cold War.

SAC's mission was to deter

nuclear war by posing such an enormous threat of reprisal that no one would dare risk an attack on the United States.

Current and past SAC personnel claimed victory in the Cold War with the dissolution of the Soviet Union and the collapse of communism.

Bush announced the formation of STRATCOM in September 1991, when all of SAC's bombers and Minuteman II missiles were taken off nuclear alert.

"SAC really lost its mission with the end of the Cold War," said David Sorenson, professor of national security at the Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. "SAC is a product of the Cold War. Once we took our missiles off alert, SAC became like any other command that flies."

SAC was one of three commands being phased out in an Air Force restructuring. The planes, pilots and other assets of SAC, the Tactical Air Command and the Military Airlift Command were redistributed among two new commands: the Air Combat Command at Langley Air Force Base, Va., and the Air Mobility Command at Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

"Sometimes it's hard to recognize history in the making, but let me tell you, this is it," Rice said in a ceremony early in the day at Langley.

STRATCOM will focus solely on planning.

"We'll leave it to the Navy and the Air Force to do the day-to-day business of organizing and training and equipping and all of that — running the bases. Our function here, like any unified command, is to be a planning headquarters," Butler said in an interview before SAC's demise.

Under STRATCOM, all land-, air- and submarine-based nuclear weapons will be under the command of a single unit for the first time.

Combining the nuclear weapons command was proposed 30 years ago but the plan wasn't put into effect because of rivalry between the Air Force and Navy, Butler said. STRATCOM is a fraction of the size of SAC, which had 103,000 airmen and women at 21 bases worldwide. STRATCOM will have 2,900 people, all based at Offutt.

Air Force generals and Navy admirals will alternate as commanders of STRATCOM.

The Air Combat Command will provide fighters and bombers in time of war and will train combat pilots and crews and maintain warplanes in peacetime. It controls more than 2,000 aircraft and 950 intercontinental ballistic missiles on 37 bases.

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Woman sentenced in plot to kill mother

HOUSTON (AP) — A woman charged with plotting to kill her mother with the help of her teen-age sons has been sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Barbara Wilson, 42, pleaded guilty Monday to attempted murder in the October shooting of her mother, Juanita Baird, 65. Mrs. Baird was shot in the chest as she watched television at her home, but survived her wounds.

Five others, including three of Ms. Wilson's teen-age sons, already have been sentenced in the conspiracy. A case is pending against a fourth son, Joseph Wilson, 18, and another youth allegedly involved in the plot.

Prosecutors claimed the plot capped years of resentment by Ms. Wilson toward her mother. Ms. Wilson had been charged with solicitation of capital murder, but the charge was lowered to attempted murder in plea negotiations.

Ms. Wilson's sons are serving 15-year sentences as juveniles, and a 14-year-old boy also charged in the case was sentenced to 20 years. A 15-year-old girl who shot Mrs. Baird received a 22 1/2-year sentence.

Testimony at the juveniles' trial indicated the grandsons unquestioningly followed their mother's suggestions to find someone to kill Mrs. Baird.

The boys allegedly got one youth to agree to slash Mrs. Baird's throat. That teen-ager sneaked into her home, but then became frightened and ran away.

One grandson then got an eighth-grade classmate to accept a \$2,000 "contract," police said, bringing in the 14-year-old boy and the 15-year-old girl.

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Opinion

The party's over

Two weeks ago marked the 200th birthday of the founding of the Democratic Party by Thomas Jefferson in 1789. To paraphrase Henry Adams, the continuum of the Democratic Party from Mr. Jefferson to Bill Clinton disproves the theory of evolution. Once the dominant party of the United States and the pre-eminent small-government party, the Democrats have become a gaggle of special interests seeking an ever-wider place at the public trough.

Consider the noble sentiments expressed by the party's founder. "Still one thing more, fellow citizens," Mr. Jefferson urged, "a wise and frugal government, which shall restrain men from injuring each other, which shall leave them otherwise free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement, and shall not take from the mouth of labor the bread it has earned. This is the sum of good government."

To find the platform of the 1992 Democratic Party, simply place a "not" in front of each Jeffersonian clause. How can modern Democrats even keep the name of their party without feeling guilty over their betrayal? What modern Democrat even comes close to meeting the following appeal of Mr. Jefferson? "We must make our choice between economy and liberty, or profusion and servitude. If we run into such debt, we must be taxed in our meat and drink, in our necessities and in our comforts, in our labors and in our amusements."

The Democrats' noble small-government tradition extended into the 20th century. Even as late as 1932, the Democratic Party platform, drafted by small-government delegates, called for the following as antidotes to the Great Depression:

"1) An immediate and drastic reduction of governmental expenditures by abolishing useless commissions and offices...to accomplish a saving of not less than 25 percent in the cost of the federal government...."

"2) Maintenance of the national credit by a federal budget annually balanced on the basis of accurate executive estimates with revenues...."

Alas, the presidential nominee, Franklin Roosevelt, went on to repudiate these and other small-government platform planks, casting aside the Jeffersonian tradition of limited government. Predictably, the Depression did not end; it got worse and continued until World War II. FDR destroyed not only a great deal of economic liberty in the United States, but the Democrats' long tradition of Jeffersonianism.

The Democratic Party flourished for four decades after FDR's butchery of party principles. But something cannot long endure when its founding principles have been extinguished. So with the Democrats. The late 1960s saw the beginning of the party's decline to the nadir of Gov. Clinton.

Can the Democratic Party recover? Yes, if it returns to the small-government principles under which it, and America, prospered. FDR, LBJ, and Slick Willie must be jettisoned for the Sage of Monticello.

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Gouging in the auto showroom

Americans who venture into an auto showroom tend to be unreasonably preoccupied with making sure they don't pay too much. Fortunately, we have the federal government to make sure we don't pay too little.

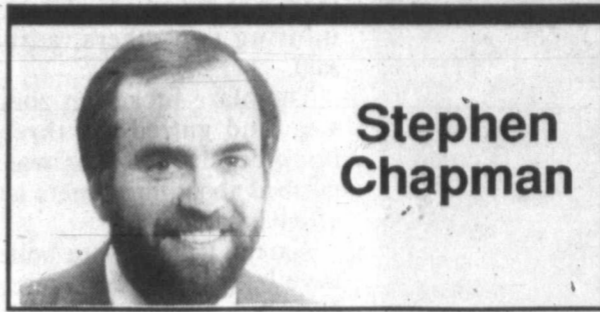
Japanese automakers have long victimized U.S. consumers with vehicles notorious for reliability, innovative design and generally high quality, but their latest crime is failing to extract enough money from us. So the Commerce Department proposes to add thousands of dollars to the price of selected imports. If the government's International Trade Commission decides that Detroit has been hurt by the Japanese, Commerce will get its wish.

The "anti-dumping" action is just one symptom of the protectionist virus infecting Washington. Apparently, the Bush administration took this step to head off Japan bashers on Capitol Hill who would like to impose the most draconian limits yet on sales of Japanese cars in America — including, for the first time, "Japanese" cars made in U.S. factories by American workers.

But after more than a decade of limits on Japanese auto imports, the administration and everyone else should know that feeding protectionists only stimulates their appetite. It also concedes the substance of the issue to the bad guys, by lending credence to the fantasy that imports sap our economic strength.

The Commerce Department's accusation is that Mazda and Toyota are selling their minivans here for less than they cost to make. When U.S. automakers do that, it's called a bargain, or maybe a blunder. When the Japanese do it, it's called an unfair trade practice.

Unfair to whom? Not consumers, but then trade



Stephen Chapman

laws have always been to consumers what Frank Perdue is to chickens. The administration's measure aims at ensuring that General Motors, Ford and Chrysler keep a tight hold on the 88 percent of the minivan market they now control and get their profits too.

In many cases, dumping means selling your product for less abroad than at home — which is taken to prove you're using domestic profits to finance predatory aggression abroad. The theory is that you're taking losses for a while to bankrupt your competitors, leaving you free to gouge foreign buyers to your heart's content.

In this case, however, the Japanese are mysteriously charging Americans more than they charge their own countrymen. So the Commerce Department tackled the unanswerable question of how much it costs Mazda and Toyota to make a minivan, including what these learned bureaucrats think is a reasonable profit, and ended up with the conclusion that these vehicles are going for less than "fair value."

The department has a remedy in the form of duties amounting to as much as \$2,700 on every Mazda minivan and up to \$1,700 per Toyota. That's right: Commerce insists that you pay \$2,700 more for an MVP than Mazda is prepared to ask.

But fair value is a legal fiction, not an order of economic nature. The marketplace doesn't guarantee each producer a fixed margin on every sale, or any sale. Companies sell at less than a reasonable profit all the time, when competition makes it impossible to charge more. They even sell at an outright loss sometimes, when the alternative is not selling at all.

Say a bread glut depresses prices. If you're a baker, it makes sense to keep the ovens hot as long as you lose less money staying open than closing — as long as the cost of one day's electricity, flour and labor is less than one day's revenue. The key question is not whether Mazda and Toyota are losing money on each sale, but whether they would lose more by not producing at all, thus kissing off all the money they spent building minivan plants.

The assumption behind the anti-dumping duties is that the Japanese automakers are deliberately losing lots of money that they don't have to lose. This sort of behavior is rarely seen in a capitalist economy for one reason: It's insane. In the real world, it almost never pays to take huge unnecessary losses to ruin a rival, on the expectation that you can then jack prices up to scandalously lucrative levels. Once you raise prices, you invite all sorts of new rivals to jump into your market, leaving you to take your losses, drench them in ketchup and eat them.

The Big Three have little to fear if Mazda and Toyota are losing their shirts selling minivans. Their real concern is that the Japanese are making money, giving them hope of capturing a bigger share of the market by offering something Americans like. Anyone who thinks that process is bad for us should be sentenced to a life term on the interstate, behind the wheel of a Pinto.

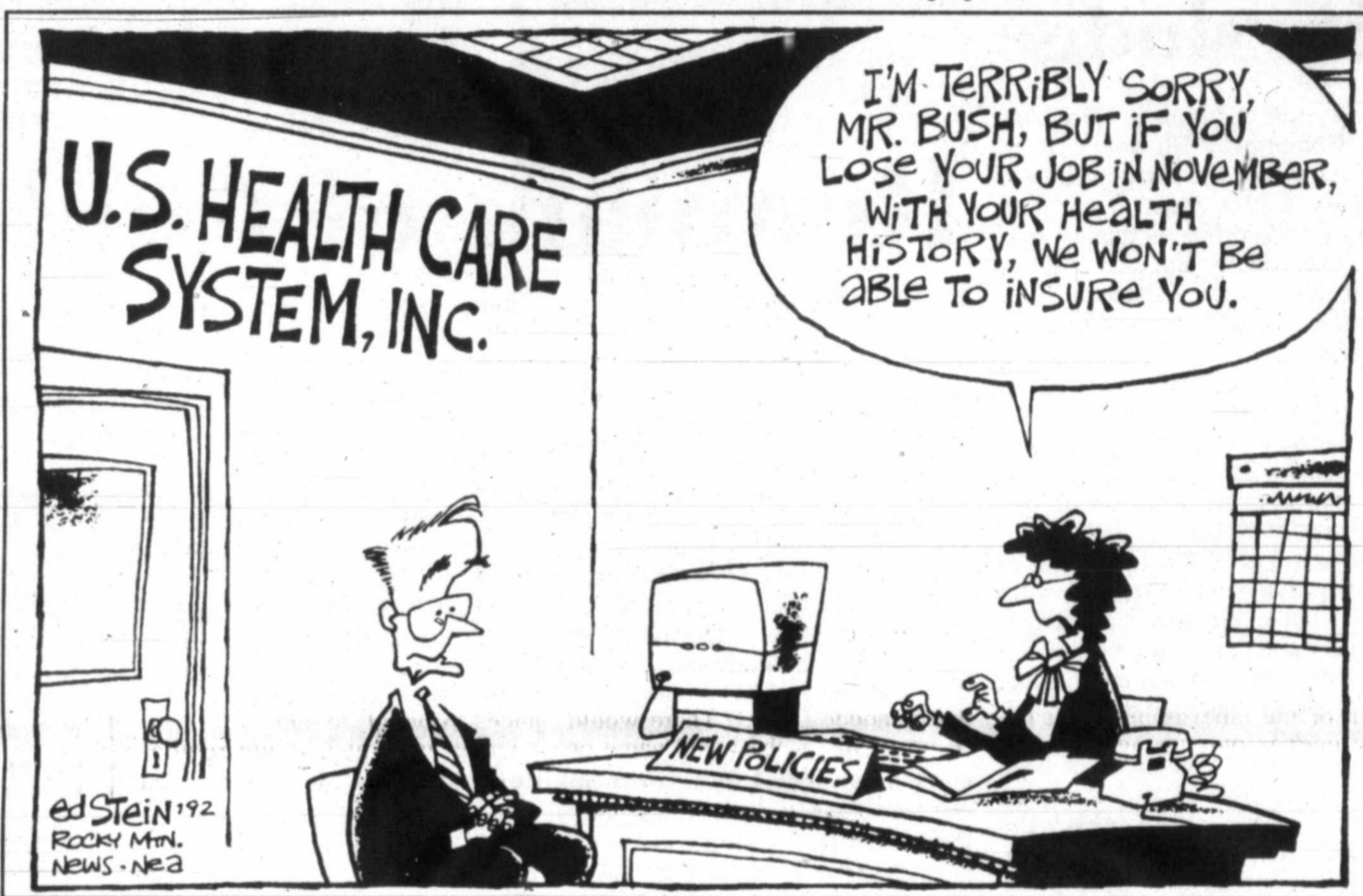
Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, June 2, the 154th day of 1992. There are 212 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On June 2, 1941, baseball's "Iron Horse," Lou Gehrig, died in New York of a degenerative disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.

