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City names Flemings new police chief

By ANGELA LEGGETT
Staff Writer

The appointment of Charles W. Flemings as the city's new chief of police was announced Tuesday night at the Pampa City Commission meeting.

Flemings, 51, who currently is Panhandle's police chief, was hired on the recommendation of City Manager Glen Hackler. The appointment is effective July 30 and Flemings will receive an annual salary of \$35,000.

"My primary object is to get out and meet the people," Flemings said after he was officially accepted as police chief. "I plan to talk to the people of the community and say, 'What do you need?'"

His qualifications include nine years as a detective sergeant with the Amarillo Police Department, three years as chief of detectives with the Borger Police Department and eight years as chief of police at the Panhandle Police Department. Other qualifications include serving as an instructor at the Panhandle Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy and four years in the U.S. Navy with honorable discharge.

"I plan to pull my coat off and get out in the community," he said. "(I'll) have coffee at the coffee shop, even stop on Sunday if I drive by and see someone mowing their lawn and visit."

Flemings stressed the importance of service and said his main goal is to develop a "good partnership" with the police department and citizens of Pampa.

"I am a very strong believer that we should be able to go about our community safely," he said. "My philosophy is, do unto others as you would have them do unto you. I plan to be much more service oriented."

His long term goal, "is to be the best in the state of Texas," he said.

Flemings first objective is to learn the department and become familiar with the policies.

"I know some of the members of the police department," he said.

When asked if the people of Pampa would see a change, he replied, "I certainly hope they will see drastic changes."

Flemings said he is a straight and open person. He is also consistent and fair, he said.

"I have a lot to do in the next 90 days," he said. "I have 15 to 20 programs I would like to put to use, but most importantly I want to be service oriented. We need to know what the citizens want."

Mayor Richard Peet said, "We had a chance to ask our own questions and I was pleased with his outlook for Pampa."

Hackler said, "I believe Flemings provides a combination of leadership, character and professionalism."

Flemings was questioned about pending lawsuits against the city.

"I was not the chief during that time and it is not my place to act on it," he said.

Teaching law enforcement is one of Flemings' qualifications. He has received his basic, intermediate and advanced certification and law enforcement instructor's certification from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.



(Staff photo by Daniel Wiegars) Commissioner Ray Hupp, Mayor Richard Peet, Commissioner Robert Dixon (partially hidden) and Commissioner Jerry Wilson, left to right, congratulate Charles Flemings, far right, Tuesday night upon selecting him as Pampa's new chief of police.

Flemings received a bachelor's degree in science from West Texas State University, majoring in municipal public administration with a minor in sociology and criminal justice.

His professional affiliations include International Association of Police Chiefs, National Association of Police Chiefs, Texas Police Chiefs Association, board member, Texas Panhandle Peace Officers Association, and PRPC Criminal Justice Advisory Board.

He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Panhandle, Rotary International of Panhandle and Optimist International of Borger.

Ken Hall, emergency director has been the interim police chief since Jim Laramore retired June 15 after serving as chief for nearly three years.

meeting in Houston last year, said, "It's not going to look good if the school board's trying to cut and then the school board loads up and goes to Houston."

Jackson pointed out that "we aren't talking about \$10,000," but an estimated \$1,500.

In other business, the board:

- approved the monthly expenditures and minutes of previous meetings.
- discussed student achievement tests in a closed session. Roper said the tests taken in April show low test scores for fourth, seventh and ninth grades.

"This was some concern for us. We went on and discussed how to remedy this and what we could do with them next year," Roper said.

He said some of the items discussed included a required tutorial period and a no zero policy.

• took no action following an executive session to discuss school personnel assignments.

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The confiscated pills remained in the custody of Customs officials.

Janet Benschhoff, president of the Center for Reproductive Law and Policy, criticized the appeals court's stay: "This is just another illustration of the Bush administration playing politics with women's health."

But in Washington, Justice Department spokesman Joe Krovisky said: "The district judge was clearly wrong. It's the responsibility of the FDA to make judgments of this kind as to how drugs can be used."

Lefors ISD awards tax collection contract to GCAD

By BETH MILLER
Senior Staff Writer

LEFORS - Lefors Independent School District Board of Trustees voted Tuesday evening to turn over its ad valorem tax collections to the Gray County Appraisal District.

Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Pat Bagley told the board Tuesday that the appraisal district would contract with the school to collect its taxes for a one-year period at an estimated cost of \$10,800.

The Appraisal District currently does the appraisal work for the Lefors ISD.

Bagley said he did not know what future costs of collection would be if the contract continued.

"We're always willing to help the taxing units," Bagley said in his presentation. "We think we can do a good job."

He also pointed out that the Appraisal District was not soliciting business, but the board of directors

has consistently said they want to help any of the taxing entities in whatever way they can.

The Appraisal District currently collects taxes for the city of Lefors, Pampa Independent School District and the city of Pampa. Gray County has also requested a cost estimate from the Appraisal District, although it has not been discussed by the Commissioners Court.

Lefors Superintendent Joe Roper, of the decision, said, "They (school board) decided they wanted to do that. They felt like it would take a load off Pat (Seely) and we also had other people helping her collect them. They felt like school business would be more effectively taken care of by not having them collect taxes."

Seely said that everyone she had talked with had been pleased with the Appraisal District. She also said she did not have time to call those taxpayers who missed their arranged monthly payments.

In other business, the board unanimously voted to contract with West Texas Insurance Exchange of Midland to provide student insurance at a cost of \$1,960. Last year, the school district paid \$4,900 for the student insurance with another company.

Cafeteria prices for the 1992-93 school year were unanimously approved to remain the same. Breakfast costs 50 cents. Lunch for kindergarten through fifth-graders will be 75 cents and lunch for sixth- through 12-graders will be \$1. Reduced prices are 30 cents for breakfast and 40 cents for lunch. Teachers can eat in the cafeteria for \$1.50.

Letters of appreciation were unanimously approved to be sent to Sherry Davenport and Richard Stowers with Culberson-Stowers. Davenport organized Lefors effort in the Driving for Education program, which Culberson-Stowers sponsored.

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Appeals panel blocks order to return abortion pill to woman

By RONALD POWERS
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - A pregnant American woman who brought the French abortion pill to the United States looked to the U.S. Supreme Court today after a federal appeals court refused to release the confiscated drug.

A federal judge on Tuesday ruled that the government had illegally seized the drug, RU486, and had acted for political reasons. He ordered it returned to Leona Benten immediately.

But a three-judge panel of the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals granted a government request to block the ruling, pending further appeals.

An emergency request to lift the stay was filed at the Supreme Court this morning, a court spokeswoman

said. Justice Clarence Thomas can act alone or refer the matter to the full court, and no time frame was set for action.

Ms. Benten, now seven weeks pregnant, must take the RU486 by Saturday, under the French standards for using the drug, said her attorney, Simon Heller. RU486, which has been used by some 110,000 women in Britain and France, has not been approved in the United States.

The Food and Drug Administration allows people to import in small quantities drugs that are approved in other countries, as long as they are not for commercial use. Cancer and AIDS drugs are the most commonly imported.

U.S. District Judge Charles P. Sifton ruled that the FDA erred when it failed to publish or hold public hearings on an agency ruling

that the personal use exemption does not apply to RU486.

"This was a lawsuit waiting to happen," the judge said. "The record before this court reveals a history of political and bureaucratic timidity mixed with well-intentioned blundering in dealing with two of the most charged and significant issues of our time: AIDS and abortion."

The FDA's assertion that RU486 could pose a risk does not distinguish it from other drugs allowed under the personal use exemption, the judge said.

"It appears much more likely ... that the decision to ban the drug was based not from any bona fide concern for the safety of users of the drug, but for political considerations," Sifton said.

Although he agreed that Ms. Benten had a right to the drug, he denied

a broader request to make the FDA allow importation of RU486 without restriction.

Drake S. Cutini, a Justice Department lawyer, argued before the appeals court that the FDA was right to bar RU486 because it has not been proven safe. The government also claimed the abortion pills should not be returned because Ms. Benten could have a surgical abortion.

Ms. Benten, an unmarried, 29-year-old social worker from California, was stopped by Customs officials July 1 when she arrived at Kennedy Airport from London. She was carrying a dozen RU486 pills, which make up a single dose and are enough to terminate her pregnancy.

Abortion Rights Mobilization had arranged Ms. Benten's trip and alerted authorities to her arrival to challenge the FDA policy, which they say stems from the Bush

administration's anti-abortion stance. The Center for Reproductive Law and Policy sued on Ms. Benten's behalf.

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Industrial production declines, shows first drop in five months

WASHINGTON (AP) - Output at the nation's factories, mines and utilities declined in June for the first time in five months, pulled down in part by the brief railroad

strike, the government said today. The 0.3 percent drop in the Federal Reserve's Industrial Production Index fit in with other statistics showing the economic recovery slowed to a crawl

in June, including a large increase in unemployment, lackluster retail sales and muted price increases.

Last month's fall followed four consecutive increases: 0.5 percent in both May and April, 0.4 percent in March and 0.5 percent in February.

The Federal Reserve attributed part of the overall decline to a sharp 3.4 percent drop in coal mine production, which was temporarily suspended because of the railroad strike. That brought overall mine production, which includes oil drilling, down by 1.4 percent.

Meanwhile, factory output fell 0.3 percent. Production of durable goods, "big ticket" items from televisions

to turbines expected to last three or more years, fell 0.4 percent.

Production of appliances, furniture and computers continued to improve, but car and light-truck manufacturing fell 3.5 percent. Production of industrial equipment and construction supplies also fell.

A drop in production of food and clothing pushed non-durable goods output down by a slight 0.1 percent.

At utilities, production edged down 0.2 percent last month, the second decline in a row.

Analysts were expecting the June decline in industrial production and said in advance that it was symptomatic of the painfully slow

recovery from the 1990-91 recession. So far the recovery has not helped to bring down the nation's unemployment rate, which hit an eight-year high of 7.8 percent in June, and economists are hoping increased industrial production eventually will produce job gains.

The various changes brought the Industrial Production Index in June to 108.2 percent of its 1987 base of 100, up only 0.8 percent from a year earlier.

The report also said the industrial concerns were operating at 78.5 percent of capacity, down from 78.9 percent in May. The factory operating rate was 77.6 percent, down from 78 percent.

Campaign trail rough for Perot supporters

DALLAS (AP) - Ross Perot's campaign sought on Tuesday to quell talk of major internal turmoil, saying the candidate and his top aides remain in tune over the basic strategy for his independent presidential bid even as they disagree on a timetable for it.

Perot, to the frustration of some advisers, purposely is holding his punches so that Democrats and Republicans don't have a chance to either steal his economic proposals or rip them apart during their conventions, aides said.

"Only the impatient are in pain," said Jim Squires, Perot's chief media advisor.

Perot's upstart challenge has been buffeted recently by signs of trouble - slippage in public opinion polls, the dismissal of his only advertising firm, and reports that campaign co-manager Hamilton Jordan has threatened resignation because the candidate has ignored his advice.

As he has in his business career, the strong-willed Perot has held a tight rein on decision-making, relying on his own instincts over the counsel of his political professionals.

The Dallas billionaire, who has said he is willing to spend \$100 million for a "world-class" campaign, also has kept a firm grip on his wallet so far.