On this date:
In 1851, Maine became the first state to enact a law prohibiting alcohol.
In 1883, the first non-league baseball game to be played under electric lights took place, in Fort Wayne, Ind.
In 1924, Congress granted U.S. citizenship to all American Indians.
In 1966, the U.S. space probe Surveyor One landed on the moon and began transmitting detailed photographs of the lunar surface.
In 1975, Vice President Nelson Rockefeller said his commission had found no widespread pattern of illegal activities at the Central Intelligence Agency.



An o'ppportunity to save o'possum

SAN FRANCISCO — You walk around in this city and on every corner of every street, it seems, there is somebody with a hand out asking for money to save something.

They're big on saving the rain forests out here. "Give to save the rain forest," a guy who looked a little like a spotted owl asked.

"I gave at the last corner," I said.
"I don't give a hoot," he replied, "You should give at my corner, too. If we don't save the rain forest, there won't be any more oxygen to breathe."

"Well," I said, walking away by that time, "the hole in the ozone layer will have gotten a lot bigger and we'll all be french-fried anyway."

So I saved a little on that corner but I got hit on the next one from somebody trying to save the whales.

They're trying to save the rain forests, the spotted owl, the whales, the manatees in Florida, and whatever happened to the snail darter?

After experiencing this all day, I began to wonder if I were active enough in this area and was there anything I should get behind and try to save.

Just like that, it came to me. I think I ought to get busy and try to save the possum.

What, you might be asking, do I want to save the possum from?

From getting run over by some sort of motor-



Lewis Grizzard

ized vehicle every time one tries to cross the road, that's what.

I don't have any research statistics to back this up, but I will be willing to bet at least eight out of every ten possums that tries to get from one side of the road to the other gets smushed by a car, a Greyhound bus, or a pulpwood truck.

I'm not certain how many dead possums I have seen lying smushed in the road in my lifetime's travels around the South, but I'm certain I've seen more possums than dogs or chickens, legendary roadcrossers themselves.

When I was a child, to keep me quiet in the car, my family would count dead dogs and dead possums on the road. My grandfather would take dead dogs and I would take dead possums and every

time we arrived at our destination I had always counted more dead possums than my grandfather had counted dead dogs.

Chickens and dogs, of course, cross the road to get to the other side. Why possums cross the road remains a mystery. Perhaps they are looking for other possums. I'm not Marlin Perkins here.

Whatever, it is up to us to try to save as many possums crossing the road as possible. Some may be saying, Isn't it supposed to be "O'-possum"?

That is correct, and the way possums got that 'O' in front of their names is from crossing the road and seeing headlights and thinking, "O' hell, I'm a goner now."

How to save the possum:

Put up signs on roads that read: Watch out for crossing possums.

Increase possum awareness so that motorists will be more sensitive and brake when they see one crossing the road.

In places where there are a high concentration of possums trying to cross the road, possum patrol persons would stop traffic to allow the possum to cross in safety.

Save the possum. The 'O' stands for "O'ly You Can Stop the Road Killings."

And watch for me with my hand out at a street corner near you.

Church's response shocks burglar

The Rev. Dustin Cooper opened the door of Asbury Methodist Church in Springfield, Mo., one day in May 1990 and discovered his church had been broken into. Some sound equipment and an electronic keyboard had been stolen, and Cooper was good and steamed.

The burglar wasn't feeling too hot about what he'd done either, he says now. He couldn't even glance out the car window toward Asbury when he passed.

Yet he was also defiant. He was 18 years old, had lost his job and wanted the equipment for his own use. "I figured I'd get it from someone else," he said, "and the insurance would write it off."

A detective came to his house a year later and arrested him. It was his first arrest. In the months before the pre-sentencing hearing last February, he and his wife prepared for his imprisonment. The judge could have sentenced him to seven years, but an extraordinary thing happened.

"We talked about packing my stuff up and that she'd probably have to go back on food stamps and AEDC to support my stepson," he remembered. "When we got married, I got her off that."

When he arrived at the courthouse and heard Cooper introduce himself, he expected Cooper's testimony to cinch his trip to jail. "I thought he was gonna say, 'We want to send this guy to jail.'"

What he didn't count on was that since hearing of his arrest, Cooper and his congregants had taken a trip into their own souls to examine the core of what they professed. It began as Cooper prayed



Sarah Overstreet

and worked through his anger, and jelled when he learned the burglar had been apprehended and that under the county victim-advocate program, the Asbury members would be allowed to respond to the plea agreement.

"Once he was arrested, my hope and prayer was that this was an opportunity for the church to make an impact on his life," Cooper remembers, "That he and the church would meet and reconcile."

A sermon asking the congregation to consider the fate of the burglar began to form in his mind, and he prepared hand-out cards listing four choices of punishment. Each parishioner would be allowed to choose one.

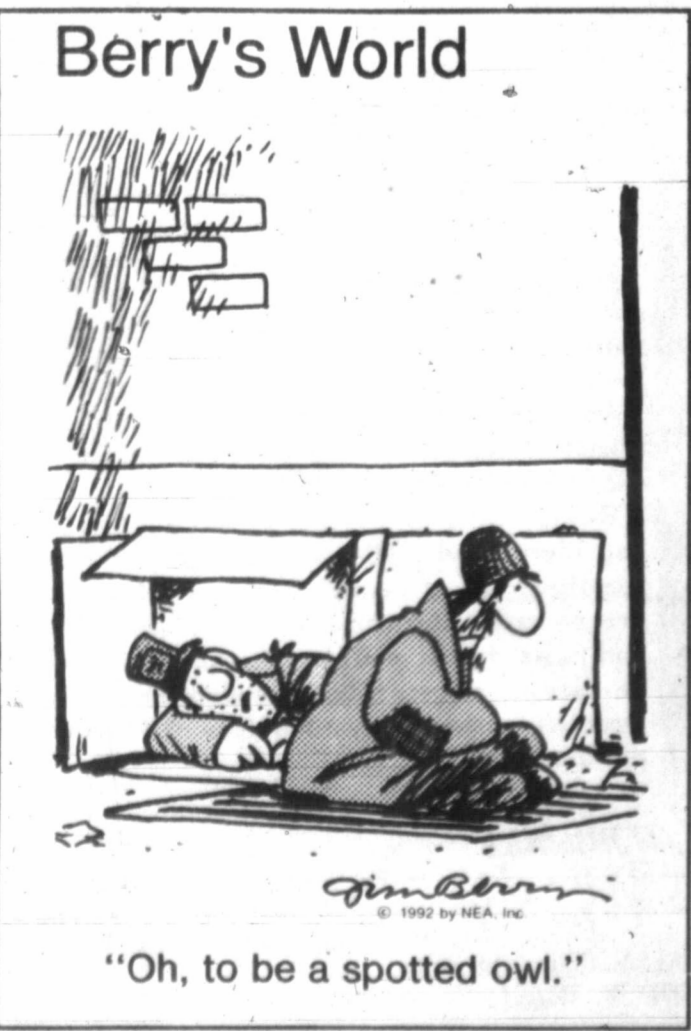
When the cards came back, 6 percent wanted jail time, 6 percent wanted the judge to decide and 82 percent wanted probation with community service. This was the recommendation Cooper gave the judge, and the judge concurred. It was Good Friday, a day known for the forgiving of another thief.

"I was in shock," the burglar remembers. "I couldn't understand why they were doing this. I'd grown up in a fundamentalist church, and I'd seen bad stuff happen between church members. I'd never seen anything like these guys. I asked Dustin, 'Why are you doing this?' He said, 'We just wanted you to know we forgave you.'"

Cooper says the incident has spurred a lot of "discussion and searching" among church members. "After Jeffery Dahmer was arrested, we asked ourselves, 'Could we have extended the same offer of grace to him?' Then two weeks ago one of the members found out an employee had been stealing from him. He said his first response was to put the guy away, then he asked himself, 'What is my Christian response?'"

Cooper is convinced the correct Christian response to crime is to do your best to balance the issues of justice and grace, and to encourage reconciliation between victims and criminals. He also believes that encouraging restitution to victims by their victimizers leads to the most effective healing of the injury crime causes.

Since the verdict, the Asbury burglar has a new job, and he and his family have attended several Asbury services. I don't mean to imply a happy-ever-after ending for the story, or that anyone knows the burglar will never victimize anyone again. All I can say for sure is that at least for this moment in time, Dustin Cooper's prayers were answered.



"Oh, to be a spotted owl."

Man held in slaying of actor Bob Crane

By NEIL BIBLER
Associated Press Writer

PHOENIX (AP) — A previously overlooked scrap of human tissue inside a rental car led to an arrest in the bludgeoning death 14 years ago of "Hogan's Heroes" star Bob Crane.

John Henry Carpenter, a 64-year-old former friend of the actor, was arrested in California on a murder warrant Monday and jailed without bail for a July 1 hearing. He was accused of crushing Crane's skull with a camera tripod.

Carpenter, who had been under suspicion for years, has repeatedly denied killing Crane. He called his arrest "tomfoolery." And his lawyer, Gary Fleischman, said the delay would preclude a fair trial.

At a news conference, Maricopa County Attorney Richard Romley gave no motive for the slaying.

The Arizona Republic said investigators found videotapes Crane had made of himself having sex with women, raising speculation that Crane was killed by a jealous husband or boyfriend.

In court papers, investigators said tests on tissue found inside Carpenter's rental car indicated it might contain brain matter.

The discovery of the tissue had been overlooked by previous investigators, authorities said.

Blood found in the car was type B, the same as Crane's, and of all the people known to have ridden in that car while Carpenter had it, only the actor had type B, the complaint against Carpenter said.

The complaint identified the murder weapon as a camera tripod. It said one was missing from Crane's apartment.

Crane, who played the wisecracking and devious Col. Robert Hogan in the 1960s TV series, was killed on Jan. 29, 1978, in Scottsdale, a Phoenix suburb, where he was appearing in a play.

He was found in his apartment with his head crushed, an electrical cord around his throat.

Carpenter and the actor were known to have argued at a nightclub two days earlier. Carpenter was the last person known to have talked with Crane by telephone the morning of the slaying, authorities said.

Police had asked for Carpenter's indictment later that year, but prosecutors said there wasn't enough evidence. When Romley took office in 1989, he created a special review panel.

Carpenter had met Crane when he sold him video equipment in 1966 or 1967, according to Robert D. Crane, the actor's son.



John H. Carpenter stands in a Los Angeles courtroom Monday after being arrested for the 1978 brutal slaying of actor Bob Crane, star of television's "Hogan's Heroes." (AP Photo)

Court ruling puts frozen embryos in a legal limbo

By DUNCAN MANSFIELD
Associated Press Writer

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Seven frozen embryos are in legal limbo after Tennessee's Supreme Court ruled that a divorced woman cannot use them to make her ex-husband a father against his will.

The five-member court ruled unanimously Monday that Mary Sue Davis Stowe cannot implant or donate the test-tube embryos she and Junior Lewis Davis conceived three years ago before their breakup.

It was left unclear what might happen next to the 4- to 8-cell embryos frozen in liquid nitrogen at a Knoxville fertility clinic.

The court said the clinic "is free to follow its normal procedure in dealing with unused pre-embryos, as long as that procedure is not in conflict with this opinion."

Charles Clifford, Davis' lawyer, said the embryos probably will be destroyed.

"You can't give them to us, can't give them to her, can't donate them if anybody objects. So what does that leave? ... Turn up the heat," he said.

"I guess they are just going to sit there," said Mrs. Stowe's lawyer, Kurt Erlenbach. "That's what we will explore over the next few days."

The clinic's owner, Dr. I. Ray King, who once testified he would never destroy the embryos, said only that he would meet with his attorney.

Davis, 33, was fighting a lower court ruling that would have allowed his 31-year-old former wife to try to bring the embryos to term. Such embryos are implanted in women like Mrs. Stowe who are unable to conceive naturally.

"I'm ecstatic," Davis said of the ruling. "I think this is a great step for men as far as having a right."

Mrs. Stowe was disappointed but "not particularly surprised," her lawyer said.

The justices cited a lack of legal precedents despite the more than 5,000 babies born through in-vitro fertilization in the United States. But they said privacy rights made them lean toward Davis' position.

Privacy rights include the right to procreate as well as the right to avoid procreation, the court said.

"Ordinarily, the party wishing to avoid procreation should prevail," the court said, but that could be offset by the other party's inability to have children by any other means.

The court said that wasn't the case with Mrs. Stowe, who has remarried and has also considered adoption.

The justices also said that if Mrs. Stowe were allowed to donate the embryos to a childless couple, as she had offered to do, Davis "would face a lifetime of either wondering about his parental status or knowing about his parental status but having no control over it."

"This opinion was well-researched, well-written and insightful, but wrong," Erlenbach said. "It treats these seven embryos as though they are fungible commodities ... (not) seven potential children."

Clifford said the ruling means it is "up to the people to decide what happens to their embryos." And if they can't decide, the court "only weighs the interest of the respective parties and not of embryos, pre-embryos, zygotes or whatever."

Erlenbach said that there was little ground for appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court and that Mrs. Stowe would pursue other options for children, including in-vitro fertilization with her current husband.

Mrs. Stowe won a judge's decision in 1989 giving her temporary custody of the embryos so she could have them implanted in her womb.

Circuit Judge W. Dale Young took the unprecedented step of ruling that "life begins at conception" and that the embryos were "children in vitro" deserving full state protection.

Law library shooting leaves two dead

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A man who sued the city over alleged excessive force by police shot and killed his attorney in the County Law Library and then killed himself.

Witnesses said they overheard James Sinclair mutter, "attorneys have ruined the world," "now is the day of justice" and "I finally got you" before firing the fatal shots Monday in the library's reading room.

Police Lt. John Dunkin said the victim was Michael Friedman, 38. About 25 people were in the room at the time, but no one else was hurt.

"It was frantic inside. People were scattering all over the place," said library patron Nathaniel Richardson.

Sinclair and Friedman, both of Los Angeles, had spent the morning in Superior Court and were to return for the start of a trial that afternoon.

Sinclair was suing the city, claiming he suffered psychological problems after police took him into custody in December 1988 when he argued with people smoking in line at a post office, said Mike Qualls, a spokesman for the city attorney.

It was Sinclair's second such lawsuit. In January, he lost a federal civil rights lawsuit against the city. He had claimed he injured his hands and suffered psychological damage in early 1988 when police handcuffed him when he allegedly interfered with the questioning of suspected car thieves.

Fancy fruit juices

Label shouts 'papaya;' tiny print whispers 'pineapple'

By JENNIFER DIXON
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers spend hundreds of millions of dollars on exotic-sounding fruit drinks, but the papaya juice they think they're sipping may actually be pineapple.

The Center for Science in the Public Interest said Monday it surveyed more than two dozen fruit-juice products and found that the truth about what's inside the bottle was usually hidden in the fine print.

One label shouted "Very Cherry," but the small type on the back of the bottle whispered white grape and apple juice. And the main ingredients in the Maine Coast Blueberry juice turned out to be apple juice and apple puree from concentrate, the consumer advocacy group said.

"The food industry is cheating the American consumer out of hundreds of millions of dollars annually by passing off what is mostly apple and grape juice as more

expensive kiwi, peach, strawberry and cherry juice," said Bruce Silverglade, the group's legal affairs director.

Maine Coast Blueberry sold at one Washington supermarket for \$2.39 a quart, compared to a unit price of \$1.45 per quart for a half-gallon bottle of Motts pure apple juice.

Silverglade said that because consumers spend more than \$9 billion a year on fruit juices and drinks, "people deserve the facts. ... The name of the juice on the front of the label is not what the consumer is purchasing in many, many cases."

But John R. Cady, the president of the National Food Processors Association, said the group's survey amounted to nothing more than a "disinformation campaign."

The association and the Center for Science in the Public Interest also have been wrangling over a proposed labeling regulation that would require manufacturers to list the percentage of each juice used in blends.

The Food and Drug Administration must finalize the new labeling requirements by Nov. 8. Juice manufacturers would be required to begin using the new labels by May 1993.

The processors association contends that listing the percentage of each juice is almost certain to lead to cluttered labels and "info-glut," said Alan Matthys, the group's vice president of regulatory affairs.

"If CSPI had its way, food labels would consist of nothing but green lights, red lights, sirens and warnings," added Cady. "There would be no room for the brand name or picture."

In addition to the total percentage of juice in the drink, the new labels also would require a full nutritional analysis and a listing of the juices in order of concentration, Matthys said.

"Adding to the label the percentage of each individual juice in the drink will give the consumer no useful additional information — or any health or nutritional advantage," Matthys said. "In fact, it

distracts from the key nutritional information."

The labeling requirements would also require manufacturers to reveal how much juice is actually in a bottle of "juice drink" or "juice cocktail."

As a result of that proposal, many manufacturers are moving toward bottling beverages that are 100 percent juice, Silverglade said.

"The next cheapest thing to water is apple and grape juice, to use as fillers. But they're being labeled as peach or strawberry juice," Silverglade said.

Under current labeling regulations, manufacturers must list ingredients in order of predominance, but not by percentage. The CSPI survey was based on reading product labels.

"Many fruit-juice producers are misrepresenting the composition of products made from two or more juices," Silverglade said. "The FDA's proposed labeling regulation, if finalized, would help prevent fruit juice producers from duping consumers."

Analysis raises doubts about Star Wars missile deployment

NEW YORK (AP) — A Pentagon study suggests a congressional plan to deploy the \$35 billion Star Wars antimissile system by 1997 could risk major cost overruns and result in a "technologically inferior" system, according to a published report.

The New York Times reports in today's editions that David S.C. Chu, an assistant secretary of defense, said the Star Wars plan should be overhauled and its deployment delayed by up to six years.

President Reagan originally envisioned a system of space- and land-based missiles that would

create an impenetrable shield against nuclear attack, but Congress has only endorsed building land-based interceptors and has scheduled deployment for 1997.

Chu, the Pentagon's top program analyst, is quoted as saying if that timetable is met, the system is "almost certain to suffer early, significant cost-growth and schedule slippage" because of abbreviated testing.

Moreover, Chu wrote, the plan could produce interceptors and other antimissile hardware that were "technologically inferior" and unable to adequately defend the nation.

The Times said it obtained Chu's internal Pentagon document from an analyst who views the antimissile system as flawed and wanted to call attention to high-level Pentagon doubts about it.

The director of the Strategic Defense Initiative, Henry Cooper, has acknowledged that the 1997 deployment schedule carries risks. But he told the Senate Armed Services Committee last month that the risk was "acceptable given the urgency related to our uncertainty in predicting when we might actually be threatened with ballistic missile attack."

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Study: AIDS fails to make women avoid pregnancy

By MALCOLM RITTER
AP Science Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Testing pregnant women for the AIDS virus and warning them of the risk of passing it on to their babies may do little to reduce the number of infected infants born, researchers say.

Those steps had little impact on a group of pregnant inner-city women who learned they were infected, researchers said.

Although they were more likely to abort the immediate pregnancy than were women who learned they were not infected, the infected women went on to have just as many children over the course of the study.

Researchers suggested that to reduce the number of infected babies, women must be provided with adequate birth control, their sexual partners must be involved in efforts to prevent further births, and "women must be helped to find self-fulfillment in areas other than childbearing."

The result also emphasizes the importance of finding biological ways to prevent mother-to-baby transmission, said study co-author Dr. Howard Minkoff. It also supports maintaining access to abortion, he said.

He and colleagues at the State University of New York Health Science Center in Brooklyn present the study in the June issue of the journal *Obstetrics and Gynecology*.

The study finding makes sense, said Vickie Mays, a psychologist at the University of California at Los Angeles who studies AIDS-related behavior in women and minorities.

"When you tell someone there is 20 to 50 percent chance of their child being seropositive (infected) with the virus, that's not horrendous if you think about it," Mays said. "Given what the meaning of pregnancy could be, you might decide to take that risk."

A new child may mean more intimacy with a sexual partner or even marriage, or an impetus for leading a better life, she said. In the inner city, a child may also be seen as a chance to raise the family's status if he or she grows up to be successful, and a source of support for the mother in her later years, Mays said.

In addition, many births from infected women in the study were probably not planned, she said. In poorer households, lack of privacy and mismatched work shifts can make it harder to plan sex, and so to practice contraception, she said. Sexual partners may also object to contraceptives like condoms, she said.

The study involved 206 pregnant, mostly minority women of low socioeconomic status. They were drawn from a Brooklyn area with high rates of infection with the AIDS virus, or HIV, Minkoff said. The women, all enrolled in prenatal care programs, were offered HIV testing and counseling.

The women were told that an infected woman runs a 20 percent to 50 percent chance of transmitting the virus to her baby. That reflects the state of knowledge at the time the counseling was done from 1986 to 1989. More recent research puts the risk at around 25 percent to 30 percent in the United States, Minkoff said in a telephone interview.

Testing found that 98 women were infected, or HIV-positive, and 108 were uninfected. Of the women who learned the test results early enough in pregnancy to allow for abortion, six of 32 HIV-positive women had an abortion, compared with one of 34 HIV-negative women.

Researchers then followed all the women for an average of about 18 months following the end of their initial pregnancy. During that time, 20 of 87 HIV-positive women had one or more babies, as did 19 of 101 HIV-negative women. Each group produced 23 live births.

Some women were not included in this analysis because researchers lost contact with them.

Former sex-slave procurer confesses, plans to make penitence trip to Korea

By YURI KAGEYAMA
Associated Press Writer

ABIKO, Japan (AP) — Half a century has passed, but Seiji Yoshida cannot forget kicking away clinging, wailing Korean children as his men herded young mothers into trucks to become sex slaves for the Japanese Imperial Army.

Yoshida, 78, is the only Japanese to have publicly confessed involvement in the systematic kidnapping of women from Korean villages to be raped over and over again by Japanese soldiers during World War II.

"I am prepared to be killed for what I did," Yoshida says quietly. "I am just like the Nazi officials who operated the gas chambers."

Yoshida plans a journey of penitence to South Korea next month to hold a private ceremony of prayer and formal apology for the women called "ianfu" or "comfort women" by the Japanese.

As a young man, Yoshida led one of the many "labor recruitment groups" acting under military and government orders to capture Korean men for work and women for sexual enslavement during Japan's occupation of the peninsula.

No official figures are available, but Korean and Japanese historians estimate the number of "comfort women" at between 70,000 and 200,000.

Yoshida says he personally supervised the abduction of 1,000 Korean women, shipping them to Shimonoeki, southwestern Japan, where they were sent to the battlefronts of China, Southeast Asia and Okinawa.

They were forced to have sex with dozens of soldiers a day in buildings resembling jailhouses.

"A scene from hell" was how Eizo Kitazawa, a former soldier, described it in a newspaper article. The men formed lines outside, each holding a ticket bought for a token price.

Many of the women died of venereal disease. The women were left to starve and face air raids alone when the troops began their retreat late in the war.

A few filed lawsuits in Tokyo in the past year, angrily demanding reparations from Japan. Four were in Tokyo District Court on Monday for the first hearing of their case.

Japan, with a record of covering up wartime atrocities, long denied the military's involvement. But government documents surfaced in January that show the army controlled recruiting women and running "comfort centers."

Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa apologized in Seoul but stopped short of offering compensation.

In a recent book, feminist historian Yuko Suzuki questioned Miyazawa's sincerity — "Considering the age of these women, their current plight and the days they have left, the treatment goes beyond procrastination and can only be called cruel."

Yoshida believes Japan should give compensation and has offered to testify in parliament.

But he becomes a little testy when asked what his feelings were back then. "That's a postwar con-



Seiji Yoshida

cept. We just carried out orders. We were at point zero psychologically. It was just business."

He said all Japanese were brainwashed under militarism, even into forming suicide units.

"I felt nothing. I was busy, I was desperate, I was possessed."

When Yoshida began looking for sex slaves on Korean farms in the

1940s, almost all the young already had left to work in Japanese-operated factories, leaving behind the elderly, teen-age mothers and their toddlers and infants.

With about a dozen men aided by local military police, Yoshida would encircle a village. His people would storm the village, beating the women with sticks.

"The people were in a state of panic. Dogs barking, babies crying. It was horrible. That's one scene I can never forget — a child shrieking and trying to follow his mother, then someone kicks him away, and the truck drives off."

"Those children must be in their 50s by now. There's no way they would have forgotten."

Others involved have not come forward, fearing retaliation.

Yoshida has become the target of hatred from nationalist Japanese, who believe he disgraced the soldiers killed in the war.

He has received death threats. But he speaks out still about what he considers his unpunished war crime.

Yoshida says he asks people "to please remember in their prayers those women who died on the front."



David J. Mullany, whose grandfather, David N. Mullany invented the Wiffle Ball, poses at the company's Shelton, Conn., factory recently with a Wiffle Ball and bat. The Mullany's created the Wiffle Ball 39 years ago and it has provided the family a living ever since.

Millions whiff Wiffle Ball

SHELTON, Conn. (AP) — The curve ball that David A. Mullany threw 39 years ago launched his career — not as a Hall of Fame pitcher, but as co-inventor and maker of one of America's favorite backyard games, the Wiffle Ball.

Mullany, then 13, and his father, David N. Mullany, used packaging material and tape to invent the dancing plastic sphere that makes batters "whiff" — hence the name.

The ball, which makes it easy for even the most rag-armed pitcher to throw a curve, slider, sinker or screwball, has provided the family with a living ever since.

"No other ball compares to the Wiffle Ball," said Mike Palinczar, president of the New Jersey Wiffle Ball Association. "With a Wiffle Ball you can make it do just about anything."

Sales of the white perforated plastic balls and yellow plastic bats continue to grow, although figures are a family secret, said David A. Mullany, now 51 and company president. His father died in 1990.

It's no longer just a kid's game. Adults have formed a World Wiffle Ball Association with official rules

and a championship tournament that last year drew 35 teams to suburban Boston.

There is a simple premise behind Wiffle's success: Everyone wants to throw a curve. Even President Bush tried to snap off one last year when he threw out the ceremonial first pitch for the Texas Rangers, but it hit the dirt.

Mullany's father was out of work in 1953 and looking for a business venture when he dreamed up the Wiffle Ball.

"My father saw me and a friend using a plastic golf ball and a broom handle to play baseball in our backyard for hours on end, and he saw that we were always trying to throw curves," Mullany said.

"He knew he'd have something if he could make a ball that would curve."

A baseball pitcher throws a curve by spinning the ball. The elder Mullany, who had played baseball in college, thought if he made one half of the ball lighter than the other, it should curve.

Using tape and some perfume packaging material, the Mullany's quickly learned that the shape and

configuration of the holes in the ball, not the weight, were the key to making it curve.

They determined that a ball with eight oblong holes on the top half and a solid bottom worked best.

The Wiffle Ball was born, and the elder Mullany took out a second mortgage and started Wiffle Ball Inc.

The company has depended largely on word of mouth. It operates out of a modest, two-story brick building and employs about 20 people.

Experienced Wiffle Ball pitchers know they can make the balls dance even more by scuffing them a bit. A good Wiffle Ball pitcher can throw a 5-foot curve, a sinker that drops like lead, a screwball, a fastball, just about anything.

"A good Wiffle pitcher is just about unstoppable," Palinczar said.

The person who first threw the Wiffle curve said the best part of the game is that the ball is a great equalizer.

"The beauty of it is, you can get a guy 30 years old playing against his son, who is 12 years old, and he can't overpower him with size or strength," Mullany said.