"We have to argue with him for each item we're going to spend, justifiably," co-manager Ed Rollins said Tuesday on NBC's "Today" show.

Rollins acknowledged there "has been some frustration" and "a bit of dissension" within the Perot camp, but expressed doubt that Jordan would quit.

"Hamilton has had some frustration as have many people, but he's certainly not intending, at least to the best of my knowledge, of leaving the campaign," Rollins said.

"I've been in campaigns, and sooner or later there are the disarray stories," Rollins said. "We're basically pulling it all together and I think we're going to be prepared to give battle in the fall."

Squires also said he would be "very surprised" if Jordan departed. Jordan's secretary said the reports were "absolutely untrue," but that Jordan had no further comment.

The Washington Post and New York Times published reports Tuesday that Jordan was weighing resignation. Last week, a Jordan associate told The Associated Press that Jordan felt the Perot effort was drifting and that the candidate was reticent to take advice.

Rollins, who managed Ronald Reagan's 1984 race, and Jordan, the architect of Jimmy Carter's two presidential campaigns, signed on with Perot as co-managers. But they report to Perot's top aide, campaign chairman Tom Iuce, and had to agree in advance "that final decisions would be left to the Perot, a neophyte at campaigning for elective office."

"In every campaign there are disagreements from time to time about strategy and tactics," Luce said Tuesday. "There have been disagreements in this campaign from time to time. Hamilton assures me he does not intend to leave the campaign."

Perot has balked at pressure to launch an advertising blitz, begin laying out his stands on issues and even freshen up his stump speech, aides have told the AP. Asked last week when ads would begin, Perot said, "We'll do it when I decide."

Squires said that taking political hits and living through stories of disarray were the price Perot was willing to pay to be able to launch a major drive at the end of the summer.

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Services tomorrow

APPLEGATE, Minnie L. — 2 p.m., Peaceful Gardens Chapel, Lubbock.
ESCOBEDO, Ventura — 4:30 p.m., Templo Bautista Church, Friona.
SEGER, Randall Jay — 11 a.m., First Southern Baptist Church, Fritch.
STUBBLEFIELD, Goldia L. — 2 p.m., First Christian Church, Canadian.
WHEELER, Amy Anne — 2 p.m., Watts Funeral Home, Madill, Okla.

Obituaries

MINNIE L. APPLGATE
 SLATON — Minnie L. Applegate, 72, mother of a Pampa resident, died Monday, July 13, 1992. Services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday in Lubbock's Peaceful Gardens Chapel with Henry P. Thomson officiating. Burial will be in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park by Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home of Lubbock.
 Mrs. Applegate was born in Red River County and moved to Slaton five years ago from Abernathy. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.
 Survivors include six sons, Gaylon Applegate of Point, Billy Applegate of Littlefield, Maynard Applegate Jr. of Pampa, Rudy Applegate of Amarillo, Kenneth Applegate of Lubbock and Chris Applegate of Slaton; seven daughters, Frances Holbert of Quinlan, Edna Thomson of Lubbock, Margaret Scott of Hereford, Helen Clare of Slaton, Judy Brown and Katie Holmes, both of Amarillo and Gladys Walker of Ringling, Okla.; five sisters, Mrs. R.L. Roberts of Mount Pleasant, Delene Mayezes of Bogata, Eular Patton and Pearle Hampton, both of Wichita Falls, and Ada Phifer of Eunice, N.M.; 34 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be made to the American Lung Association, 3520 Executive Center Drive, Suite G-100, Austin, Texas 78731-1698.

VENTURA ESCOBEDO
 FRIONA — Ventura Escobedo, 63, a former Pampa resident, died Monday, July 13, 1992. Services are set for 4:30 p.m. Thursday in Templo Bautista Church with the Rev. Ruben Rivera, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Friona by Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.
 Mrs. Escobedo was born in Yorktown and moved to Friona in 1967 from Pampa. She married Albert Escobedo Sr. in 1948 at San Angelo; he preceded her in death in 1971.
 Survivors include two sons, Albert Escobedo and Abraham Escobedo, both of Friona; six daughters, Amelia Soltero and Ida Lisa Escobedo, both of Friona, Ramona Mejia of Garden City, Kan., Victoria Montgomery of Hereford, Margarita Temez of Amarillo and Christian Escobedo of Dumas; four brothers, Aristeo Valdez of San Angelo, Blas Valdez and Guadalupe Valdez, both of Groveland, Fla., and Valentin Valdez of Naples, Fla.; four sisters, Brijida Montalvo of Oshkosh, Wis., Rosario Rodriguez and Dominga Rodriguez, both of Groveland, Fla., and Agustina Rublocaba of San Angelo; her mother, Ramona Valdez of San Angelo; 21 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

RANDALL JAY SEGER
 FRITCH — Randall Jay Seger, 33, relative of Pampa residents, died Monday, July 13, 1992, in an oilfield accident near Borger. Services are set for 11 a.m. Thursday in First Southern Baptist Church with the Rev. Leonard Forsythe, pastor of Bible Baptist Church of Borger, officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Memorial Park by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors of Fritch.
 Mr. Seger was born in Borger and was a lifetime resident of Hutchinson County. He was a derrick hand for Diatom Drilling Co.
 Survivors include his fiancée, Shirley Ketchum of Fritch; his parents, Shirley and Don Hoskins of Pampa and Roy and Judy Seger of Sanford; five brothers, Mike Strickland of Fritch, Billy Strickland of Cave Springs, Ark., Russell Strickland of Borger and Ronnie Jones and Richard Jones, both of Pampa; three sisters, Renee Seger of Pampa, Donna Myers of Cave Springs, Ark., and Patricia Strickland of Borger; and two grandmothers, Clara Jones of Borger and Thelma Seger of Sacramento, Calif.

GOLDIA L. STUBBLEFIELD
 CANADIAN — Goldia L. Stubblefield, 83, died Monday, July 13, 1992. Services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Rick Bartlett, pastor, and the Rev. Andy Taylor of Sayre, Okla., officiating. Burial will be in Canadian Cemetery by Stickleby-Hill Funeral Home.
 Mrs. Stubblefield was born in Cloud Chief, Okla., and was a longtime Hemphill County resident. She married Fred Stubblefield in 1926; he preceded her in death in 1990. She was a homemaker.
 Survivors include three sons, Troy Stubblefield of Canadian, Terry Stubblefield of Ovalo and Ted Stubblefield of Dimmitt; three daughters, Joann Henderson of Elk City, Okla., Vonnell Lacey of Midwest City, Okla., and Patricia Washuta of Canadian; 11 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

Correction
 Lefors city employee Carl Connell's name was misspelled in a Tuesday story. *The Pampa News* regrets any inconvenience the error may have caused.

Clarification
 In the Monday edition, an arrest of Kevin Taylor McKnight for driving while intoxicated was listed under the Gray County Sheriff's Office report. McKnight had been transferred to Gray County and released on bond on a previous arrest which had already been listed in the police report. This was not a separate arrest.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
TUESDAY, July 14
 Marvin Lee Dehls, 1100 Terry Road, reported theft of a Yamaha at the residence.
 Ryan Wayne Cook, 1016 Sirroco, reported theft. Taylor Food Mart, 404 Ballard, reported theft.
 Jeremy Jim Helfer, 316 N. Ward, reported criminal mischief to a 1975 Chevrolet at Foster and Gray streets.
 Culligan Water Conditioning, 314 S. Starkweather, reported criminal mischief at the business.
 Steve Shorter, 212 Miami, reported criminal mischief at the residence.
 Dust-Rite Dust Control Services, 901 S. Barnes, reported criminal mischief 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.
TUESDAY, July 14
 Union Pacific Resources, Pampa, reported burglary.
 Benjamin Ward of Amarillo reported theft over \$20/under \$200.
Arrests
TUESDAY, July 14
 Tammy Lynn Jones, 26, 1534 N. Faulkner, was arrested on a warrant for theft of property by check. She was released upon payment of fine.
 Joe H. Manzanarez, 36, 859 E. Kingsmill, was arrested on a warrant for theft of property by check. He was released on bond.

Accidents

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

Fires

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

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions
 Frank Allen Jr., Pampa
 Jimmie Ray Carroll, Pampa
 Margaret Ann Coulter, Perryton
 Delores Faye Edwards, Shamrock
 Harold Ray Haines, Pampa
 Bessie Mae Tackett, Pampa
 Mildred R. Windom, McLean
 Charlotte Sumner (extended care), Canadian
Dismissals
 Glenda Ann Bye, Skellytown
 Kitty Lou Dom, White Deer
 Dixie C. Lively, Pampa
 Kelly Lee McElwain and baby boy, Pampa
 Charlotte Sumner, Canadian
 Nellie S. Thomas, Pampa
 Jennie Wunschel, Borger
 Harold E. Easton (extended care), McLean
 Winnie D. Slaten (extended care), Pampa
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
 No admissions were reported today.
Dismissals
 No dismissals were reported today.

Calendar of events

PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB
 Pampa Bridge Club meets on Thursday at 10 a.m. in Room 11 at Clarendon College, Pampa Center. To arrange for a partner, call Marguerite Ward at 669-7543.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.96	
Milo	4.18	
Corn	4.53	

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Ky. Cent. Life	9 1/2	NC
Serfco	2 3/8	dn 1/4
Occidental	19 7/8	dn 1/4

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

Magellan	65.38	
Puritan	14.98	

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

Amoco	50	dn 1/4
Arco	110 5/8	dn 1/4
Cabot	47 7/8	NC
Cabot O&G	15	up 1
Chevron	69 5/8	dn 3/8
Coca-Cola	40 5/8	dn 7/8
Enron	43 5/8	up 3/4
Halliburton	28 1/2	dn 1/8
HealthTrust Inc.	15 1/8	up 1/8
Ingersoll Rand	26 1/2	dn 1/8
KNE	24 5/8	up 1/4
Ker McOee	41 1/8	dn 1/8
Limited	20 1/8	NC
Mapco	57 1/2	NC
Maxus	6 1/4	NC
McDonald's	46	dn 1/8
Mobil	64	dn 1
New Amos	20	dn 1/8
Packer & Parsley	13 3/8	up 3/8
Penney's	70 5/8	dn 1/4
Phillips	26 3/4	dn 3/8
SLB	63 7/8	dn 1/8
SPS	32 3/4	dn 1/8
Tenneco	35 1/2	dn 3/8
Texaco	64 1/2	dn 1/8
Wal-Mart	53 3/4	up 1/4
New York Gold	350.30	
Silver	3.91	
West Texas Crude	21.41	

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830

Yeltsin expresses optimism about harvest, reforms

MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris Yeltsin says he's optimistic about this year's Russian grain harvest and the fate of reforms — with or without financial help from the West.
 "As president, I rule out the collapse of reforms," he said in an interview with Russian journalists.
 Yeltsin said Western aid would speed reforms, but denied that they

were essential to Russia's economic future, the Interfax news agency reported Tuesday. Yeltsin, however, has lobbied heavily for Western assistance.
 On the harvest, Yeltsin said Russian experts predicted the harvest would be better than last year despite drought in some areas.
 A report by the ITAR-Tass news

agency said Yeltsin and members of his Cabinet met Tuesday with leaders of the Russian legislature, and that participants urged that Russian Central Bank Chairman Georgy Matyukhin be replaced. There were no further details on the meeting.
 Matyukhin has clashed with members of Yeltsin's economic team over the pace and course of reforms.