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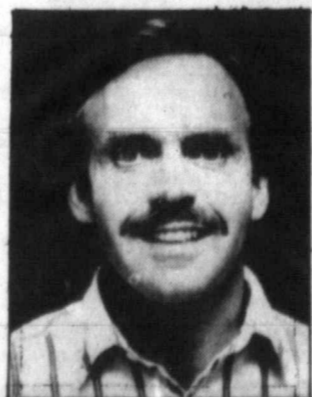
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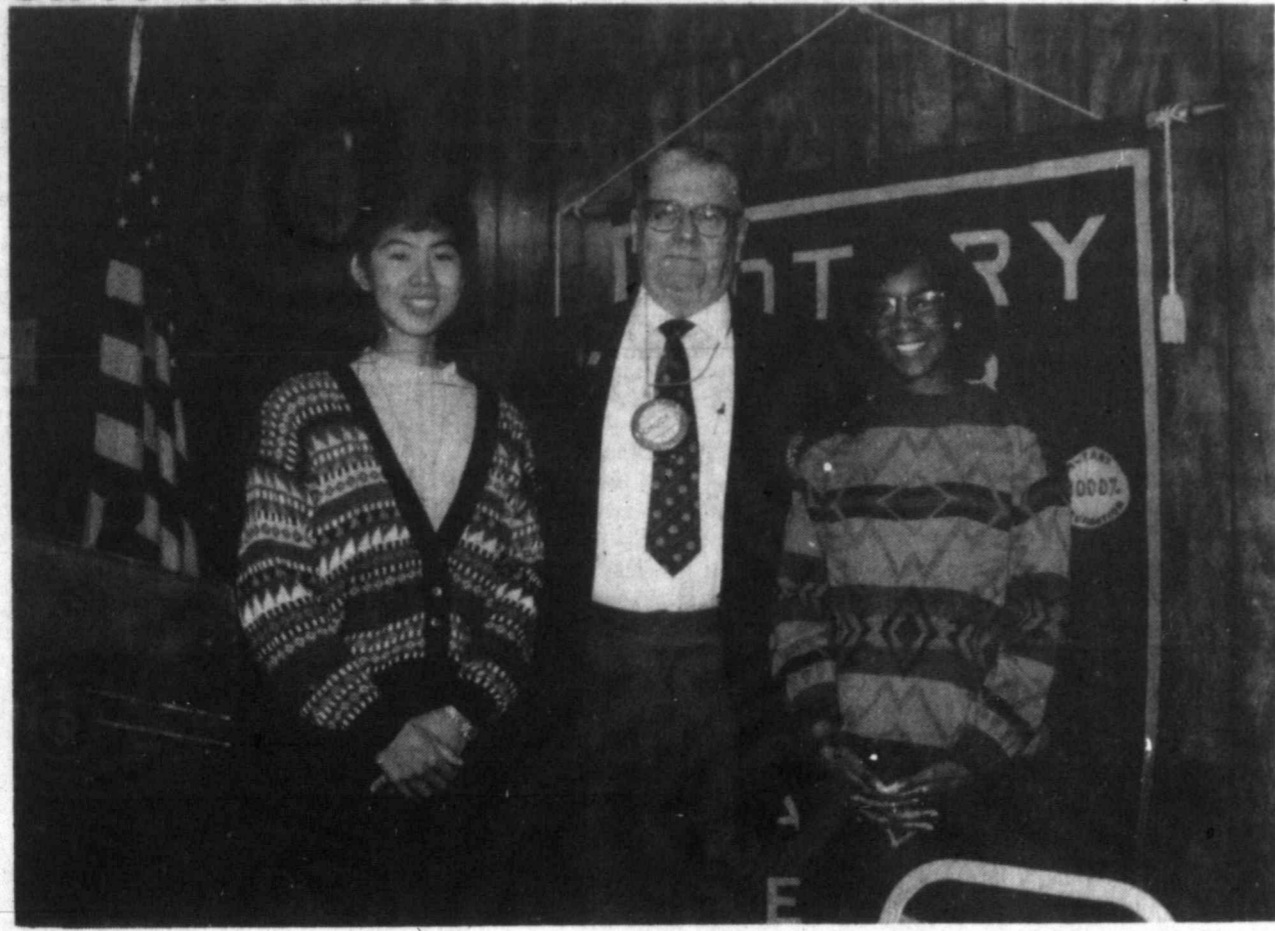
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Lifestyles

Students honored



(Staff photo by Daniel Wieggers) Chuck LaBarr, center, president of the Pampa Rotary Club, congratulates Jocelyn Chen, left, as student of the month and Crystal Woods-Patrick, who received a \$1500 scholarship from the club.

Homeowners can make trees grow faster

By GARDEN, DECK and LANDSCAPE PLANNER For AP Special Features

Establishing trees on a lot is an important step, and landscaping professionals suggest buying the largest trees possible. However, there is another factor even more important than their cost: The faster the trees grow, the sooner homeowners have cooling shade and a look of permanence for the lot. Homeowners sometimes lose or stunt young trees because of some common mistakes. Lack of water is the biggest danger. It takes a new tree up to three years to develop roots to make up for those lost in transplanting. During that time, they are vulnerable to drought.

Moreover, when first transplanted, trees have so few roots that they may not even be able to take up all the water available. If new trees wilt badly, prune some of the top branches to balance the loss of roots. Shower the foliage until wilting stops. To water the roots, make a doughnutlike depression a few inches deep 2 to 3 feet from the trunk so water will not run off. Not long ago, a dislike depression extending the same distance

around the tree was considered ideal. But the doughnut works better because it prevents puddling around the trunk, where water could cause rot.

Water deeply — as much as 5 gallons for a 3- to 4-foot tree — each week that there is less than 1 inch of rainfall.

Wrapping and staking is sometimes required by nurseries if their guarantee is to be honored. Wrapping the lower trunk with tree wrap or heavy paper will prevent sunburn until the canopy of leaves grows enough to shade the trunk. Wrapping also prevents some damage from insects and power tools, such as lawn mowers and trimmers. Use masking tape, and leave the wrap in place. It will eventually rot off.

Staking was, until recently, a rule without exception. New research, however, has shown that some sway is necessary for trees to develop strength and resilience. Too much swaying will keep the roots constantly under stress and prevent them from settling and spreading. So, use the minimum staking necessary, perhaps none for small transplants. Remove ties to test the tree for strength, and take out stakes when they're not needed.

Another danger to trees is girdling. This often happens to new trees that come with a wire label loosely attached. As the tree grows, the trunk or branch grows so much in circumference that the wire is embedded in the bark. Growth will then be restricted, and there will be a swelling above this point.

Girdling can kill a tree quicker than any type of injury because it can entirely cut off the flow of nutrients and water to the branches farther up the tree. To avoid girdling, remove anything that could ever bind. Run guy wires through pieces of hose, and remove them as soon as they are no longer needed. When possible, tie branches with soft string or pieces of nylon hose that will stretch or break before they bind.

Nicks and injuries from power tools probably kill more trees than anything. Modern lawn mowers can skin away bark and leave the inner layers open to insects and disease. String trimmers can do even more damage. The best way to avoid this is to mulch the area around the trunks of trees so there is no need to go near them for trimming.

Questions linger in wake of Los Angeles riots

DEAR ABBY: Everybody in the country — and even in some foreign countries — is still talking about the Rodney King incident that turned the city of Los Angeles into a war zone. What are your thoughts on this?

ST. LOUIS READER

DEAR READER: I would like the answers to two questions:

(1) What was in the minds of those 12 jurors who delivered a unanimous verdict of "not guilty" after having seen the videotape of Rodney King being beaten mercilessly at the hands of four uniformed Los Angeles police officers?

(2) While the looters were stealing and setting fires, why did it take so long for those in authority to arrive on the scene and stop them?

DEAR ABBY: We invited "Andy," our 12-year-old grandson, to visit us for 10 days during baseball spring training. We sent a round-trip airline ticket and looked forward to having him with us.

During Andy's visit, we observed that he did not take criticism (concerning table manners, etc.) very



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

well, but we just let it pass. Now the problem: After Andy left, we discovered that the portable TV set that he had been allowed to use during his visit here was missing.

My husband, "George," called Andy's mother, preferring not to discuss it with Andy's father (our son) because we feared he might be too hard on the boy. Andy's mother was very nice, and asked George to hold the phone while she checked to see if the portable TV was in Andy's room. In a few minutes, she came back to the phone and informed us that she had found the missing TV pushed way back in Andy's closet. She told us that she would deal with Andy, and we could expect the portable TV immediately.

It has been about a month now, and we have not received the portable TV set. George and I are wondering if we should just let it go, or make an issue of it.

CONCERNED GRANDPARENTS

DEAR CONCERNED: Write or telephone Andy's mother and ask her why you haven't received the portable TV set. You would be doing Andy a favor.

Stealing is no small matter; if Andy thinks he can get off scot-free, he will be encouraged to steal more costly items.

Also, I think you are doing Andy's father a grave disservice to withhold this information from him.

DEAR ABBY: On behalf of my sister-in-law, Myrtle, I submit the following limerick in retaliation for the one about the old lady named Myrtle who bought herself a new girdle:

There was a fat lady named Abby
Who sat on her cute little tabby.
The cat took a chunk
Out of Dear Abby's rump
Now Abby's not nearly so flabby.

SUSAN BLACK,
LUMBER BRIDGE, N.C.

Artists to display work



(Staff photo by Daniel Wieggers) Sue Abbot, standing, teaches art at Coronado Nursing Center. Seated from left, are her students Mrs. E. Maddox, Blanche Jenkins, Betty Pannell, Mildred Miller, Billie Hefner and Robert Ward. A public show is set for 1 - 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at Lovett Memorial Library. The public is invited.

Club News

Gray County Extension Council met May 18 with Mary Chesser presiding. Thank you notes were read from Hospice, Meals on Wheels, Adult Literacy and Top O' Texas Crisis Pregnancy Center.

Fall workshop was announced for 9:30 am, Sept. 14, at the annex. A supply list will be given at the August council meeting.

Laura Williams was selected a winner of the 4-H scholarship of \$500.00.

The Council quilt tickets will be made available at the Sew-Fair on August 27. The quilt will be presented to the winner at Christmas in October, set for October 2 at the M. K. Brown Room of the community building.

The June, July and August donations will go to: Devil's Rope Museum at McLean, Ag Awareness day and Gray County Latch Key.

Donna Brauchi, county agent, announced SOS recipes for healthy life styles on at 6 p.m., June 9 and at noon on June 10. Reservations may be made by calling the SPS office.

Marilyn Butler, TEHA chairman held elections for a new chairman and vice chairman, as well as delegates to the state TEHA convention in Galveston in September. Elected were Betty Baxter, TEHA chairman, and Marilyn Butler, vice-chairman.

Delegates are Marie Donnell, and Helen Hogan with Gladys Green as alternate. The next council meeting will be at 1 p.m., August 24 at the Gray County Annex.

The Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild met May 28 at the M.K. Brown Room of the Chamber of Commerce Building. Plans for the remainder of the year were discussed, including new projects and ideas.

A video was shown on making quilted vests. The meeting was hosted by Jean McCarley and Billi Williams. The next meeting will be 6:00, June 25th, at Sirlin Stockade, 518 N. Hobart.

Newsmakers

Pampan Janet Abbe, a junior history major at West Texas State University received a division of education scholarship in the name of Dr. Paige Carruth. The scholarship covers the 1992-93 school year.

Named to the dean's list at West Texas State University for the spring semester were Pampan Krista L. Anderwald, Sandra K. Carr, Connie B. Chisum, Chris L. Ely, Sally A. Franks, Anthony B. Gilreath, Brenda L. Graham, Anita D. Grice, Jennie R. Haesle, Donna C. Hicks, Jennifer K. Honderich,

Carol C. Johnson, Starla S. Kinde, Robbie J. Morris, Janice E. Nash, Ronny S. Stokes and John T. Tuttle.

Named to the president's list for the spring semester were Lisa K. Kenner, Melanie D. Langford, Toni K. Reed and James S. Stevens.

From Skelly town were Michael D. Hudson and Richard Wells.

Chris Ely graduated from West Texas State University with summa cum laude honors during spring commencement exercises. Other

Pampa graduates include Lauri L. Anderwald, bachelor of science in biology; Marsha A. Coffee, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies; Nan A. Copeland, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies; Kelly Hickman, bachelor of science in kinesiology and geography; Gail L. Mertz, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies, magna cum laude; Dierk T. Milum, bachelor of general studies; Toni K. Reed, bachelor of science in mathematics, cum laude; and Brian H. Welborn, bachelor of science in kinesiology and history.

Fluoride, kids and cavities - keeping teeth healthy

By DR. BENARD DREYER
New York University School of Medicine

Although we know how to prevent tooth decay in the young, most children experience dental cavities, or caries, and some children even suffer extensive tooth problems.

By 17 years of age, only 16 percent of children are caries-free, and the average child has eight missing, decayed or filled tooth surfaces.

Fluoride has been the major factor in the improvement in children's dental health. Tooth decay is caused by bacteria, germs that live in plaque that coats the teeth. This bacteria, when given

carbohydrates such as sugars, form acids that break down the tooth enamel and create caries.

Fluorides work by making the enamel resistant to acid breakdown, by helping the enamel rebuild if it breaks down, and by interfering with the action of plaque bacteria. But to be most effective, fluorides need to be ingested and absorbed into the body, as well as applied directly to the teeth.

Community water fluoridation is the most effective and safe way for children to ingest the amount of fluoride they need to prevent cavities.

Water containing at least 0.7 parts per million of fluoride is considered "optimally" fluoridated. About 60 per-

cent of all Americans live in communities with optimally fluoridated water supplies, which doctors, dentists and scientists deem safe and cause no ill side effects.

For children who do not live in communities with optimally fluoridated water, parents should make sure they get fluoride supplements, the amount depending on age of the child and how much is contained in the water supply. Parents should consult with their physician or dentist on the dosage.