Fritch aid



Pampa Salvation Army volunteers, LeRoy Rossiter, left, and Mary Rossiter, right, load a pickup truck of furniture and other items intended for victims of the June 27 tornado which caused approximately \$50 million in damage to the community of Fritch, south of Borger. Salvation Army officers and volunteers, including those from Pampa, have been assisting the tornado victims since the night of the disaster.

City OKs telephone franchise ordinance

By ANGELA LEGGETT
 Staff Writer

Pampa city commissioners approved an ordinance concerning the Southwestern Bell Telephone franchise during a regular session Tuesday.
 This franchise repeals and replaces the current franchise which expires in August 1994 and more than doubles the minimum annual municipal fee as compensation for use of the city's streets, alleys and other public rights of way. The annual municipal fee will increase revenue to the city from the current \$59,512 to \$137,000.
 Ray Velasquez of Pampa spoke out against the franchise, saying he feared citizens would have to pay an increased amount on their telephone bills.
 Terry Hembree, a Pampa resident, questioned where the increase in money would go.
 Glen Hackler, Pampa city manager, said the funds would go into the city of Pampa's general fund.
 Gene Lewis of Pampa asked during the citizen's request period that

AMT ambulances not run their lights and sirens during non-emergency calls. He also asked if they would re-route their drive to get to Hobart Street by driving down Kingsmill Street, rather than driving down Somerville Street.
 Board members agreed to look into the matter.
 In a work session prior to the regular meeting, there was discussion of a proposal for a 100 percent-funded Household Hazardous Waste Management Grant from the Texas Water Commission.
 "Under the proposal, an antifreeze recycling center would be set up, a feasibility study would be done, and an educational video would be made," Hackler said. "Disposal costs are so expensive."
 Commissioners discussed changes in the city of Pampa's alley clean-up program.
 There has been a back log since the pilot program began in the fall of 1991, Hackler said.
 "It has had a backfiring effect and the contractor has approached us about an increase in compensation," he said.
 Discussion concluded by planning

to get caught up on the calls and in the future to handle pickups on a case-by-case basis.
 Renewal rates for the city of Pampa's stop loss and aggregate excess reinsurance was discussed. Members talked over the standard renewal rate and seemed to agree that it was the favorable option at this time.
 In the regular meeting the commission also:
 • approved a recommendation to hire Charles W. Flemins as police chief;
 • approved a bid for delinquent tax property at 524 N. Davis;
 • approved absences and previous minutes.
 Meeting was adjourned until 5 p.m. Thursday when a special meeting was announced to consider approval of a plat relative to the Coronado Medical Complex.
 The special meeting will take place if a quorum can be present, Hackler said.
 "The city is needing to approve a parking lot adjacent to the hospital," Hackler said. "It is not complicated and it has been in the working for nearly two months."

Doctors remove benign tumor from Pope's colon

ROME (AP) — Doctors removed a benign tumor from Pope John Paul II's colon today, and the pontiff was in "very good shape," an attending physician said.
 Surgeons also removed John Paul's gallbladder after finding some gallstones, said Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro.
 Cardiologist Attilio Maseri said the tumor was of "fair size," Navarro said it was 2 1/2 to 3 inches long. A medical bulletin issued by the Vatican and the hospital said two biopsies showed the tumor was benign.
 Maseri said the operation lasted about 3 1/2 hours and went "very smoothly."
 "You never know with these things, you never know what to expect," Maseri told an Associated Press reporter. "In this case, they went better than expected."
 Navarro said the pope would remain at the hospital for about 10 days, then recuperate further

at his retreat in Castel Gandolfo.
 Dr. Luigi Candia, a top official of the Gemelli hospital, where the surgery was performed, said there would be no need for a second operation as had been originally feared.
 Guards, including plainclothes Vatican security men, were posted on the hospital's ninth floor — the surgical ward — this morning for the first time since John Paul, 72, was admitted Sunday with an intestinal problem.
 Doctors then conducted a series of tests to determine whether surgery was needed. One of the doctors, anesthesiologist Corrado Manni, told Vatican Radio on Tuesday that the pope had been very calm.
 "The state of mind of a patient, who must face an event, is very important," said Manni, who was also part of the medical team that operated on the pope after he was shot in the intestines in a 1981 assassination attempt.
 The pope celebrated Mass by

himself in a makeshift chapel next to his room about two hours before the operation, Navarro said.
 He said the pontiff still planned to make his scheduled October trip to the Dominican Republic to mark the 500th anniversary of the arrival of Christianity.
 Today is the day the pope normally holds his weekly public audience. Some 5,000 Polish pilgrims who came to Rome to attend the audience instead prayed at Mass in St. Peter's Basilica.
 On Tuesday, telegrams, letters and other messages for the pope poured into the Vatican and the hospital, including one from Mehmet Ali Agca of Turkey, who was convicted of trying to assassinate the pope. He is imprisoned in Italy.
 President Bush sent John Paul a telegram on behalf of the American people, wishing him a "rapid and complete recovery." Polish President Lech Walesa sent his best wishes.

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of thunderstorms, a low in the mid 60s and southerly winds 5-15 mph. Thursday, partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, a high in the 90s and variable winds, 5-15 mph. Tuesday's high was 89 degrees; the overnight low was 68 degrees.
REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Sunny except partly cloudy today with widely scattered thunderstorms mainly in the afternoon. Highs 80s mountains with mostly 90s elsewhere except near 103 Big Bend valleys. Tonight, fair Concho Valley and

Far West, partly cloudy with widely scattered to scattered mainly evening thunderstorms elsewhere. Lows in the 60s except upper 50s northwestern Panhandles, lower 70s Concho Valley and Permian Basin with mid 70s Big Bend valleys.
 North Texas — Partly cloudy through Thursday with widely scattered mainly afternoon and evening thunderstorms west and central, and scattered thunderstorms in the east. Lows in the 70s Wednesday night. Highs today and Thursday in the 90s.
 South Texas — Scattered showers in coastal plains moving westward Thursday. Otherwise partly cloudy with warm nights and hot afternoons. Lows tonight in the

70s, near 80 along the coast. Highs today and Thursday in the 90s, in the 80s immediate coast and near 102 southwest.
BORDER STATES
 New Mexico — Mostly fair, skies at night. Lows Wednesday night in mid 30s to mid 50s mountains with 50s and 60s at lower elevations. High Wednesday and Thursday in the 70s to mid 80s mountains with mid 80s to near 100 at lower elevations.
 Oklahoma — Wednesday, clear to partly cloudy with widely scattered afternoon thunderstorms. Highs in 90s. Wednesday night and Thursday, partly cloudy and continued warm with scattered thunderstorms most numerous north. Lows upper 60s to the mid-70s. Highs in 90s.

Inmates' lawyers report settlement in prison lawsuit

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — An end to the long-running prison lawsuit and years of federal court control of Texas prisons may be in sight, officials said Tuesday.

Attorneys representing inmates in the Ruiz lawsuit said they signed a settlement that previously was approved by Texas Attorney General Dan Morales.

"Basically, we are ending Ruiz," said attorney Donna Brorby of San Francisco. The case is named after plaintiff-inmate David Ruiz, who first filed suit in 1972.

The settlement must be approved by U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice of Tyler before removal of federal supervision of the Texas prison system, which is one of the largest in the nation with about 49,000 inmates.

Morales, in New York for the

Democratic National Convention, said: "We are encouraged. Our objective from the beginning has been to return control of the state prison system to state officials. This is a positive development toward that end."

Morales said he was "cautiously optimistic" that a settlement could be reached.

"If indeed it goes the way that we're hopeful it will go, it's a terrific thing for our state."

But, Morales added, "Frankly we've come closer before only to see the thing fall apart."

Selden Hale, chairman of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, said signing of the agreement marks the probable end of the lawsuit.

"It's sort of a historical reality that Ruiz had to be ended. It's sort of like the Berlin Wall coming down. It was just inevitable," Hale said.

In 1980, Justice declared that



Donna Brorby, an attorney representing prisoners in the landmark Ruiz lawsuit in Texas, stands in her San Francisco office Tuesday.

confinement in the Texas prison system constituted cruel and unusual punishment. His opinion

cited overcrowding, under staffing, substandard medical care, and routine brutality by

guards and inmates who were used as guards.

After more than a decade of massive spending increases to build new prisons, state officials said they had earned the right to take back control of the system.

But attempts to end the lawsuit hit snags, resulting in fights between Morales and the inmates' attorneys for most of the year.

The inmates' attorneys and Criminal Justice Board had reached a settlement, but Morales rejected it, calling it a "surrender agreement" that would have maintained federal court control.

Ms. Brorby had dismissed those claims as political posturing by Morales.

Another round of courtroom fighting was set to start Wednesday on whether Morales could reject the settlement accepted by the Criminal Justice Board.

But that hearing was canceled because of the inmates' attorneys

agreement to sign a settlement that Morales had offered in May and already signed.

Ms. Brorby said she signed the agreement because she is convinced that Texas prison officials are committed to running a constitutional prison system.

"We were then and remain convinced that it's time for Ruiz to end," she said.

Under the agreement, Texas will be able to place about 3,500 more inmates into already overcrowded prisons and new prisons within a year, Hale said.

The settlement would remove court-imposed population caps on future prisons, and allow the state to use tents, or abandoned military installations for certain kinds of facilities.

The proposal would save the state about \$100 million that it would have to pay to counties for inmates backed up in county jails, officials said.

Music on the move



(Staff photo by Daniel Wiegner)

Members of the Black Gold Drum & Bugle Corps. practice their "Music on the Move" program at the track field of Pampa Middle School this week. Pampa Independent School District allowed the group of Oklahoma musicians, ages 14-21, to stay and practice at the Middle School while the group was en route to Albuquerque, N.M. The 100-member drum and bugle corps, based in Tulsa, Okla., has risen to fifth in the nation since it began five years ago. Their two-month national tour includes performances in 12 states. Its performances combine precision marching, musical ability, orchestration and visual effects.

Judge's ruling allows playing of Clinton-Flowers recordings

DALLAS (AP) — A state district judge on Tuesday dissolved a temporary order that forced a political organization to stop using tapes of alleged conversations between Gennifer Flowers and Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton.

The ruling of Judge Joe Brown cleared the way for resumption of the "Bill Clinton Fact Line" by the Presidential Victory Committee, set up by Floyd Brown, who organized the Willie Horton ads aired in 1988 by Bush supporters against Democrat Michael Dukakis.

The judge did not elaborate on his ruling, but also included an order that Ms. Flowers pay \$6,475 in attorneys' fees to the committee and to Brown.

Floyd Brown said late Tuesday he hopes re-activate the phone line within the next 24 hours.

"We knew this was a frivolous lawsuit from the start," he said.

For \$4.99, callers can hear excerpts of a purported private telephone conversation between Ms. Flowers and the Arkansas governor.

Ms. Flowers had won a temporary court order Friday.

Several months ago, Ms. Flowers, a former Dallas lounge singer and state worker in Arkansas, said she had a longtime affair with Clinton — allegations he has denied. Ms. Flowers said she taped some of her conversations with the Arkansas governor.

In January, she released some of the tapes at a press conference, but she complained that it was a violation of her rights for Floyd Brown to charge money for people to call in and listen to the recordings.

The committee's lawyer, J. Shelby Sharpe of Fort Worth, played a 60-second ad for Judge Brown promoting the phone line.

"Get to know Bill Clinton the way Gennifer Flowers did," an announcer states. "Learn the truth about Bill Clinton and his past." The ad also warns of "explicit language," and says that no one over 18 is allowed to hear the 10-minute tape.

After operating for about 36 hours last week before it was shut down, the phone line rang up 7,300 calls, generating about \$38,000 to the committee, said its executive director, David Bossie.

Within hours of last week's ruling, Bossie said, "we pulled all the spots off the air and closed the phone lines down."

Kathryn Wray, who represents Ms. Flowers, had asked the judge to continue the restraining order because the phone line violated her client's right to control use of her voice for profit.

"They are making money off my client," said Ms. Wray of Dallas. "Just because you're a political organization doesn't mean you can haul off and do whatever you want and not have to answer for it. ... They're violating Ms. Flowers' privacy for a profit."

Sharpe argued that Ms. Flowers gave up her privacy rights when she called her January news conference. "That's when her rights went out the window," he said. "She interjected herself into the political arena."

Ms. Wray and co-counsel Roy True said they were disappointed by the ruling. They said they planned to try for a more favorable one at another hearing set for July 23.

Railroad Commission to consider pipeline construction

HOUSTON (AP) — The Texas Railroad Commission has agreed to hold a hearing on the construction of a gas liquids pipeline at the request of landowners in the Piney Creek subdivision near Bellville.

The landowners are fighting to stop construction of the pipeline through their neighborhood.

The railroad commission will hold a "pre-hearing conference" Friday in Austin to decide whether it should consider revoking a permit it issued to Seminole Pipeline.

Commission spokesman Brian

Schaible said that one of the points to be clarified at Friday's conference is whether the commission legally can reconsider the permit.

Piney Creek landowners began their campaign following the April explosion at Seminole's Brenham gas storage cavern. Residents of the rural northeast Austin County neighborhood, some 20 miles south of Brenham, say the pipeline would endanger their safety and hurt their property values.

Seminole spokesman Rick Neal said his company will fight any attempts to revoke its permit. "We

believe we have a valid permit and want to move forward," Neal said.

Seminole wants to build a gas liquids pipeline that would stretch from the New Mexico border to Mont Belvieu, a large gas storage center supplying Gulf Coast chemical plants.

Piney Creek landowner Sheena Bass, who heads the neighborhood opposition, said her group has collected 1,000 signatures on a petition opposing the pipeline. The group also has lined up landowners from San Saba County whose land is crossed by Seminole pipelines.

Baby boy's body found in apartment swimming pool

HOUSTON (AP) — A newborn infant's body has been found at the bottom of an apartment complex swimming pool in east Harris County, authorities said.

A resident saw the body of the baby boy, estimated to be no more than a day old, when she went for

a swim Tuesday evening.

Officials at the Harris County Sheriff's Department said they had not located the boy's parents and did not yet know how the infant died, but hoped someone would come forward with information.

"We've knocked on a lot of doors tonight all through the apartment complexes and talked to a lot of people. Nobody seems to know anything right now," Detective Bill Taber said late Tuesday.

An autopsy will be conducted on the infant, he said.

City police department's juvenile case load increases

By ANGELA LEGGETT
Staff Writer

In the past few years, Pampa Police Department's juvenile case load has increased.

The juvenile division of the police department is responsible for the investigating of all juvenile cases where a juvenile has been listed as a victim, suspect or witness.

Cpl. Katie Gerhardt, juvenile detective, currently has an average daily case load of 150 juvenile cases that she sorts through and that number is rapidly increasing.

An eight-year employee of the police department, Gerhardt has

worked for the past two years with juvenile cases.

"I prioritize my cases by the offense - felonies, misdemeanors - and do them in the order of severity," she said in a Monday interview. "It doesn't matter if they are juvenile or adult."

An average caseload in 1986 was approximately 50 cases. It is anticipated that the juvenile detective's caseload may increase by 15 to 20 percent during this summer, according to a police department press release.

"It has just begun to increase," Gerhardt said. "It will probably continue to increase as the summer continues."

The juvenile justice system oper-

ates on a system of rehabilitative correction for juveniles as opposed to as punitive correction for adults, according to police officials.

"The purpose of this is to remove the taint of criminality from a juvenile's actions, to prevent this taint of criminality from following a juvenile through out their entire life.

"To accomplish this, the juvenile justice system attempts to modify behavior of the juvenile and prevent reoccurring illegal activities before they become adults," she said.

There are those who get in trouble and will continue to get in trouble, Gerhardt added.

"But for the most part, when they

find out that we are not going to accept that kind of behavior, they change," she said. "You see them become a responsible young adult, the positive side. I think that is why I like my job."

In addition to these duties, Det. Gerhardt is the primary liaison between the police department and the school system.

She also investigates a percentage of adult cases that are worked by all other investigators. She is responsible for maintenance and security of all evidence retained by the department.

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Louise Fletcher
Publisher

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Managing Editor

Opinion

Let's do more than just trim the edges

In 1946, the 530 members of Congress sat on a total of 34 committees and subcommittees and employed a professional staff of 2,000.

Today, with the addition of Alaska and Hawaii to the union, we have 535 members of Congress - and they have spun out their hill-top empire to include more than 300 committees and subcommittees and employ more than 12,000 employees.

The indirect costs of having so many people meddling in legislation and government is probably impossible to calculate. The direct cost is about \$2.5 billion a year. A two, a five and eight zeros - that's how much Congress is expected to spend on itself in the next fiscal year. The \$1.8 billion bill passed by the House does not yet contain the cost of maintaining U.S. Senators in the style to which they have made themselves accustomed.

But hold on to your hats - congressional leaders are busy congratulating themselves on courageously voting to approve cost-cutting measures. The cost cutting includes eliminating a \$215,000 fund that paid for one trip by House members to go back and forth to their districts from Washington each year. Now, that doesn't mean that representatives no longer get any paid travel. In fact, they can have an unlimited number of trips paid for by U.S. taxpayers. All that was eliminated was a largely ceremonial fund that dated back to pioneer days.

The bill passed by the House also prohibits House members from sending mass mailings to people outside their district at public expense. Sounds like a significant sacrifice, doesn't it?

But in fact, once again the change was simply window dressing for the public - window dressing that will not affect congressmen until the year 2002.

The bill, if signed by President Bush, would go into effect on Oct. 1. However, members of Congress are already prohibited from sending tax-paid mailings within 60 days of an election. Therefore the provision clearly wasn't aimed at curbing abuses this year.

Unfortunately, it also won't affect behavior next year either. Mass mailings outside a district are allowed only to allow congressmen to introduce themselves to potential new constituents after redistricting. Redistricting comes after each decade's Census. Therefore, the change won't hurt any incumbent's ability to spend our money until the year 2002.

Another of the "cost-cutting" provisions adopted was one which returns to the Treasury \$6.8 million that the House somehow did not manage to spend last year.

The overstuffed House was given a chance to actually cut spending - and declined. It rejected 292-134 a GOP-sponsored amendment to decrease the General Accounting Office budget by a fourth.

It could have been worse, of course. The total tab approved by the house is \$20 million less than was appropriated last year. While we agree that marginal cuts are better than big increases, we hope the next Congress will get the message from the fed-up taxpayers that it's time for more than a little trim around the edges. It's time for congressional spending and congressional staff to be cut way back.

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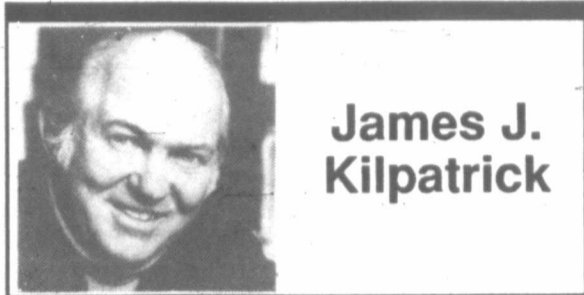
President Bush has launched one more appeal to Congress to give his plan of tuition grants a fair trial. The appeal is hopeless, but the effort is useful. The idea makes so much good sense that ultimately it will command popular and political support. The more it is discussed, the better.

Under the Bush proposal, Congress would appropriate \$500 million for the coming fiscal year. States and cities wishing to participate in the program would apply for demonstration grants. Within a given school system, every eligible child would receive a grant of \$1,000 to be applied toward tuition in any lawfully operating public, private or religious school.

Critics of the plan raise a threshold objection: Any grant that went even indirectly toward support of a sectarian school would be unconstitutional. Lamar Alexander, secretary of education, disputes the contention. He finds an analogy in the GI educational benefits of World War II. These were not restricted to enrollment in non-sectarian institutions. Thousands of veterans used tax funds to attend such schools as Notre Dame and Rodham.

Alexander feels the president's plan "is unquestionably constitutional under Supreme Court precedents," but in today's litigious society, to say that something is "unquestionable" is a highly questionable assertion.

The court has been wrestling with such questions since the *Everson* case of 1947. That was the case in which the court approved the use of public funds to bus children to private schools. In 1968 came the *Allen* case, extending permissible aid to non-sectarian textbooks for use in Catholic schools. Time passed, and in 1973 came the *Nyquist*



James J. Kilpatrick

case. Here the court struck down a New York law providing small tuition grants only to low-income families whose children attended non-public schools.

Finally in this sequence came the *Mueller* case of 1983. Here the court upheld a Minnesota law providing income tax deductions for educational expenses. Unlike the New York law in *Nyquist*, the Minnesota law covered children attending any school, public or private.

Two of the justices who supported the Minnesota plan (Burger and Powell) have retired. Two dissenters who opposed the Minnesota plan (Marshall and Brennan) also have retired. It is anyone's guess how the court would divide if the president's plan ever comes to the bar. We all should live so long.

Constitutional issues to one side, the plan offers incentives that many cities would find wonderfully attractive. Under the president's formula, for example, parents in Birmingham, Ala., would receive up to \$34 million that would find its way to both public and private schools. Denver parents might receive as much as \$40 million. In Fresno, Calif., the tempting figure is \$49 million. In Hartford,

Conn., \$20 million; in Orlando, Fla., \$72 million. These bonanzas would come on top of existing grants. The whole idea is to give eligible parents a choice for their children. Such critics as Sen. Tom Harkin of Iowa scoff at the idea that \$1,000 would go far toward tuition at private school. Alexander has some rebuttal figures: The average tuition among Catholic schools is \$1,327; more than one-third of the Catholic schools charge less than \$1,000. The most recent data for all private schools indicate that 44 percent have tuition fees under \$1,000.

The big objection, insistently raised by the huge teacher unions, is that any program of tuition vouchers would hurt the public schools. Alexander denies it. His argument is that many public schools do a poor job because they lack competition. Once a program of tuition grants had gone into operation, the weak schools would have to improve if they wanted to stay alive.

My own feeling, expressed for the past 30 years, is that tuition grants symbolize the very essence of democracy. In a free society we ought to take the total funds available for education, and divide that figure by the number of children between 6 and 18. Every child ideally would get an equal slice of the pie. One family might choose a school specializing in languages, another in sciences, another in the humanities - and for that matter, another in athletics.