In addition, children who are breast-fed or drink only bottled water also may need to take a fluoride supplement, starting in the first six months of life.

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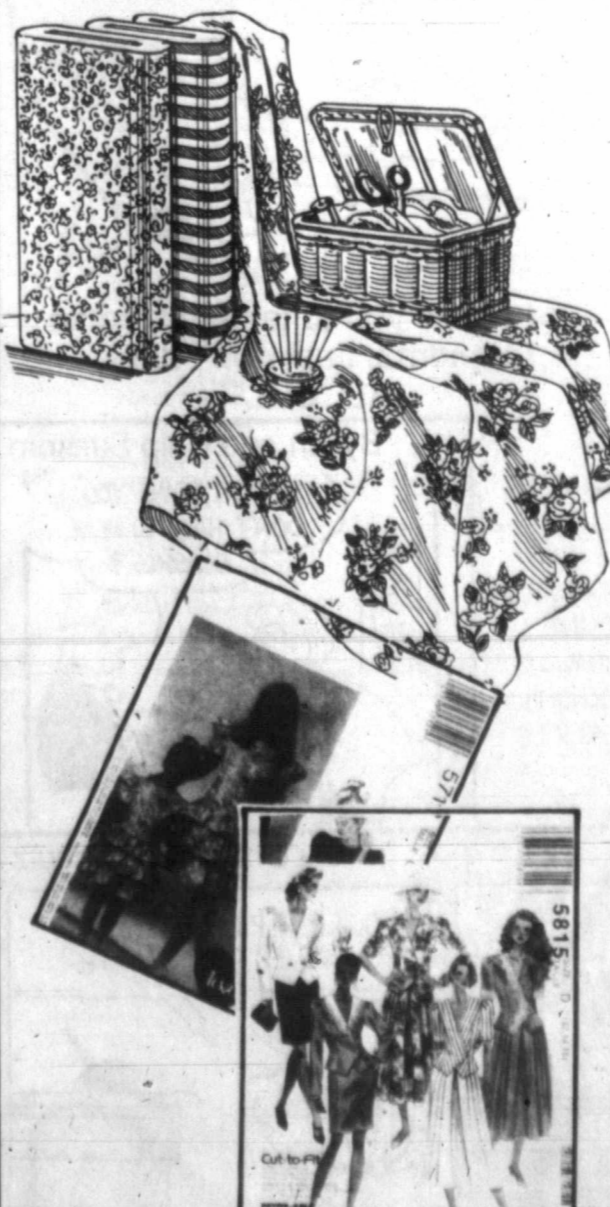
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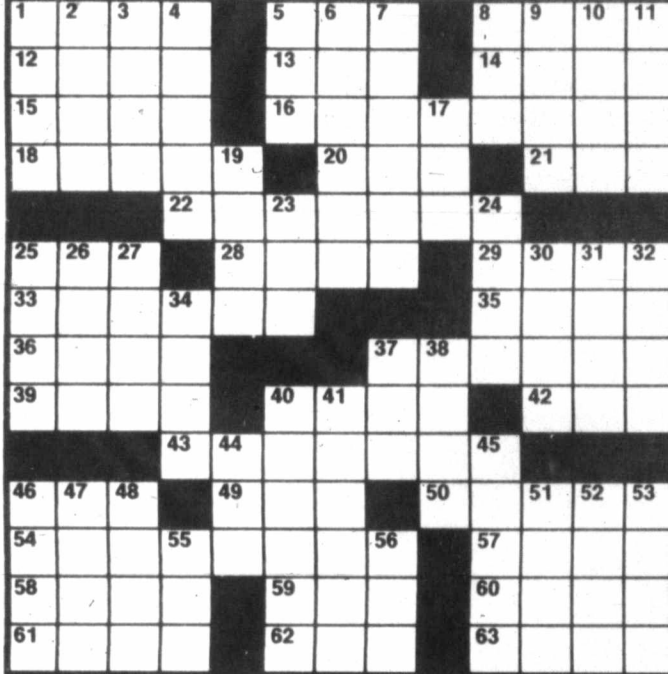
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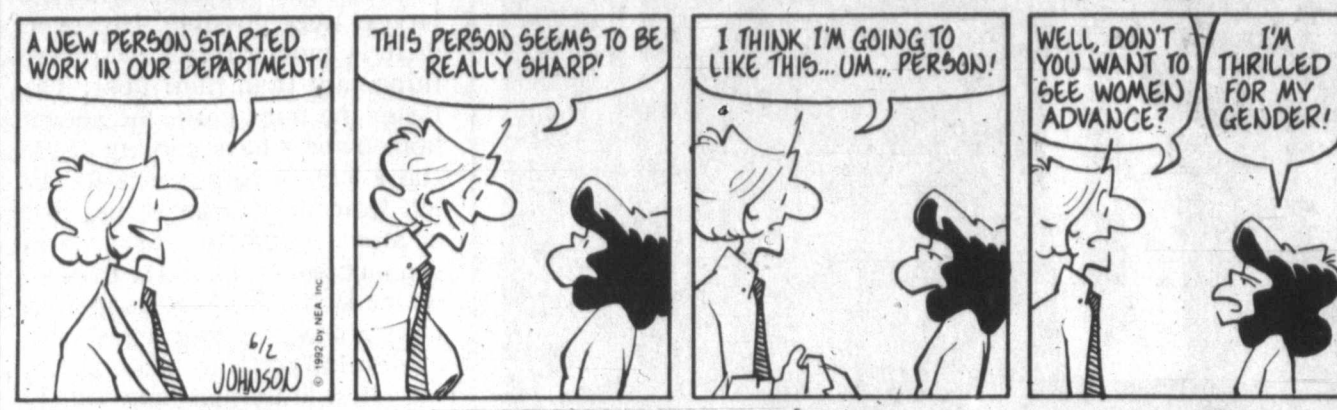
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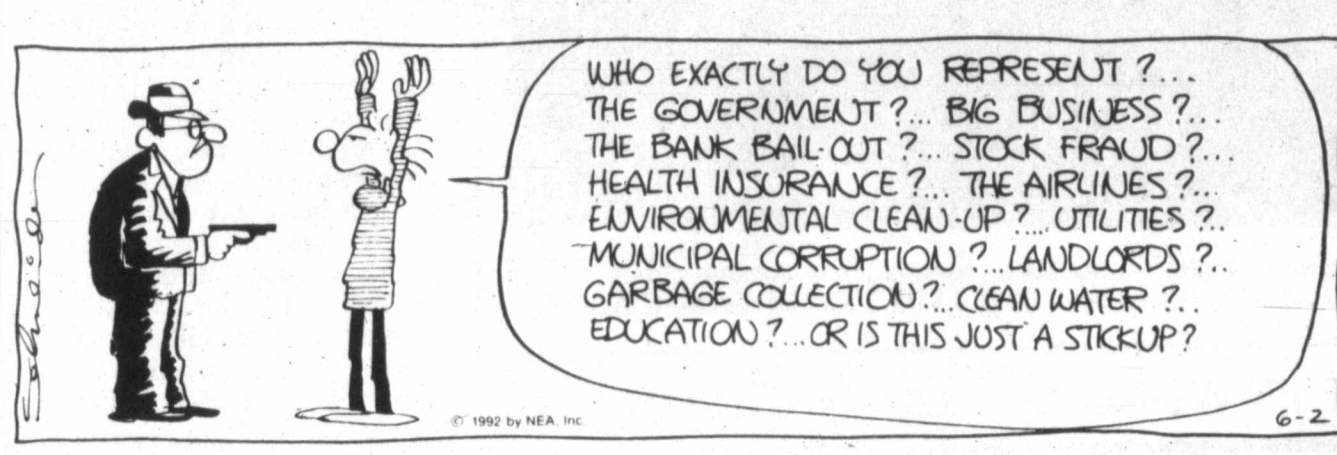
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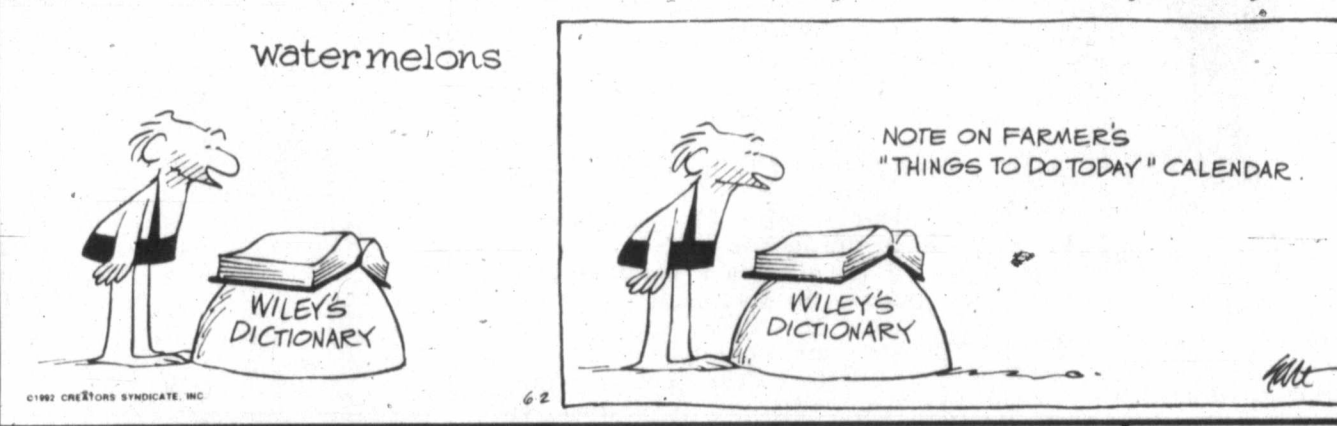
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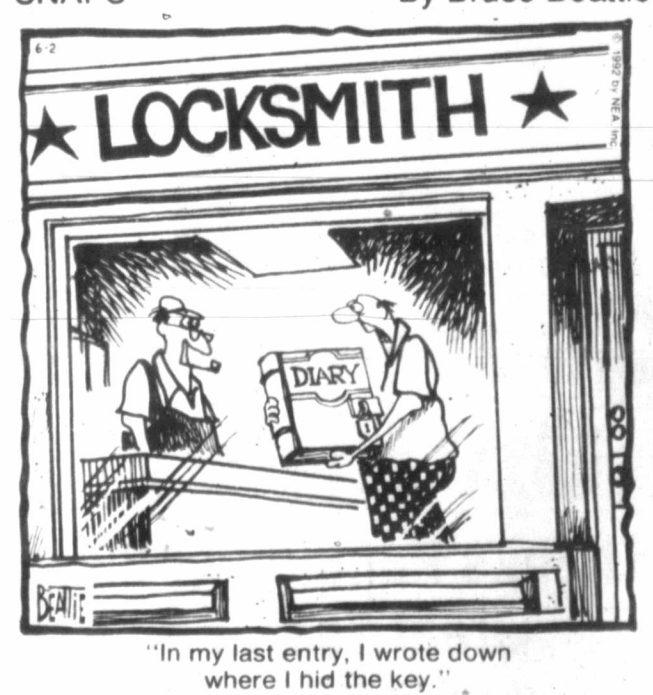
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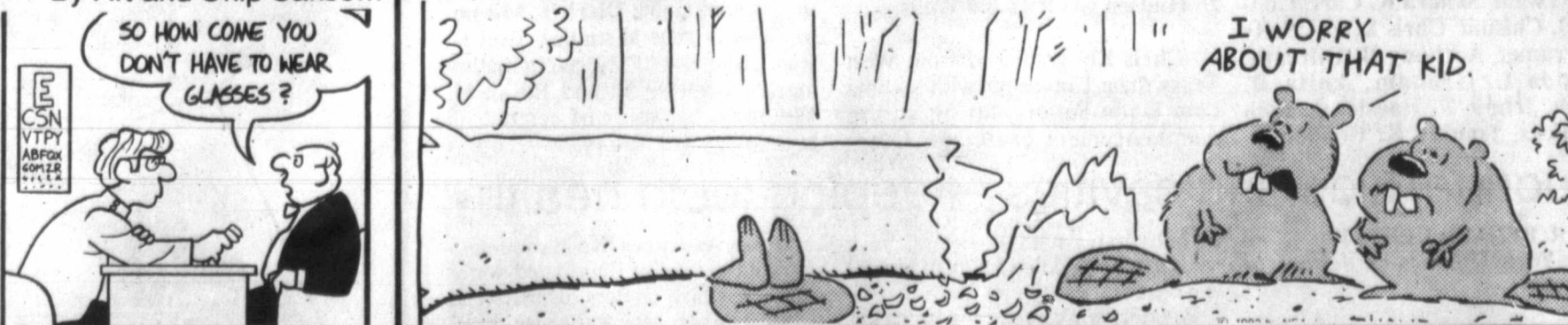
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Astro-Graph

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Someone who has not properly managed personal finances might try to advise you today as to how you should handle yours. This is advice you can do without. Gemini, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Gemini's Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead 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.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be extra mindful of your behavior in front of others today; if you make a bad impression, it may be very difficult to eradicate. **LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Instead of learning a lesson from a painful experience, there's a possibility you might make the same mistake again today. Be careful. **VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Try to avoid the company today of a friend who is famous for drastic mood swings. This individual could turn a pleasant day into a summer.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In order to be an achiever today, you must have a sense of purpose and be prepared to regroup and try again if you do not succeed initially. **SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** This is the time to disengage yourself from procedures that have, thus far, proven to be unworkable. Use your creative imagination to design something that will be productive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't be influenced today to follow the bad example of a free-spending companion. Foolish extravagance could cause you problems down the line. **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Be prepared to go at it on your own today, if necessary. People you're depending on might not be available when you need them the most. **AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Instead of applying your ingenuity to the tasks at hand today, you might use it to rationalize ways to shelve your responsibilities.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The odds might not be in your favor today where speculative risks are concerned, so move cautiously. What you consider a gamble could just be a giveaway. **ARIES (March 21-April 19)** If you become involved in an important endeavor today, make certain it gets off to a good start. A mismanaged beginning could be the precursor of a bad ending. **TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Before forwarding information to another today, make sure you have your facts straight. If you don't, something could get lost in the transmission.