Over a span of 20 years, so bold a program would invigorate both public and private schools. In time we might wind up with better poets, biologists, engineers and second basemen. It's surely worth a try.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, July 15, the 197th day of 1992. There are 169 days left in the year.

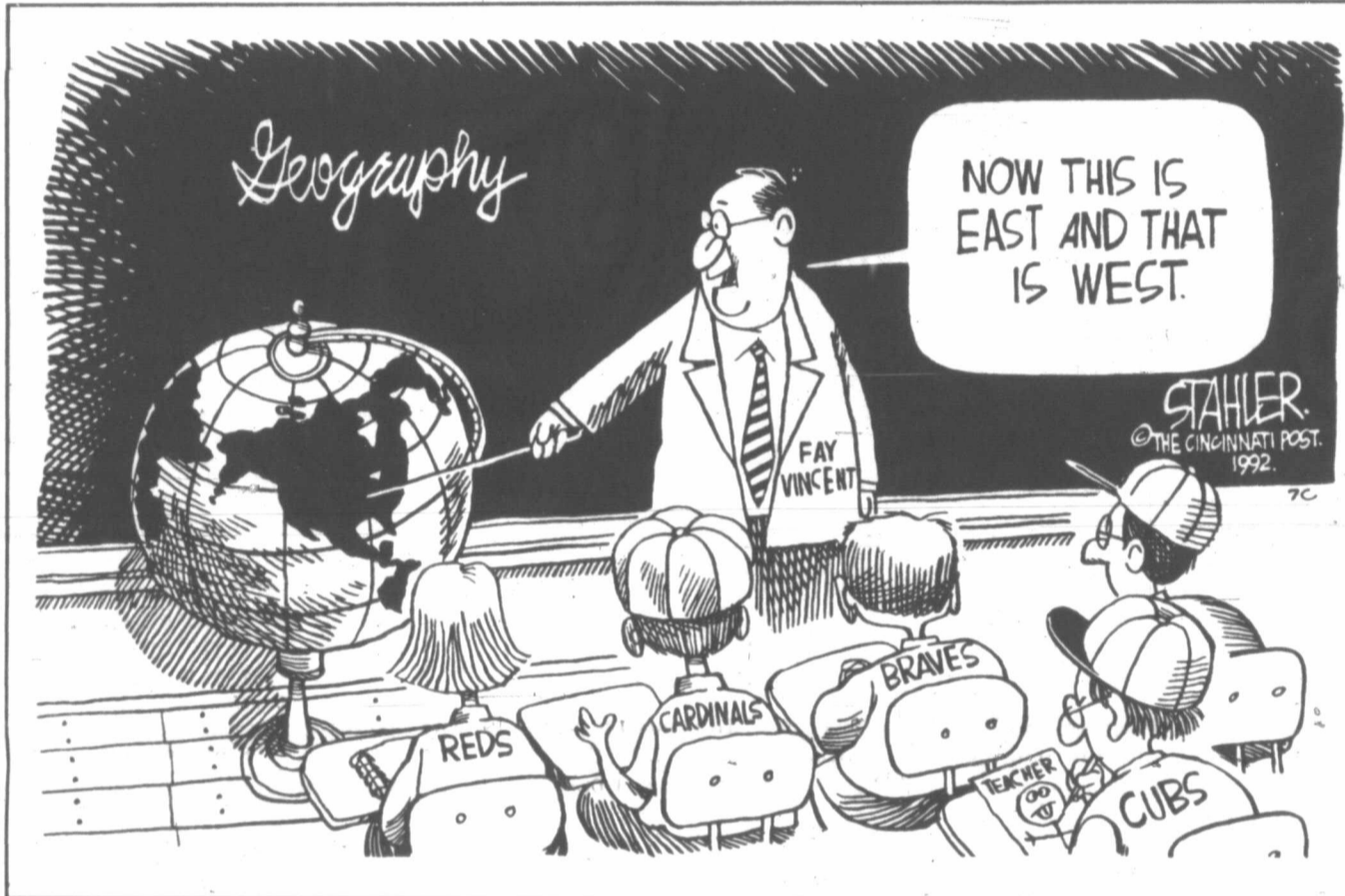
Today's Highlight in History:
On July 15, 1870, Georgia became the last of the Confederate states to be readmitted to the Union.

On this date:
In 1916, Boeing Co., originally known as Pacific Aero Products, was founded in Seattle by William Boeing.

In 1948, President Truman was nominated for another term of office by the Democratic national convention in Philadelphia.

In 1958, President Eisenhower ordered U.S. Marines to Lebanon, at the request of that country's president, Camille Chamoun, in the face of a perceived threat by Muslim rebels.

In 1964, Sen. Barry M. Goldwater of Arizona was nominated for president by the Republican national convention, meeting in San Francisco.



The 'Highest Court'

The United States Supreme Court is confused about ethics, about "basic values."

But there is a Higher Court.

The United States Supreme Court has ruled that a Hanukkah menorah in Pittsburgh is constitutional because it is near a Christmas tree, but a creche down the street is unconstitutional because it does not include secular stuff as reindeer and snowmen and Santa's houses and such.

And while you are trying to figure that out, note that the Court did approve a creche in Rhode Island. Some judges are as disgusted as you are in their efforts to understand and to administer court opinions.

At a school graduation, an entirely undenominational invocation is against the law, while it is entirely within the law at that same ceremony to recite a Pledge of Allegiance which mentions God.

American esteem for the legal profession is measurably lower than it has ever been. Until now public repudiation of lawyers per se has not extended to the Supreme Court. It soon will, as more and more the majority of these justices seek to separate our nation from its roots.

Our school system is condemned (CQ) because graduates are unable to read, write, spell or add. Sandra Allen of the Department of Behavioral Sci-



Paul Harvey

ences at the University of Oklahoma says that's not the worst of it. "They are also graduating without having been taught proper, ethical behavior."

"In the past both parents and teachers spent more time talking to children, educating them about such basic values as honesty and good citizenship. Today there is little or no instruction in ethical issues."

"Some teachers are not allowed formally to instruct children in values and ethics during the school day."

And thus, while our courts have created a whole new category of "rights," usually rights to unlimited self-expression of some form, virtue has been put on a shelf - until our schools are faced with an epidemic

of dropouts, drink, drugs and venereal disease.

Our schools don't work. Our children are worse off than 30 years ago. Over one-fourth of them are born to unmarried mothers. And family breakup is at record levels.

Our schools have failed either to refine intellects or to discipline emotions.

Politicians and educators urge "more government money." Presently our government is spending more per pupil than any other nation in the world, yet with dismal results.

It is time to rethink the lifestyles of the '70s and '80s. Satellite television has made possible a new source of public enlightenment.

Former Education Secretary Bill Bennett is chairman of N.E.T. (National Empowerment Television), with the avowed aim of mobilizing grass-roots Americans to return to basic cultural and family values.

Bennett, watching recent rioting in Los Angeles and Chicago, deduced that "we cannot raise children to be good without forcefully condemning what is bad."

And without God in public schools and in public life we have no way to know the difference.

There is a Higher Court than the Supreme Court. It decrees we will behave or be damned.

We always gravitate to the center

The Los Angeles earthquake was a mild geophysical eruption compared to the seismic upheaval produced by the Supreme Court and Bill Clinton.

Nobody - not even the vaunted constitutional pundits - came remotely close to predicting the Supreme Court's neatly finessed middle-of-the-road, something-for-both-sides ruling on abortion rights.

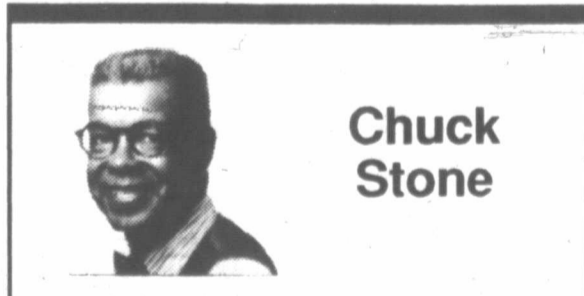
And who would have dared fantasize that cool, shades-wearing, tenor sax-honking Bill Clinton would have ever hopped onto first place in a national poll so soon, especially after running a campaign that seemed to be guided by the Titanic's navigation chart.

After the high court's dramatic abortion ruling, *The Wall Street Journal* soothingly editorialized that "The Sun Still Rises." Sure, it does. And, as the *WSJ* editorial comforted us, "come evening, it will also set."

But the court's ruling, like Clinton's astonishing rebound, says more about the uniqueness of the American character than it does about the vicissitudes of court decisions and political campaigns.

We are essentially a nation of middle-of-the-roads, despite a history of social convulsions, especially against each other. For decades, civil strife, the Industrial Revolution and movements by organized labor, women, blacks, feminists and anti-abortionists have polarized us.

And to some extent, they still do. It's part of our heritage. "We have forgotten the very principle of our origin if we have forgotten how to object, to



Chuck Stone

resist, how to pull down (my emphasis) and build up, even to the extent of revolutionary practices, if it is necessary to readjust matters," a distinguished American once said.

Kind of sounds like some old-fashioned radical like Eugene Debs or a modern-day hell-raiser like Ice-T or Sister Souljah, doesn't it? Would you believe Woodrow Wilson?

But whenever the polarities of rhetoric have shoved us into contentious camps, they have been short-lived. Judicial extremists like Justice Antonin Scalia or political extremists like Vice President Dan Quayle will always enjoy their momentary day in the sun.

That's because we all crave excitement. "The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation," wrote Thoreau. So, when a Dan Quayle comes along to distract us, we are drawn to him like moths to a flame.

But that essential centrality of the American spirit always brings us back toward each other. We never remain divided too long, even after a particu-

larly fractious campaign or election. Resiliency has an amazing capacity for causing convergence.

That's why the three presidential candidates have been so close in recent polls that it amounts to a statistical tie.

Three things happened in the last couple of weeks. Voters began to hear Clinton's economic message, and a few may have quietly applauded his denunciation of Sister Souljah, even if it was hypocritically self-serving.

Dan Quayle never had any constructive ideas and has been unfrocked for the shallow phony that he is. His surrogacy has begun to take a toll of George Bush's credibility, as have the White-House-orchestrated attacks on Ross Perot, which have made the president look almost as vindictive and petty as he would have us believe Perot is.

Finally, however, the moral of a famous children's story may have begun to catch up with Perot. Even before his slippage in the latest ABC-Washington Post poll, a *New York Times*-CBS News poll already had begun to show high negatives toward Perot.

After one of the greatest campaign media blitzes in history, a few voters are starting to point fingers at the bantam rooster from Texas and murmur with a swelling crescendo, "The king has no clothes."

Whether he does or not will be ascertained after he presents his concrete vision of the presidency. In the meantime, democracy remains well-dressed, a centerpiece of political elegance that never strays too far from the centrality of its national soul.

CONVENTION '92

Clinton's nomination tonight

By JOHN KING
AP Political Writer



(AP Photo) Texas Railroad Commissioner Lena Guerrero waves after addressing the convention Tuesday.