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Sports

Pepperdine shuts out Texas

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) - Pepperdine is showing how it earned its No. 3 national ranking with a pair of shutouts in its first two College World Series games against two of the hottest teams in college baseball.

The Waves (46-11-1) shut out Texas 7-0 Monday night after shutting out the national scoring leader and No. 2-ranked Wichita State 6-0 Saturday night. Texas beat Oklahoma 15-3 Saturday night.

Pepperdine is the first team to throw consecutive shutouts in the CWS since Arizona State blanked Oklahoma 1-0, Southern Cal 3-0 and Temple 1-0 in 1972. It was the first time Texas had been shut out in 81 games, dating back to March 23, 1991.

"To have a team come in and pitch two straight shutouts against teams ranked like Wichita State and Texas were, second and third seeds, is quite remarkable," Texas coach Cliff Gustafson said.

Derek Wallace, a first-round draft pick Monday by the Chicago Cubs, combined with Wave relief ace Steve Montgomery to blank Texas. Montgomery added 1-2-3 scoreless innings to Patrick Ahearne's start in the Wichita State game.

Pepperdine pitchers haven't been scored on in 29 1-3 innings of post-season play. Hawaii was the last team to score on the Waves, in the regional semifinal.

Wallace said pushing the draft out of his mind for the Texas start wasn't that hard. And playing behind Wallace isn't, either, said Dan Melendez.

College World Series

"It's fun to play around a guy who throws that hard," said Melendez, whose two-run homer in the first provided all the runs Pepperdine needed Monday night. Melendez also hit a three-run shot against Wichita State.

"It's pretty obvious that Pepperdine outplayed us in all the important areas of the game," Gustafson said. "It's the first time we've been shut out all year long, so it's kind of a surprise. I don't think we were flat. It was a case of their pitching being effective against us."

Wichita State, the second seed, didn't recover from its loss to the Waves. The 56-11 Shockers couldn't take advantage of its opportunities and lost 8-4 in an

elimination game with Oklahoma earlier Monday. The Sooners (43-23) will battle Texas (47-16) in a West Division elimination game at 6:36 p.m. CDT tonight.

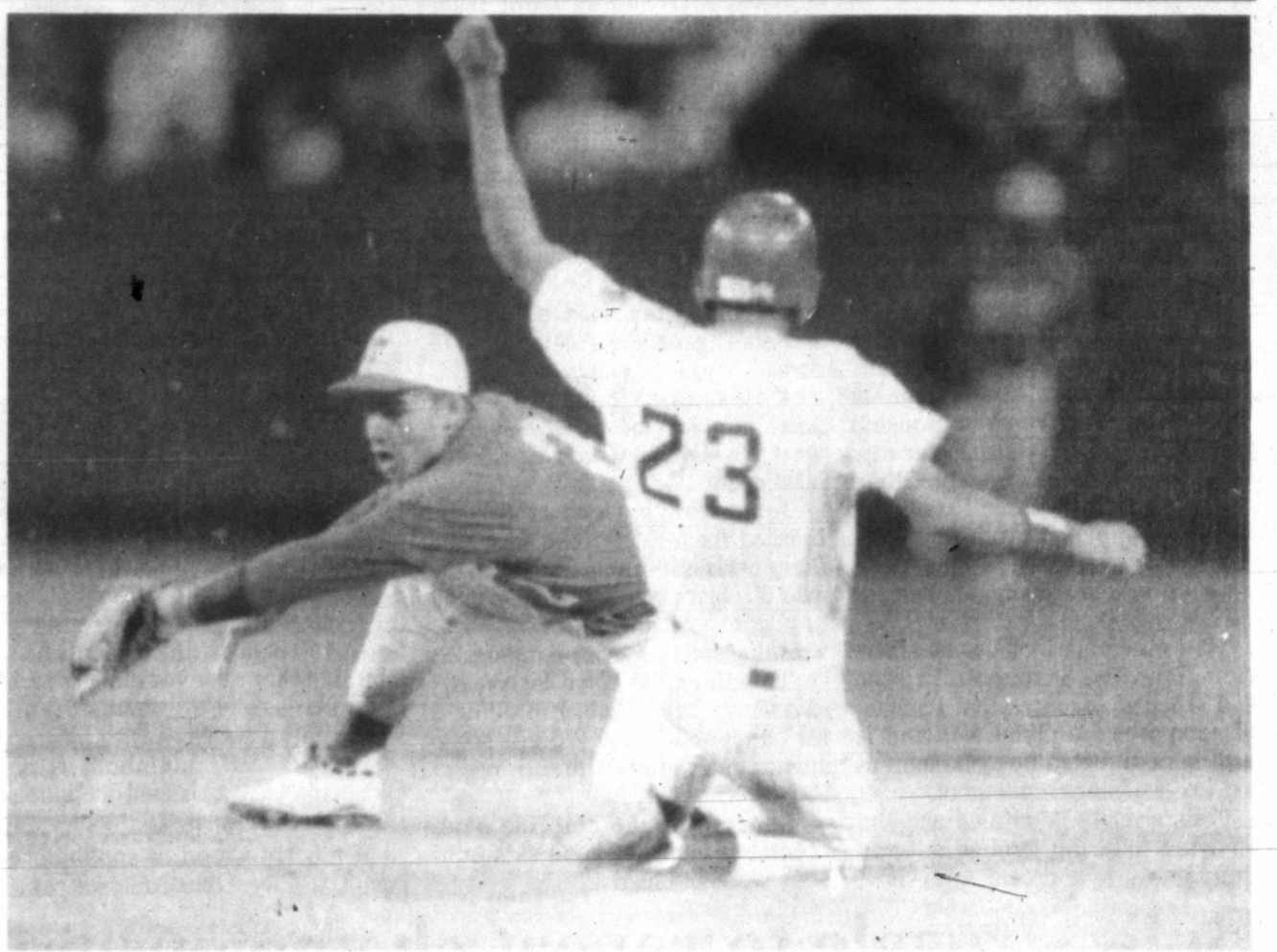
Oklahoma used a six-run sixth inning and homers by Rich Hills and Jason Evans to stop Wichita State. But coach Larry Cochell also lost All-American second baseman Brian Eldridge in a collision with Richie Taylor in the first inning.

Eldridge broke his leg when Taylor ran into him while the Sooner was charging a grounder.

"It's definitely going to hurt us," Cochell said. "You can't lose a guy who's been the glue of your defense and has 23 home runs and say it's not going to hurt you."

Wichita State, which won the CWS in 1989 and had never finished lower than third in four previous nationals, tied California for seventh place as the first two teams to go home with two losses.

In another elimination game tonight, Cal State Fullerton (43-16) will meet Florida State (49-20) in the East Division. The winner of that game meets top-ranked Miami (55-8) at 4:06 p.m. Wednesday.



Pepperdine's Dan Melendez (right) slides safely into second base before Texas' Robert DeLeon applies the tag. (AP Laserphoto)

Entries due for Pampa Tennis Open

The Pampa Tennis Open is scheduled Thursday through Sunday at the high school courts.

Junior division play begins at 8:30 a.m. Thursday and Friday. Adult division action is set to start at 8:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Entries are due Wednesday and interested persons can call Donna Turner at 665-7657 or Benny Horton at 669-9952 for information.

The tournament is sponsored by the Pampa Tennis Club and proceeds will go to the high school tennis program.

Golf clinic starts Monday

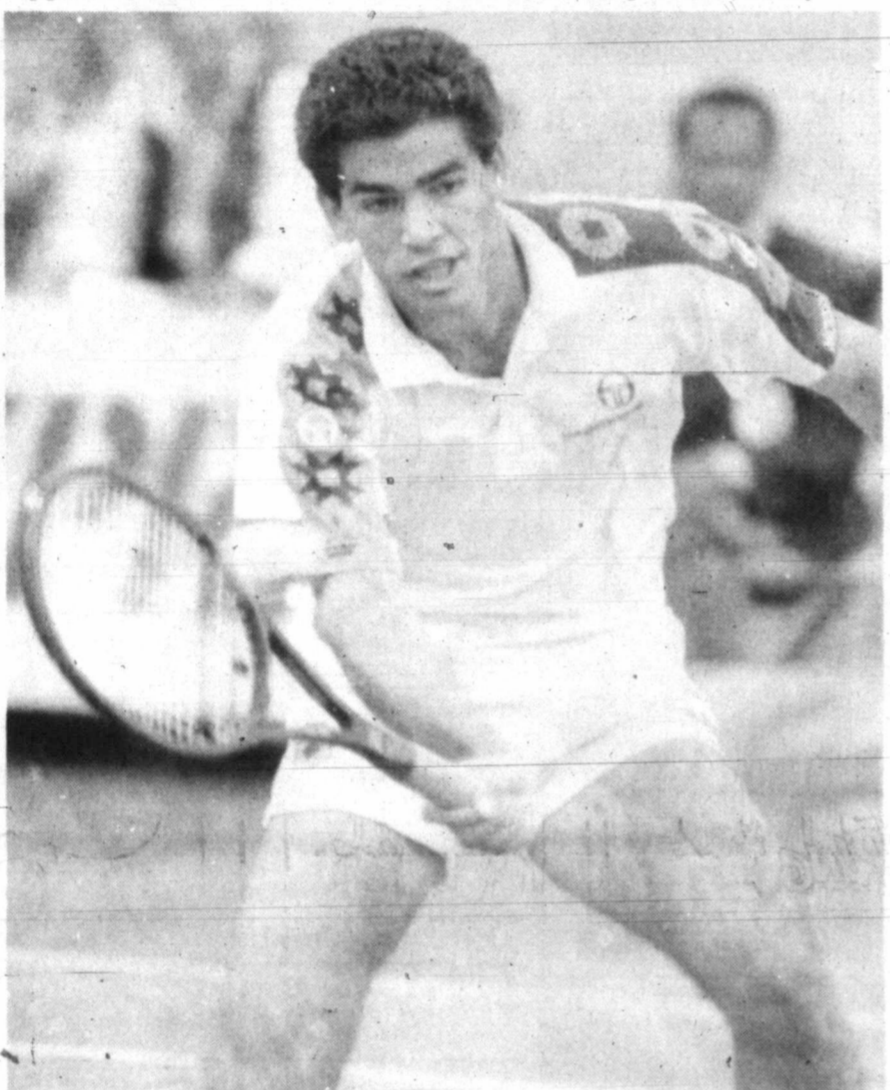
The ninth annual Clarendon College Golf Clinic will be held June 8-11 at the Clarendon College-Pampa Center.

Instructor will be PHS golf coach Frank McCullough.

Two sessions will be held, one in the morning from 8 to 10:30 and the other one in the evening from 6 to 8:30. There must be at least eight students signed up for each session.

Basics of the game will be taught and reviewed. Clubs will be furnished if necessary.

Interested persons can call 665-7367 for more information or to sign up. They can also call 665-8801 or stop by prior to the beginning of each session to sign up.



American Pete Sampras defeated Germany's Karl-Uwe Steeb Monday to reach the quarterfinals. (AP Laserphoto)

Bad luck continues for Rangers' Ryan

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON (AP) - A bad bullpen and now a bad hamstring have Nolan Ryan still in search of his first victory of the season.

It's June and Ryan is winless, the longest streak away from the "W" column at the start of a season in his 25-year major league career.

By this time last year, Ryan already had his career seventh no-hitter. He's still tied with Gaylord Perry at 314 career victories.

On a stormy Monday night with rain peppering the mound and making his footing uncertain, Ryan lasted only 10 pitches against the New York Yankees before complaining of a tight left hamstring.

Dr. John Conway said the tightness "is not serious" and the Rangers said Ryan should make his next scheduled start Saturday night.

Texas manager Bobby Valentine said "Nolan has had leg problems since he was 20 and I don't see that this is anything to worry about."

Valentine said Ryan "got a knot in his hamstring, but the trainer (Danny Wheat) worked it out. He's had it (the knot) the last four starts, but he usually gets it after the game. This one got in there early. After the game, he said he was feeling good."

Ryan went home immediately after being treated by Wheat.

Ryan walked Andy Stankiewicz on eight pitches then threw two balls to Don Mattingly before he decided he didn't want to push it. Jeff Robinson came on in relief and threw two balls to Mattingly. Ryan was credited with the walk.

Robinson then got out of the inning without the walks counting against Ryan with a doubleplay grounder and a strikeout.

It was only the second time in 775 major league games that Ryan had failed to retire a batter.

The other time was Sept. 28, 1971 when he was pitching for the New York Mets against St. Louis.

It was Ryan's eighth start of the season without a victory. He is 0-1 with a 4.67 earned run average.

In three of his starts, Ryan handed leads over to the Texas bullpen which couldn't produce.

Ryan hasn't won a game since last Sept. 25 in Seattle.

The longest winless streak of Ryan's career was in Houston from June 22-Aug. 14, 1985 in which he went 0-8 in 13 starts.

Ryan has had problems with his left leg this season. He was forced to leave in the fifth inning on opening night at Seattle after aggravating a strained left calf. He went on the disabled list after that game.

Max's notch two girls' softball victories

Max's swept two games from Bell Ranch and Mr. Gatti's in girls' 9-12 softball action last week at Optimist Park.

Max's defeated Bell's, 19-17.

Lori Lindsey and Lisa Kirkpatrick did the pitching for Max's. Lindsey gave up 12 runs while striking out four, walking 12 and allowing 10 hits. Kirkpatrick gave up five runs on eight hits while striking out two and walking five.

Top hitters for Max's were Rebecca McConnell, two singles; Tera Dougherty, two singles and a home run; Michelle Doucette, two singles; Kendra Rozer, Kristen Stevens and Lisa Kirkpatrick had one single each.

Top hitters for Bell were Jessica Ma, three singles; Maurie Bell, four singles and Rebecca Gaddis, three singles.

Max's defeated Mr. Gatti's, 17-8.

Lori Lindsey and Lisa Kirkpatrick pitched for Max's. Lindsey gave up five hits while striking out seven and walking three while Kirkpatrick gave up four hits while striking out two and walking seven.

Top hitters for Max's were Lisa Kirkpatrick, a triple; Tera Hembree, Amanda Wiseman and Michelle Doucette, a double each; Kendra Dozier, triple, two singles and a double; Rebecca McConnell, three singles; Stacie Stevens, Candace Cathey, Tera Dougherty and Lori Lindsey had one single each.

Top hitters for Bell were Amanda Sampson, triple and single; Kimberly Clark, double and single and Amanda White, two singles.

Winning pitcher was Kristi Henshaw, who gave up six hits while striking out six and walking 11.

Top hitters for Culligan were Erin Cobb, home run and four RBI; Kristi Henshaw, two singles, double and two RBI; Kristen Albus, two singles and two RBI; Vera King, single and two RBI; Shawna Snapp, two RBI on a sacrifice; Allison Brantley, single and double; Amanda Graves, a single.

Top hitters for Citizens were Lacy McGuire, single and two RBI; Becky Richmond, double and one RBI; Andrea Clark, Haley Rex, Shannon Sparks and Destiny Engle, one single apiece.

Losing pitcher was Andrea Clark, who gave up 12 hits while striking out five and walking 15.

Culligan has a 6-2 record and plays Bell Ranch June 9 with the game starting at 8 p.m.

French Open features top matchups

By STEPHEN WILSON
AP Sports Writer

PARIS (AP) - At last, it's time for the marquee matchups at the French Open.

Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi won in straight sets Monday to set up an all-American quarterfinal, while Jennifer Capriati advanced to a women's quarterfinal against Monica Seles.

The three matches headline the center court lineup Tuesday at Roland Garros.

Playing what he said was the best clay-court match of his career, Sampras beat Germany's Carl Uwe Steeb 6-4, 6-3, 6-2.

Agassi, displaying a new-found confidence that he described as arrogance, defeated Emilio Sanchez of Spain 6-1, 6-3, 7-5 in the completion of a rain-interrupted match.

Capriati, the last American in the women's field, outplayed fellow teen-ager Mary Pierce 6-4, 6-3 in the first match of what could develop into a long rivalry. Then she turned her attention to Seles, the top seed and two-time defending champion.

"Right now my motivation is very high and I'm very eager to play the next match," said the 16-year-old Capriati. "Yeah, I am real-

ly excited to play."

So are Sampras and Agassi, who have each lost only one set so far and seem to get stronger with each round.

Agassi, who has reached the finals here the past two years, was expected to get this far. But Sampras, who beat Agassi in the final of the 1990 U.S. Open, has never been considered a major threat on clay — until now.

"I don't think too many people expected me to be here," he said. "Whatever I do here is more or less a bonus."

Only six weeks ago, Sampras lost 6-3, 6-3 to Steeb on clay in Monte Carlo. "This time I played great tennis," he said. "It really can't come at a better time."

Sampras, who is seeded No. 3, said he believes he can win the tournament because the balls are light and the clay courts are faster than normal.

"It's a surface you can definitely serve and volley on and be aggressive," he said. "I am pretty fond of the clay right now."

Sampras said his serve remains his biggest weapon. Against Steeb, he served 16 aces, put in 65 percent of his first serves and was never broken.

"My serve is really going to have

to come through against Andre," he said. "He has one of the best returns in the game. He really steps in and can really crack some serves."

Agassi did just that Monday against Sanchez, a player who "gave me an ass-kicking" at Indian Wells, Calif., in March, winning 6-3, 6-1.

This time, Agassi dominated Sanchez from beginning to end.

"This really illustrates how far my game has come, physically and mentally," said Agassi, the 11th seed. "The fact that I won as comfortably as I did really gives me a lot of confidence going into the rest of the week."

Agassi, who has often lacked confidence and motivation in regular tournaments, said everything changes when he plays in a Grand Slam event.

"It taps a part of me that I don't see as much as I would really like to," he said. "When I play a Grand Slam I am very arrogant the way I feel out there. I feel like I am unbeatable at times."

Agassi said he was surprised that Sampras had gone this far and questioned whether he could continue his run all the way to the final.

"To play clay for two weeks consistently, I am not sure he is up to that," he said.

Baseball					Baseball				
Major League Standings					Baseball				
By The Associated Press					By The Associated Press				
AMERICAN LEAGUE					WEST DIVISION				
East Division					W L Pct. GB				
Toronto	32	19	62.7	—	Cincinnati	26	21	55.3	—
Baltimore	29	19	60.4	1 1/2	San Francisco	27	22	55.1	—
New York	26	22	54.2	4 1/2	San Diego	28	23	54.9	—
Boston	24	21	53.5	5	Los Angeles	23	23	50.0	2 1/2
Milwaukee	24	24	50.0	8 1/2	Atlanta	24	27	47.1	4
Detroit	21	29	42.0	10 1/2	Houston	21	28	42.9	6
Cleveland	19	31	38.0	12 1/2	Saturday's Games				
West Division					Atlanta 6, New York 1				
Minnesota	27	21	56.3	—	Los Angeles 3, Chicago 2				
Texas	29	23	55.8	—	Cincinnati 9, Montreal 4				
Oakland	24	22	52.1	1/2	St. Louis 5, San Diego 1				
Chicago	24	23	51.1	2 1/2	Houston 5, Philadelphia 4				
California	21	27	43.8	6	Pittsburgh 3, San Francisco 2, 10 innings				
Seattle	21	28	42.9	6 1/2	San Francisco 5, Pittsburgh 3				
Kansas City	17	32	34.7	10 1/2	San Francisco 5, Pittsburgh 3				
Saturday's Games					Montreal 6, Cincinnati 2				
Toronto 2, Chicago 1, 11 innings					San Diego 10, St. Louis 0				
Baltimore 7, Oakland 6					Los Angeles 6, Houston 3, 11 innings				
Kansas City 8, Texas 2					Philadelphia 6, Houston 3, 11 innings				
New York 8, Milwaukee 1					Monday's Games				
Minnesota 7, Detroit 5					Late Game Not Included				
Seattle 3, Boston 0					Los Angeles 8, Pittsburgh 6				
California 3, Cleveland 1					Atlanta 7, Philadelphia 6				
Sunday's Games					New York 16, San Francisco 1				
Toronto 3, Chicago 2					Chicago 6, San Diego 1				
California 4, Cleveland 1					Montreal at Houston, (6)				
Milwaukee 2, New York 1					Only games scheduled				
Kansas City 7, Texas 6					Tuesday's Games				
Cleveland 4, California 3					San Diego (Seminar 0-0) at Chicago (Morgan 5-2), 2:20 p.m.				
Boston 7, Seattle 1					St. Louis (Del. 2-4) at Cincinnati (Belcher 4-3), 7:35 p.m.				
Monday's Games					Los Angeles (Candotti 5-3) at Pittsburgh (Tomlin 5-3), 7:35 p.m.				
Late Game Not Included					Philadelphia (Brink 0-1) at Atlanta (Leibrandt 4-2), 7:40 p.m.				
Milwaukee 6, Detroit 2					San Francisco (Wilson 4-4) at New York (Young 2-3), 7:40 p.m.				
Chicago 5, Kansas City 3					Montreal (Sampson 0-2) at Houston (Portugal 4-2), 8:35 p.m. Wednesday's Games				
Toronto 5, Minnesota 3, 10 innings					St. Louis at Cincinnati, 12:35 p.m.				
New York at Texas, (n)					Philadelphia at Atlanta, 12:40 p.m.				
Boston at Oakland, (n)					San Diego at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.				
Baltimore at California, (n)					Los Angeles at Pittsburgh, 3:05 p.m.				
Only games scheduled					Montreal at Houston, 8:35 p.m.				
Tuesday's Games					Only games scheduled				
Seattle (Hanson 2-7) at Cleveland (Otto 3-3), 7:35 p.m.					TODAY'S MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS				
Detroit (Leiter 3-2) at Milwaukee (Robinson 0-1), 8:05 p.m.					By The Associated Press				
Toronto (Stothemeyer 4-4) at Minnesota (Mahomes 3-2), 8:05 p.m.					AMERICAN LEAGUE				
Chicago (McDowell 7-3) at Kansas City (Gulczik 5-3), 8:35 p.m.					BATTING—Bordick, Oakland, .352; Ralomar, Toronto, .347; RKelly, New York, .335; Puckett, Minnesota, .335; Knoblauch, Minnesota, .332; Joyner, Kansas City, .322; Molitor, Milwaukee, .320.				
New York (Leary 4-3) at Texas (Witt 5-4), 8:35 p.m.					RUNS—Mack, Minnesota, 36; Puckett, Minnesota, 36; Ralomar, Toronto, 35; McGwire, Oakland, 34; Mattingly, New York, 34; RKelly, New York, 33; Whiten, Cleveland, 31; Sierra, Texas, 31; Carter, Toronto, 31.				
Boston (Hesketh 1-2) at Oakland (Moore 6-3), 10:05 p.m.					RBI—McGwire, Oakland, 40; Anderson, Baltimore, 37; Puckett, Minnesota, 37; Sierra, Texas, 35; Belle, Cleveland, 34; Fielder, Detroit, 33; Carter, Toronto, 32; Hall, New York, 32.				
Baltimore (Mossus 5-1) at California (Langston 5-2), 10:35 p.m.					HITS—Ralomar, Toronto, 67; Puckett, Minnesota, 67; RKelly, New York, 64; Beerra, Cleveland, 62; Knoblauch, Minnesota, 61; Mack, Minnesota, 60; Sierra, Texas, 60.				
Wednesday's Games					DOUBLES—Reimer, Texas, 16; Jefferies, Kansas City, 16; Hall, New York, 16; Reed, Boston, 15; Seitzer, Milwaukee, 15; Mattingly, New York, 15; Anderson, Baltimore, 14; EMartinez, Seattle, 14; Joyner, Kansas City, 14.				
Detroit at Milwaukee, 2:35 p.m.					TRIPLES—Onders, Atlanta, 9; Alico, St. Louis, 8; Finley, Houston, 5; Grace, Chicago, 4; Butler, Los Angeles, 4; 6 are tied with 2.				
Boston at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.					HOME RUNS—McGwire, Pittsburgh, 13; McGriff, San Diego, 12; MaWilliams, San Francisco, 11; Sheffield, San Diego, 10; LWalker, Montreal, 9; Pendleton, Atlanta, 9; Gant, Atlanta, 7; DrJackson, San Diego, 7; Sandberg, Chicago, 7; Dawson, Chicago, 7.				
Baltimore at California, 4:05 p.m.					STOLEN BASES—Grissom, Montreal, 24; Lankford, St. Louis, 19; Lewis, San Francisco, 17; D Sanders, Atlanta, 16; Roberts, Cincinnati, 16; Bonds, Pittsburgh, 15; OSmith, St. Louis, 14.				
Seattle at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.					PITCHING (7 Decisions)—Towhatsky, St. Louis, 6-1, 857, 1.78; Glavin, Atlanta, 6-3, 727, 2.94; Osborne, St. Louis, 5-2, 714, 2.48; Burkett, San Francisco, 5-2, 714, 4.68; Morgan, Chicago, 5-2, 714, 3.51; Leferts, San Diego, 6-3, 667, 4.02; Tomlin, Pittsburgh, 5-3, 625, 4.29; Cone, New York, 5-3, 625, 2.40; Candotti, Los Angeles, 5-3, 625, 3.61.				
Toronto at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.					STRIKEOUTS—Cone, New York, 88; SFernandez, New York, 78; Smoltz, Atlanta, 77; Benes, San Diego, 60; GMaddux, Chicago, 60; KeGross, Los Angeles, 59; Belcher, Cincinnati, 58.				
Chicago at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.									
New York at Texas, 8:35 p.m.									
NATIONAL LEAGUE									
East Division									
St. Louis	27	22	55.1	—					
Pittsburgh	26	23	53.1	1					

Wheeler Rodeo Club turns out winners

By J. ALAN BRZYNS
Managing Editor

WHEELER - Year after year, Wheeler High School Rodeo Club members turn in championship-caliber performances in Tri-State High School Rodeo Association (TSHSRA) competition.

The 1991-92 season is no exception as a large number of Wheeler club members advance to TSHSRA finals scheduled Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings at the Will Rogers Range Riders Arena in Amarillo.

Senior Randy McEntire guns for a third consecutive championship title in calf roping and ribbon roping, sophomore Kimberly Cloud looks to capturing her first event championship, and promising newcomers Sonya Coy, Jessica Dean and Joshua Purcell make a run for titles.

The elite club includes members from Wheeler, Shamrock, Briscoe and other towns in eastern Panhandle and western Oklahoma and is held in high regard by teammates as well as opposing competitors.

"It's a really good club and I'm enjoying rodeoing through it," said Sonya Coy in a recent interview.

"There are a lot of nice people that run it. They do a good job."

Coy, a freshman from Hammon, Okla., holds a commanding lead in the race for rookie girl honors and sets second in the goat tying event.

Jessica Dean, also a freshman from Hammon and Coy's sister, added, "They (club sponsors) are really good about helping us when we need help."

Dean, who ranks second in rookie girl competition, said the Wheeler sponsors "get done what needs to be done."

Coy said, "We ride the same horse in goats and breakaway, then we have different horses for the other events."

Junior Travis Goad of Briscoe finished the 1990-91 season with a flurry and sets third this season in the race for first place in the all-around boy competition, third in steer wrestling and fifth in team roping.

"I bulldogged some last year," said Goad, "but, yeah, I'm doing a lot better this year. We got some steers and I started practicing at home."