Texas speakers rebuke Republicans on economy

NEW YORK (AP) — The Republicans have touted family values but have failed to discuss the "most fundamental family value — a job," Texas Railroad Commissioner Lena Guerrero told the Democratic National Convention.

"For too many of our children, the American dream that I have lived is a fantasy beyond their reach," Guerrero said Tuesday night.

The commissioner is a one-time migrant farm worker who became the first Hispanic woman named to statewide office in Texas. She is considered a rising star in the Democratic party and is a protégé of Texas Gov. Ann Richards, the convention's chairwoman.

"We've heard a lot of talk about family values. And tonight, it's time we talked about the most fundamental family value — a job," the commissioner said, drawing cheers from the crowd.

Guerrero, who chairs the powerful commission regulating the oil and natural gas industry in Texas, hammered the Bush administration for its economic policies.

"During the last four years, this administration has either destroyed or placed at risk millions of jobs that families value," she said.

"In the 1988 campaign, we were promised 30 million new jobs. Mr. President, you're 29 million short," she said. "Four years ago, you said, 'Read my lips, no new taxes.' Tonight, we say to you Mr. President, 'Read our lips, we want jobs.'"

The answer is change, said Guerrero, touting the policies of soon-to-be presidential nominee Bill Clinton.

"Things would improve a whole lot by simply doing what we women have been doing for years — clean it up!" she said. "Just move the furniture when you vacuum."

Activists jam Times Square

NEW YORK (AP) — About 10,000 AIDS activists packed Times Square on Tuesday to denounce the Bush administration, praise Bill Clinton and demand more federal money for research and medical care.

"I'm personally desperate to get Bill Clinton elected," said Tom Duane, a New York City councilman who has the AIDS virus. "I don't think I have a chance to live if he doesn't get elected."

Meanwhile, police arrested 25 activists on both sides of the abortion issue during protests and an attempted confrontation with Clinton, as a variety of groups sought to send a message to Democratic convention delegates at Madison Square Garden.

Two people were arrested at the AIDS rally, which was billed as a non-partisan event though many who marched down Broadway to Times Square sported Clinton signs, T-shirts and buttons. Among those attending were Jesse Jackson and New York Mayor David Dinkins.

"I'm enthusiastic about Clinton," said Héctor García, 37, a delegate from Dallas who is gay. "He's the only one who has really listened to us and seems genuinely concerned about our needs."

The Rev. Howard Warren Jr., an Indianapolis minister who carries the virus that causes AIDS, was among

NEW YORK (AP) — Democrats nominate Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton for president tonight, optimistic that his moderate message is their path back to the White House after 12 years of Republican rule.

After two days of warmups, it was time for the convention's main event: The poll of nearly 5,000 delegates and the traditional roll call of the states, all to stamp Clinton and running mate Al Gore with the party's blessing.

"It's an amazing thing and humbling," Clinton said of the chance he'd be president. "It shows you once again how the system works, to know that somebody who came from a small state from a family without any money ... can at least get this far."

New York Gov. Mario Cuomo would put Clinton's name in nomination. "It will not be a great speech," the frequently eloquent governor said. "Don't stay up."

Clinton is banking on voters not only to stay up but to tune in. And he's hoping praise from Cuomo shores up his support among liberals and minorities worried about Clinton's tugging the party to the center.

Keeping to his convention-week routine, Clinton was up early today

to jog in Central Park. He smiled broadly but made no comment as he left his hotel.

He was to continue working on Thursday night's acceptance speech after meeting today with Nelson Mandela, the president of the African National Congress. The South African said on NBC's "Today" program that he was not sure whether he would appear at the convention tonight since any suggestion of favoring the Democrats "would not be altogether desirable for us."

The last bit of party paperwork was wrapped up Tuesday night.

Quashed were platform challenges by vanquished rival Paul Tsongas; overwhelmingly supported was a platform with Clinton's tough language on law and order, welfare reform and willingness to use military force.

Tsongas was speaking tonight, as was former California Gov. Jerry Brown, who rejected a proffered deal of a prime time speaking slot in return for his endorsement of Clinton.

Party leaders crossed their fingers that Brown, as he promised the party chairman, would urge supporters to work for Democratic victory in November.

"He's a formidable contender with a lot of experience and knowledge," said Brown.

It wasn't the endorsement Clinton would like, but it was a far cry from Brown's "scandal-a-week" label of the bruising primary wars.

Jesse Jackson's blessing was also less than effusive. Still, Jackson used the term "President Bill Clinton" in his occasionally fiery speech and urged his sometime rival: "You must heal and make us better."

Jackson was part of a podium parade of party stars, each with just a few minutes in a crowded, carefully orchestrated made-for-TV event.

"I'd rather be at the All-Star Game," said a placard inside Madison Square Garden, a reminder that on this night the Democrats competed not only with voter alienation but with the national pastime.

President Bush was at the game — and got booed. Ross Perot's search for a running mate was the lead story in a mock edition of The New York Times produced by the folks at Spy magazine. "Perot Set To Pick TV's Oprah Winfrey As Running Mate," reads the headline.

Humor aside, Democrats set about the serious business of trying to convince voters that they have changed for the better, that they represent the voice of activist but frugal government and that they hear the anguish of Americans without jobs, health care, or schools and decent streets.

To make the case, some voters

spoke to the convention by satellite, another successful high-tech gimmick.

Primary rival Tom Harkin mixed praise of Clinton with his favorite nickname for the president: "George Herbert Hoover Bush."

Joining in was the last Democrat to live at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. "There is life after the White House" was Jimmy Carter's message — for Bush.

The platform dealings were perfunctory; not so the stories of AIDS that followed.

Clinton adviser Bob Hattoy openly discussed his AIDS. "I don't want justice," he said.

Elizabeth Glaser brought tears to many in the hall recounting the legacy of the 7-year-old daughter she lost to AIDS. "I am here tonight because I may not survive four more years of leaders who say they care — but do nothing," she said.

In another unusual twist, six Republican women got time on a podium that many Democratic delegates can barely see from their Garden seats, let alone visit. They came to say Clinton would get their votes because of Bush's opposition to legalized abortion.

"We have not abandoned our party," Pennsylvania's Kathy Taylor said. "George Bush has abandoned us."

Platform reaffirms support for abortion rights

NEW YORK (AP) — Democrats highlighted their abortion-rights stand Tuesday night with an extraordinary convention appearance by six Republican women who said they'll be voting for Bill Clinton this fall.

"We have not abandoned our party. George Bush has abandoned us," Kathy Taylor of Hershey, Pa., said in an address to convention delegates.

Taylor was flanked by five colleagues, from California, Oregon, Rhode Island and New Jersey, whom she said would also vote Democratic this fall. "We do not stand alone," she said.

Amid repeated bursts of cheers and applause, Taylor accused Bush of forming "an unholy political alliance with the most extreme anti-choice interest groups in America. ... This administration has taken the Republican Party away from its principles and down the path of political expedience, and we will not follow."

Even as Clinton forces scheduled time for Taylor to speak, they were refusing to give her Democratic governor — Robert Casey of Pennsylvania — a few minutes of podium time to air his anti-abortion views.

"There's no room," Clinton communications director George Stephanopoulos said when asked why Casey was denied time.

Casey's second request to speak was rebuffed Tuesday by the convention parliamentarian. "The gag rule lives," Casey said. "So much for open debate and discussion. A litmus test has been imposed on the convention. It's not right and it's not democratic."

The abortion speech came after delegates voted noisily to adopt a 1992 platform that mirrors Clinton's trademark mix of tradition and change, and strongly reaffirms the party's support for abortion rights.

Casey was among 35 signatories in a full-page New York Times ad Tuesday against "abortion on demand." Other prominent Democrats included former New York Gov. Hugh Carey, and Sargent and Eunice Shriver.

But Casey has few fellow travelers at the convention aside from delegates from heavily Roman Catholic Puerto Rico, who sat quietly during an enthusiastic abortion-rights floor demonstration. Convention spokesman Bill Carrick said fewer than a fifth of delegates dissent from the party position.

Republicans who favor abortion rights are trying to change their platform's call for a constitutional

amendment outlawing the procedure. But it's unclear how far they'll get at the GOP convention next month in Houston.

The Democratic platform adopted Tuesday reiterates the party's long-time support for civil rights, women's rights and gay rights in addition to abortion rights. But in other ways it reflects Clinton's concerted attempt to temper his party's liberal image.

Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, co-chairman of the 186-member platform committee, described the document as a departure.

"It charts a new direction for the Democratic Party," he said. "This platform contains bold, new ideas that combine our core values with the economic realities of the 1990s."

The Democrats this year are stressing general economic growth rather than programs for specific groups. They pledge to uphold law and order and limit welfare to two years. They endorse the use of military force in

certain circumstances. They call business "a noble endeavor."

And they specifically disavow parts of their past.

"We reject both the do-nothing government of the last 12 years and the big government theory that says we can hamstring business and tax and spend our way to prosperity," the platform says, and urges disaffected Democrats to take another look at their party.

As Tsongas had predicted, all four of his economic planks were defeated. Three lost on voice votes: a 5-cent annual gas tax increase, a cap on federal spending including entitlements and a broad capital gains tax cut. A fourth plank, to postpone middle-class tax relief supported by

Clinton, was defeated 2,173 to 926 on a roll call vote.

The perfunctory debate was another example of Clinton's iron control of the convention. Tsongas, the former Massachusetts senator, agreed several weeks ago to endorse Clinton and forgo putting his own name in nomination, in exchange for Clinton's help in getting his ideas to the floor.

Another losing candidate, former California Gov. Jerry Brown, came to the table with a laundry list of proposals, including limits on congressional terms and campaign contributions. But platform drafters rejected most of Brown's ideas and he did not cut a deal to get any of them to the floor.

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Food

Cold summer soup plus hot day equals refreshment for guests

By Marialisa Calta

My first introduction to cold soup came at a party many years ago, when the hostess served up a "vichyssoise" made with instant mashed potatoes and evaporated milk. It tasted like ... well, like instant mashed potatoes and evaporated milk. It was a long time before I found the idea of a cold soup appealing.

But heat exhaustion can be a real motivator. Faced with guests one July evening in my un-air-conditioned apartment in Washington, D.C., a blender gazpacho saved the meal. (I've since learned that gazpacho need not be tomato red but can be white; it can also be made with meat.)

I've found a recipe for minted pea soup, cucumber soup, melon soup, strawberry soup, plum soup, sour cherry soup, cauliflower soup, broccoli soup — it's gotten to the point where I think I know how to make more cold soups than hot ones.

My children think the idea of cold soup is funny, like hot ice cream or roasted watermelon. Some grown-ups find it odd, too, which may be a latent reaction to the 1960s, when food started to get trendy. But just think of cold soup as an act of kindness to summer guests.

Two well-traveled writers, Jeffrey Alford and his wife, Naomi Duguid, tell me that, in Thailand, guests are offered showers before eating. The greeting "Ap nam?" ("Have you showered?") is apparently as ubiquitous among the hospitable Thais as "Kin khao?" ("Have you eaten rice?"), the equivalent in America of "How can I make you feel at home?"

A cold soup may not be as refreshing as a shower, but it's the least one can do for a friend or family member on a hot summer day.



Refresh summer guests with a chilled mint pea soup.

(New England Culinary Institute)

For fresh peas, 3 to 5 minutes for frozen.