Concerning the club, he said, "There's a bunch of good kids in it. They work real hard."



Kimberly Cloud

At 150 pounds, Goad admits he's a bit small for steer wrestling, which is known as the big man's event. But he guts it out anyway.

Goad admits members from Oklahoma have bolstered the club's strength.

Kimberly Cloud, a sophomore from Elk City, Okla., holds a com-



Jessica Dean

fortable lead in pole bending and is third in the race for all-around girl honors.

Cloud spends a lot of time on the road hauling four horses for four different events, but enjoys Tri-State Rodeo and the Wheeler Club.

"It's a lot of fun ... and you meet



Sonya Coy

a lot of different people. It gets you out in front of a lot of people and gives you confidence."

Regarding the success of the Wheeler Club, Cloud said, "I think it's because we have a lot of girls and guys who have a lot of good potential."

She added they are "very athletic."



Travis Goad

McEntire, from Sweetwater, Okla., enters the finals with a slim lead in calf roping and is two points behind first place in ribbon roping.

Purcell of Wheeler sets second in the rookie boy competition and Charlie Russell of Shamrock is ranked fourth in calf roping.

Bulls struggle to repeat championship

CHICAGO (AP) - Fatigue. Injuries. Lack of hunger for a championship.

Those are the reasons brought forward as to why the defending champion Chicago Bulls have looked so sluggish at times during the NBA playoffs.

Assistant coach John Bach has another theory why the Bulls have struggled to an 11-5 record en route to the Finals after breezing a 15-2 mark while winning the title a year ago.

"We've been under the scrutiny of the best coaches in basketball for two years, so they have a high degree of knowledge of what we're doing," Bach said. "They know our spacing better, they're putting people in positions where they know we put on the pressure. Even if we disguise some of our defenses, which we do, they're starting to identify them."

Starting in Game 1 Wednesday night at Chicago Stadium, the Bulls have to defend against the high-powered Portland Trail Blazers.

"They believe in themselves and

they've fashioned a record that proved they were the best in the West," Bach said. "They have a yearning that we had last year. They're searching for the same holy grail. That brings more passion and more fire to your game."

Bulls coach Phil Jackson said the team's pressure defense, a staple of its run to the championship last season, hasn't been effective in the playoffs this year. And the Trail Blazers are more potent offensively than New York and Cleveland.

"I don't know exactly how we're going to be able to counteract this team," Jackson said. "They're a team of great power and momentum and we're going to have to keep them off their toes and ourselves off our heels."

Jackson said the playoffs, which started with the Bulls dreaming of a postseason sweep, have been a humbling experience.

"This is going to be a struggle," Jackson said. "We're going to have to go out and play better than we played the three previous play-

The Trail Blazers made the NBA Finals in 1990 and were expected to return last year before losing to the Los Angeles Lakers in the Western Conference finals. That experience also taught them something about humility.

"This team has fought through a lot of hard things and hung together," Blazers coach Rick Adelman said. "This team realizes how special it is to get here, how hard you have to work and how much resilience you have to have. And we believe we can win."

"No question, Portland is hungry and they're playing well," Bulls guard John Paxson said. "But we have to worry about ourselves. We have to be concerned with ourselves. Winning the first championship was great, and knowing that is reason enough to come out and try to win another."

Chicago reserve Scott Williams, whose playing time increased as the playoffs continued, said the Bulls will become more motivated now that they are closer to another championship ring.



The Pittsburgh Penguins' Ulf Samuelsson (5) and goalie Tom Barrasso (35) clear the Chicago Blackhawks' Brian Noonan (10) out of the way Monday.

Penguins ice Stanley Cup title

By KEN RAPPOPORT
AP Hockey Writer

CHICAGO (AP) - The Chicago Blackhawks tried to do their best imitation of the Pittsburgh Penguins.

It turned out to be a poor second. "If they want to play us like that, we're going to score more goals than them running and gunning any night of the week," said Pittsburgh goaltender Tom Barrasso after a thrill-a-minute 6-5 victory Monday night that clinched the second straight Stanley Cup for the Penguins.

"They played a little more desperately, but we felt confident." The Blackhawks had had little success with the Penguins in tight-checking games earlier in the series - losing 3-1 in Game 2 and 1-0 in Game 3.

Monday night, they decided to open up their offense and go for broke. It worked to a certain extent against the Penguins, who led the NHL in goals during the regular season and the playoffs.

The Blackhawks, who had come into the finals with the best defensive record in the playoffs, matched the Penguins goal for goal - until the final period when Larry Murphy and Ron Francis put Pittsburgh ahead for good.

"They went to the well and gave it everything they had," Chicago coach Mike Keenan said of his team. "We just have to be respectful of the ability of the Penguins."

"They have great players and they played extremely well as a team."

The Blackhawks' different style was a bit of a surprise to Penguin coach Scotty Bowman.

"There were so many good chances (in the first period) and the goalies couldn't do much," he said. "They were going to the net. Chicago made a lot of good adjustments in this game."

"They changed some of their lines, they changed their game plan completely and we had to get onto it."

But "firewagon" hockey is clearly in Pittsburgh's favor with some of the best offensive players in the NHL. Mario Lemieux was the leading scorer and Kevin Stevens No. 2 during the regular season.

Each had a goal Monday night as

the Penguins spread their offense around by getting six goals from six different players.

"A couple of goals early seemed to open everything up and it ended up a 6-5 game," said Francis, whose goal turned out to be the game-winner. "It could have easily ended up 11-10 the way the offense was going on both sides."

"There was a lot of end-to-end action."

It was not the Penguins' best defensive effort of the playoffs - far from it. But their so-called "no-name" defense was there when it counted at the end.

Few teams in hockey hold on to one-goal leads as well as the Penguins. They proved it especially with Saturday's 1-0 victory when they scored on Stevens' goal with 4:34 left in the first period.

"You have to give the Pittsburgh Penguins credit. They were the better team," said Chicago's Dirk Graham, who scored three goals Monday night.

"They played some great hockey. We tried to play defense against them, but nothing we did had any effect on them."

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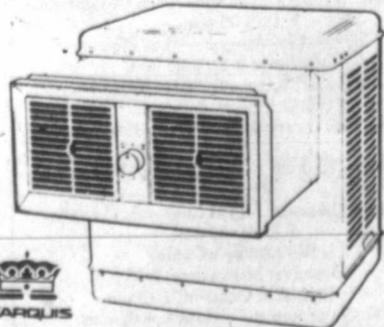
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Large percentage of looting cases are being dismissed in LA courts

By LINDA DEUTSCH
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Nearly a third of the riot-related looting cases to come up for preliminary hearings have been dismissed because officers who made multiple arrests are having trouble identifying suspects.

"The main problem seems to be identifying the body in the courtroom as the person who was arrested during the riots," John Lynch, head of the district attorney's Central Trial Division, said Monday.

Of 820 cases that had completed preliminary hearings by Friday, 227 were dismissed, 547 defendants were held for trial and 46 changed their pleas to guilty, Lynch said.

Lynch said he had expected more dismissals and was surprised by how well officers had done in identifying suspects arrested in the chaos. In some cases, 30 or 40 people were arrested together, he said.

Some officers tagged their sus-

pects with wristbands that matched the numbers on their arrest reports, he said. Others took Polaroids of suspects and attached them to arrest reports.

Lynch said the normal rate of dismissals in non-riot cases is 10 percent to 11 percent.

About 4,000 defendants were arraigned on riot-related charges. In addition, the city attorney has been processing some 2,000 curfew violators and about 1,000 other misdemeanor cases.

Also Monday, more than a dozen church leaders urged blacks to keep money in their community and promised to invest more than \$6 million a week in parish funds in three black-owned banks.

Fifteen churches plan to set up tables Sunday for opening new bank accounts. The changes are intended to spur economic revival in neighborhoods devastated by rioting.

"We're not trying to cripple anybody. We're trying to empower our-

own banks," said the Rev. Edgar Boyd, whose Bethel AME Church had banked at Bank of America.

Less than 4 percent of urban blacks bank at the three Los Angeles-area minority-owned financial institutions, according to church and banking leaders.

"It seemed that most black folk have been for so long duped to understand that the white man's ice was colder," Boyd said.

Separately, U.S. Energy Secretary James Watkins announced his department is accelerating expansion of a program that deposits in minority-owned banks penalties paid by oil companies for violating price controls in the 1970s.

Previously, \$22 million was to be released nationally. Watkins said \$250 million will now be made available this year, including \$22 million extra for minority-owned Los Angeles banks and \$15 million more for other minority-owned banks in California.

Arafat convalescing well, says doctor

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — PLO chairman Yasser Arafat was recovering well today after brain surgery to remove blood clots caused by bruises he suffered in an April plane crash, one of his physicians said.

Dr. Yousef Ksous, director of medical services at the King Hussein Medical Center, told The Associated Press that Arafat, 62, was moved out of the intensive care unit Monday night, following a noon operation.

"He is awake, and recovering well," Ksous said, but visitors are restricted to a number of very close aides.

Ksous said Arafat was offered a "light breakfast — tea, butter and jam." Asked if Arafat's young bride, 28-year-old Suha Tawil, was with him, Ksous said he had not seen her in the hospital and didn't know if she had arrived in from Tunis. The two were married in November.

But he said the two spoke by telephone Monday night.

Yasser Abed-Rabbo, a member of the PLO's ruling executive commit-

tee, said he found Arafat today "in a very good shape, indeed."

The clots were detected during medical examinations Arafat underwent over the weekend following recurrent headaches. He was told he needed surgery, but decided to postpone until after a trip to Iraq.

On his way to the Iraqi border on Monday, Arafat felt severe head pain and asked the driver to return to Amman. He was rushed to hospital and the surgery was performed by the medical center's chief neurologist Dr. Adel Shreydeh, aided by another prominent neurologist, Dr. Ashraf Kurdi and Ksous.

Arafat has no history of any major diseases, but has had numerous scrapes with death.

In October 1985, he narrowly escaped when Israeli warplanes demolished PLO headquarters in an air raid on Tunis.

When Arafat was missing for 15 hours in the Libyan desert after his Soviet-built Antonov plane went down in April, Palestinians were stunned when it looked like he had finally run out of luck.

Three crew members were killed

in the crash. Arafat suffered only bruises.

His survival gave his popularity a big boost at a time when he was being bitterly criticized for what many saw as the greatest blunder of his life — supporting Saddam Hussein's 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

Rio prepares for Earth Summit

By KEN SILVERSTEIN
Associated Press Writer

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — The atmosphere is festive in Rio on the eve of a world summit devoted to the planet's well-being.

Thousands of diplomats, ecologists and native leaders have packed the city's bars, restaurants and taxis, easing the pain of a protracted recession. Residents are reveling in the world's attention and dozens of special events and concerts are planned.

But beneath the bustle, many activists fear little progress will be made in addressing serious environmental issues. And some Brazilians say the same delegates trying to protect trees and animals have shown little interest in human beings — especially Brazil's poor.

The Earth Summit, formally known as the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, opens Wednesday at the Riocentro convention center, 25 miles west of downtown Rio.

Related events were scheduled for today.

Twelve-thousand environmentalists from 164 countries were to open The Global Forum, a parallel, non-governmental conference. Groups ranging from an Esperan-

to Association to Friends of the Earth were to meet in 36 green-and-white striped tents at Flamengo Park.

At the Earth Summit, delegates from 185 countries will debate and negotiate until June 11. An estimated 100 presidents, premiers and kings will meet for the final days.

Not all delegates have titles. Former soccer great Pele, named special Earth Summit ambassador, is bringing 17 Kenyan street kids to the conference.

In deference to his soccer-loving citizens, President Fernando Collor de Mello has called the summit the "World Cup of Ecology." Others disagree.

"The conference is just a circle of leaders looking for electoral re-treading," said Alfredo Sirkis, president of Brazil's Green Party.

Much of the criticism has been directed at President Bush. Bush pressured European leaders to remove goals and timetables from an agreement to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. The United States produces about one-fourth of the world's carbon dioxide, which scientists believe contributes to global warming.

Last week, Bush also said he would not sign a "biodiversity" agreement to protect the world's

plants, animals and resources. Officials have since hinted that he may change his mind.

"The Bush administration has recklessly undermined the Earth Summit," Josh Karliner, Greenpeace's summit coordinator, said Monday. "The summit would be better off if he didn't come."

Officials admit that little real progress may be made.

"The conference is not a finish line or a definitive ecological pact," said Paulo Nogueira Neto, advisor to U.N. summit coordinator Maurice Strong. "It is, above all, a second step that will make possible new and bigger steps."

Brazilian criticism of the conference has taken a different tack.

Some critics say it is a plot to strip the country's control of the Amazon region. The Workers Central Union, Brazil's largest labor federation, has unveiled billboards urging visitors not to ignore the country's poverty while attempting to protect its forests.

On Monday, dozens of pensioners marched near Flamengo Park, urging the same compassion for humans as the delegates have for nature.

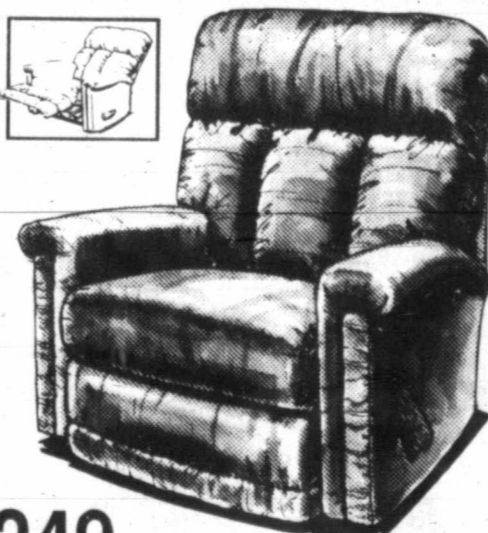
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