Strain the soup, separating solids and liquid. In a food processor or blender, puree the solids with 1 cup of the cooking liquid. Pass this puree through a sieve into a large bowl. Gradually stir in the rest of the cooking liquid, mixing well.

Add yogurt, pepper, mint and additional salt to taste. Let cool to room temperature. Cover and refrigerate until well-chilled, at least 6 hours, or overnight. Stir and adjust seasonings, if necessary, and garnish with mint before serving.

Yield: 8 servings.
• Recipe adapted by Martha Smilie, student, New England Culinary Institute, Essex, Vt., from "Feasts," by Leslie Newman (HarperCollins, 1990).

CHILLED MINT PEA SOUP

- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 cup onion, finely chopped
- 2 heads bibb lettuce, coarsely torn or shredded
- 6 cups tiny tender peas, thawed if frozen
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon coarse (kosher) salt
- 1/4 cup white wine
- 3 cups chicken stock
- 3 cups water
- 1 cup plain yogurt
- 2 tablespoons fresh mint, finely chopped
- 1/4 teaspoon ground pepper
- mint for garnish

In a large, heavy saucepan, melt the butter over moderate heat. Add the onions and cook slowly, stirring, until softened but not browned, 8 to 10 minutes. Add the lettuce and turn in the butter for a minute for two, just until wilted.

Add the peas, sugar, salt, wine, chicken stock and water. Bring to a boil over high heat; reduce the heat to moderate, cover and simmer until the peas are very tender (8 to 10 minutes

FRESH TOMATO SOUP

- 4 pounds fresh, ripe tomatoes, peeled and quartered
- 1 tablespoon fresh sage, minced
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme, minced
- 1 teaspoon fresh marjoram, minced
- 1 tablespoon fresh savory, minced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons onion, minced
- 2 fresh sage leaves for garnish (optional)

Combine all ingredients except minced onion and garnish in a large saucepan. Bring just to a boil and remove from heat. Press through food mill or sieve. Stir in onion. Chill.

Garnish with sage leaves and blossoms, if using.

Yield: 6 to 8 servings.
• Recipe From "The Sage Cottage Herb Garden Cookbook" by Dorry Baird Norris (Globe Pequot Press, 1991).

CURRIED VICHYSOISE

- 1 medium clove garlic, peeled and minced
- 1 medium onion, peeled and minced
- white part of 1 large leek, rinsed and minced
- 1 quart chicken stock
- 1-1/2 tablespoons curry powder
- 1-1/2 pounds russet potatoes, peeled, cups half-and-half
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 2 salt and ground white pepper
- 2 hot red pepper sauce
- 4 teaspoons chives, minced

In a 4-quart soup kettle, combine garlic, onion, leek, chicken stock and curry powder. Heat to boiling, cover and simmer 6 to 8 minutes.

Shred potatoes and transfer to a large strainer or colander. Rinse thoroughly with cold water to remove excess starch. Drain, and add potatoes to simmering liquid and cook until vegetables are very soft, about 40 minutes.

In a food processor or blender, puree the hot soup mixture, 2 cups at a time, until smooth. With motor on, pour in 1 cup of the half-and-half and blend until smooth. Transfer to a large bowl. Repeat procedure with remaining soup mixture and half-and-half, until entire mixture is blended and transferred to the large bowl.

Chill at least 2 hours or overnight. Season chilled soup with lemon juice, salt, pepper and hot pepper sauce to taste. Serve in chilled soup bowls and garnish with chives.

Yield: 8 to 10 servings.
• Recipe from "Dinner Party," by Jane Freiman (Harper & Row, 1990). Freiman notes that vichyssoise originated neither in Paris nor Vichy — nor in France! — but in New York in the 1930s, created by the celebrated French chef, Louis Diat.
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Set up teen dieter for weight loss success

The emotional roller coaster ride we call adolescence is moving slower these days, weighed down by increased obesity among kids aged 12 to 17 over the past 20 years. According to a study in the *American Journal of Diseases and Children*, 80 percent of these overweight teens will stay that way as adults, setting themselves up for health problems such as hypertension, diabetes and heart disease. And while most of the nation's overweight teens are female, adolescent boys weigh fourteen pounds more than their counterparts did in 1983.

What can parents do? The Weight Watchers organization, which offers programs specially designed for teens, says it's crucial to first understand the underlying cause behind the weight gain; is it genetics, depression, boredom? At this time in life, unhealthy eating habits are usually triggered by the intense pressures brought on by adolescence — the need to fit in, self-consciousness about a changing body, and the fear of growing way from parents.

It's important for parents to note that healthy eating is crucial during adolescence for both sexes. Help make this transitional time a smoother ride by following these suggestions from Weight Watchers:

• Offer praise, not criticism: Research has shown that positive

reinforcement is the best way to influence behavior. If a teen loses even one pound, compliment him or her. The better someone feels about himself/herself, the easier it is to lose weight.

• Eliminate the power struggle. The parent who tries to force a teen to stay on a diet (by locking the refrigerator door, for example) will only create resentment, and ultimately fail.

• De-junk the kitchen. No matter how strong one's willpower, tempting goodies will play havoc with a vulnerable teen. Non-dieting family members can eat whatever they want outside the home.

• Offer a creative outlet. Give your teen a diary as a gift, and suggest she keep track of what she eats during the day to increase awareness. It's likely that she will start to record other details of her life in the journal, providing a safe harbor for the colliding emotions of adolescence.

• Discourage television viewing. There is a definite link between being overweight and watching television. According to Dr. William Dietz, associate professor of pediatrics at Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston, obesity among adolescents increases 2 percent for each hour they spend watching TV. Part of the problem is the high-calorie snacking that usual-

ly goes hand-in-mouth with TV viewing. One solution would be making sure only healthy, low-calorie snacks are available. The other? Encourage your teen to participate in outside-the-home activities — the school newspaper, cheerleading, or a part-time job if grades are up. An added bonus — confidence will soar as accomplishments pile up.

• Reinforce Fitness. The other side of the weight-control equation is being active. The National Children and Youth Fitness Study found that only half of kids aged 10 to 17 participated in weekly exercise vigorous enough to boost their heart rates to the minimal level needed to maintain aerobic fitness. The American College of Sports Medicine recommends 20-30 minutes of energetic exercise each day for students in all grades. Support fun physical activities that also promote life-long fitness, like bicycling, swimming and running, brisk walking, even playing frisbee.

• Focus on qualities other than the physical. Self-esteem is already fragile during adolescence, and can be easily wounded if a teen is overweight. So look for the positive. Does he play a mean guitar? Is she an accomplished vocalist? Are they getting good grades? Concentrate on achievements and the road to a healthier teen will be paved with smaller obstacles.

Gray Countians recipes reappear in 1992

In 1982, The Gray County Heritage Cookbook was published commemorating the 80th anniversary of the county.

In honor of the 90th anniversary of the county, we reprint three of the recipes which appeared in the 1982 cookbook.

WILD PLUM JELLY

Submitted by Vera Wilbon

Pick and wash one quart of red wild plums. Cover with water and boil for 35 minutes in a large uncovered pot. Let set and cool. (Always leave some juice on plums.) Next, strain 5 1/2 cups of juice off plums. Add one box plus one level tablespoon of Sure-Jel to the juice and stir. Put over high fire and let it come to a rolling boil that you can't stir down for about 3 or 4 minutes. Have 7 1/2 cups of sugar measured. Add sugar gradually to the fruit mixture, stirring constantly. Let it come to another hard boil for 3 or 4 minutes and stir constantly. Then on a low fire for 1 minute. Turn off fire and let stand for 1 minute. Take a spoon and skim off foam on top. Fill sterilized jars.

Be sure to put on tops as you fill

them and screw the lids on tightly. Always use new tops and caps.

BANANA CAKE

Submitted by Lillian Skelly

1/2 cup shortening
1/2 cup sugar
2 eggs, well beater
1-cup chopped English walnuts or pecans
1 cup mashed banana
1 3/4 cups flour, sifted with 1 teaspoon baking powder
4 tablespoons cream
1 teaspoon soda
Cream shortening and sugar and add the well-beaten eggs. Dissolve the soda in cream and add to previous mixture. Stir in the remaining ingredients. Bake in a greased loaf or tube pan in a 350 degree oven for 45 minutes. Or bake in a 2 round layer cake pans for 30 - 40 minutes.

This cake can be served plain or with caramel, chocolate or vanilla frosting. It improves upon standing; the banana flavor is more pronounced after a day or so.

"During World War II, I substituted 1/2 cup honey for 1/2 cup sugar and reduced cream to 3

CHILI CON CARNE PANHANDLE

Submitted by William Harvey Craig, Alanreed

3 lbs. ground beef, venison or jack rabbit, seared until gray in a heavy Dutch oven. Pour off grease. Put meat in a pot big enough to hold a gallon. Recipe makes 3-quarts. Add 15 ounces tomato sauce with enough water to cover meat.

Add to above:
3 heaping tablespoons chili powder
1 tablespoon paprika
1 tablespoon salt
1 tablespoon oregano
1 tablespoon cumin powder
2 medium onions, minced
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 generous dash cayenne powder

Simmer 1 hour and 15 minutes. Add 2 tablespoons hasa marina which adds flavoring and thickening. Cook another 45 minutes. Serve over cooked rice or with side dish of pinto beans.

"My grandfather, William Henry Craig, operated the first telephone exchange in Alanreed, from 1915 - 1942.

Food stamp count sets another record

By DIANE DUSTON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The yearlong surge in the number of Americans getting food stamps crept even higher in April with a count that set another record.

The figure of 25.8 million people on food stamps for the month — about one in every 10 Americans — marked an increase of 2.6 million over the same month last year.

It also was 100,000 more than in March, an increase that Agriculture officials said was relatively low compared to the month-to-month jumps the nation has been experiencing.

"Typically, when the weather gets warmer, participation drops off because people get seasonal work," said spokesman Phil Shanholtzer.

The food stamp statistics, released

Tuesday, coincided with a report from the Commerce Department showing a 0.6 percent increase in the government's Index of Leading Economic Indicators, the government's main economic barometer.

Analysts said the modest advance failed to relieve their concerns about the fragility of the economic recovery.

The recession has fueled food stamp applications, says the Agriculture Department, but it says that expansion of the Medicaid program and improvements in making food stamps accessible are also behind the increases in the rolls.

Shanholtzer said the number of people on food stamps climbed slightly all through 1989 and into 1990. It began to shoot up faster in the summer of 1990, with a slight leveling last summer, followed by steady increases since.

"We think the program is doing what it's supposed to do. That's help people in difficult times," said Shanholtzer.

Under the program, maximum benefits for a family of four are \$370 a month. The average benefit per person is \$68 a month.

About 59 percent of the individuals and 65 percent of the households eligible for food stamps were receiving them in 1985, the last year the department surveyed participation. Shanholtzer said another study is under way.

In determining eligibility, the food stamp program allows people deductions for child care and household expenses. To qualify, net income after deductions must be at or below the poverty level, \$1,117 a month for a family of four in the 48 contiguous United States, \$1,396 in Alaska and \$1,285 in Hawaii.

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Lifestyles

Big Brothers/ Big Sisters names Campbell

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
Lifestyles Editor

Martha Campbell took the helm Big Brothers/Big Sisters on April 20.

The Stillwater, Okla. native who earned a bachelor of science degree in family relations and child development with a family services emphasis, comes to the agency with a background of volunteerism.

She served four years as a volunteer with Hospice of Pampa. Three of those four years were as a member of the executive board.

Through Junior Service League of Pampa, Campbell was a member of the Department of Human Services volunteer board, a United Way volunteer and a library reading program volunteer. She offered time at Coronado Hospital also.

Campbell said that while Big Brothers/Big Sisters has 10 functioning matches between children and adults, 10 children and 10 adults are waiting for the perfect "big" or "little" to come along.

"We match the right volunteer with the right child," she said, "or it doesn't work out."

While the agency uses same sex matches between individuals, couples matched with a child are also possible.

"Especially for little girls, a couple match might be particularly beneficial," Campbell said.

Extensive interviewing is part of the matching program. It is the goal of BB/BS to match children of single parent homes with



Martha Campbell

same sex adults who share common interests and goals.

"It is a good program. We have kids who need the program for a number of different reasons. We have kids from underprivileged backgrounds and kids from very stable backgrounds. Economics don't come into this," she said.

Three to five hours per week are required of the adult volunteer, so some do more and a few do less.

"I think sometimes people are a little wary of getting involved because of the time. The things you do normally, you can do with a child," Campbell explained.

One of Campbell's goals is to implement a mentoring program for children, utilizing business

people as tutors for students.

"I think that would be a good way to get volunteers into the program and let kids find out about the program," Campbell explained.

The agency is not designed to meet the needs of children with serious emotional problems, Campbell said. However, she is equipped to refer the child to an appropriate agency for assistance.

While BB/BS is generally thought of as a social service agency designed to benefit children from single family homes, Campbell sees it as more than that. She said, "I have some big brothers and big sisters who for them this is a part of their life. It's not just for the kid. They get a lot back."

Tale of a dog named Sex will set tongues wagging

DEAR ABBY: I have enjoyed your column for many years, so I'm sending you something your readers might enjoy. It is a birthday card I just received. I hope you like it.

A.D. BRADLEY,
STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

DEAR A.D. BRADLEY: Like it? I loved it. Thanks for a dandy day-brightener. Readers, this is it:

When I went to the City Hall to renew my dog's license, I told the clerk I wanted a license for Sex. He said, "I'd like one, too!"

Then I said, "But this is a dog." He said he didn't care what she looked like. Then I said, "You don't understand. I've had Sex since I was 9 years old." He winked at me and said, "You must have been quite a kid."

When I got married and went on my honeymoon, I took my dog with me. I told the hotel clerk I wanted a room for my wife and me, and a special room for Sex. He said, "You don't need a special room for Sex. As long as you pay your bill, we don't care what you do."

I said, "Look, you don't seem to understand. Sex keeps me awake at night."

The clerk said, "Funny, I have the same problem."

Well, one day, I entered Sex in a contest, but before the competition began, the dog got loose and ran away. Another contestant asked me why I was just standing there, looking disappointed. I told him I had planned to have Sex in the contest. He said, "Wonderful! If you sell tickets, you'll clean up!"

"But you don't understand," I said. "I want to have Sex on TV." He said, "They already have that on cable. It's no big deal anymore."

Well, my wife and I decided to

separate, so we went to court to fight for custody of the dog.

I said to the judge, "Your honor, I had Sex before I was married." The judge said, "The court is not a confessional. Please stick to the facts." Then I told him that after I was married, Sex left me. He said, "Me, too."

Well, last night Sex ran away again, and I spent hours looking all over town for him. A cop came over to me and asked, "What are you doing in this alley at 4 o'clock in the morning?" I said, "I'm looking for Sex."

My case comes up on Friday.

DEAR ABBY: It was remarkable to learn that a physician thinks veterinarians earn more than he does!

An ovariohysterectomy on a 100-pound dog is about \$100 here in Springfield, Mo. Our local Blue Cross/Blue Shield office reports that the customary physician's fee for the same operation on a woman is \$2,000. The veterinarian's fee includes hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery supplies, etc. The physician's fee does not.

Who is fooling whom?
The veterinarian who retired at

age 43 must have been selling Amway on the side!

DOUG BRYAN, D.V.M., PRESIDENT, SPRINGFIELD, MO., VETERINARY ASSOCIATION

DEAR DR. BRYAN: Most veterinarians choose veterinary medicine because they love animals although their incomes will be about half what physicians who care for people earn. And the work is harder because their patients can't tell them where it hurts.

DEAR ABBY: I feel just terrible. A friend of ours brought a young woman over for us to meet. (His wife died about a year ago.)

She was very loud, talkative and bossy, which was disappointing to us because we knew his first wife, who was a real lady.

The following day, the man came over alone and asked us what we thought of his lady friend. We told him the truth.

Well, you guessed it. They are being married, and we are not invited to the reception!

Were we wrong in being honest? My husband thinks we were.

CANT' LIE

DEAR CANT': Honesty is always the best policy, but you should know that no man wants an honest opinion of a horse after he's bought it.

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Aging justice: Elderly judges bring maturity, experience to bench

By DAVID GERMAIN
Associated Press Writer

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — A 75-year-old Oregon judge is accused of deciding traffic cases by flipping a coin.

The 73-year-old chief justice of the Nevada Supreme Court is asked to quit by colleagues who say he relies on court clerks and outside attorneys to write opinions.

A 69-year-old Florida judge says his state has enough black judges but needs more Jewish judges to work Christmas.

For better or worse, American justice is replete with old judges. Legal experts say it's generally for the better, that the risk of an occasional senile judge is a fair tradeoff for the wisdom of experience.

"In most cases, the older a judge gets, the better he or she becomes at it," said Jeffrey Shaman, a law professor at DePaul University and senior fellow of the American Judicature Society.

Before Presidents Reagan and Bush nominated several younger jurists, the U.S. Supreme Court generally had at least one very old judge. Even so, some of the high court's finest were among the oldest.

Oliver Wendell Holmes served on the Supreme Court until he was 91 and wrote some of his best opinions after age 85, Shaman said. Louis Brandeis served on the court until he was 83, and John Marshall served until he was 80, Shaman noted.

"We've had some great judges who served into their 70s, 80s and 90s and did some of their best work at that age," Shaman said.

Most states have mandatory retirement that requires judges to step down or accept reduced workloads at about age 70. There is no mandatory retirement age for federal judges.

"The system that gives them lifetime appointment is supposed to make them immune to the passions of the time and unaffected by what some executive authority thinks," said Martin Adelman, criminal justice chairman of the New York State Bar Association. "The flip side of the coin is you get these kinds of questions about age and infirmity."

Many federal judges, such as U.S. District Court Judge John Elfvin of Buffalo, go on senior status at about age 70, allowing them to take on fewer cases. Elfvin has been a federal judge since 1975.

Now 74, he was at the center of a stormy liability lawsuit over the 1971 Attica prison uprising. During the trial, attorneys on both sides and even Elfvin's superior sharply criticized him.

One week into jury deliberations, Elfvin left for a 3 1/2-week Caribbean vacation. He turned the case over to a federal magistrate and tried to monitor deliberations from Barbados through daily conference calls with attorneys and jurors.

The calls were hindered by bad phone connections. Attorneys and court observers joked that Elfvin was running a "dial-a-judge" hot line from a beach chair.

"It's all lampoonery," Elfvin said in an interview. "People are having fun with it. It doesn't bother me at all. I know I've done everything properly."

Six days into his vacation, Elfvin agreed to return after he was rebuked by Michael Telesca, chief federal judge for western New York.

Still, attorneys said Elfvin remains strong-willed and thoroughly in control in court.

"I don't think it's attributable to any mental lapse or anything to do with age," said Joseph Heath, an attorney for former Attica inmates

who sued the state.

Elfvin said that there are many judges in their 70s or 80s who remain sharp, while "other people at age 62 can't pull their car anymore."

Judges themselves tend to know when it's time to call it quits, legal experts said.

"I've known lots and lots of judges, and most are pretty fair judges of their competence to continue," said V. Robert Payant, a former Michigan state judge and dean of the National Judicial College in Nevada.

But there are occasional lapses in judicial decorum by elderly judges:

— Last year, the Oregon state Commission on Judicial Fitness and Disability accused Judge Ralph Currin, 75, of deciding traffic cases by flipping a coin. Currin has since retired.

— Earlier this year, three justices of the Nevada Supreme Court urged 73-year-old Chief Justice John Mowbray to retire, claiming he was no longer mentally fit. Critics said Mowbray relied on clerks and outside attorneys to write his opinions. Mowbray has not retired.

— Judicial authorities in Florida are considering a reprimand against Judge John Santora, 69. Santora has been accused of making racist comments about blacks and Jews, including suggesting that Florida appoint more Jewish judges to work Christmas.

Such cases are rare, said George Kuhlman, ethics counsel for the American Bar Association.

Kuhlman said his great-uncle, Charles McLaughlin, was President Franklin Roosevelt's first appointee to a federal judgeship in the 1930s. McLaughlin served until 1980 and was in his 90s when he stepped down, Kuhlman said.

"His opinions were not getting reversed very often," Kuhlman said.

Planning a garden for one or two

By GEORGE BRIA

POUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP) — In vegetable gardening, nature is kind to old folks. We don't need much space. And a little know-how goes a long way.

At a time in life when you usually have only a spouse to think about, or just yourself, a few seeds can fill a whole season and provide plenty for the freezer, too. What is known as "succession" planting — sowing every couple of weeks — makes for a smart senior gardener.

Here are lessons for younger gardeners, too. One of the commonest surprises of first-time gardeners is to be hit by a jumbo harvest. You put in, say, "only" six zucchini plants, and all of a sudden zucchini are overrunning your yard like the birds in Alfred Hitchcock's movie.

Ever try to give a neighbor your extra zucchini? The second time? One of the wonders of creation is the number of zucchini you can harvest from a single plant. And the same goes for tomatoes.

Of course, if you've got a family of six, you plan generously, but then you almost need a farm. This truth is brought home to us oldsters when the children and grandchildren pay a visit. The corn and beans that were to have lasted us a while disappear in one sitting.

By and large, however, if you've just retired or are planning to, and

vegetable gardening looks attractive, you can think small and still have a nutritious, and delicious pastime. A 10-by-10-foot plot judiciously exploited can go far for two people.

Whenever you can, you should use the wisdom of the skyscraper builders and grow vertically. Get bean varieties that climb on poles or trellises instead of the bush kind that gobble up your real estate. That leaves you room on the ground for greens like lettuce.

Visiting some gardens, I'm amazed at long rows of lettuces all enjoying simultaneous maturity. The sight is orderly and pleasant, but are these people in the restaurant business? All a couple needs at one time are two or three leaf lettuces. Some varieties produce for many days from the same plant.

In my country garden 50 miles north of New York City I've got plenty of space and keep lettuce going nearly the whole year round — but only a little at a time. I start it indoors under lights.

I do grow shell beans all at once, eating some fresh and freezing the rest. High in protein, shell beans are one of the healthiest foods a nutrition-conscious oldie can grow, and they also freeze better than most vegetables. If you've got a sunny corner to plant pole limas, the same goes for them.

As everybody knows nowadays,

broccoli is regarded as even better for your health than beans. Broccoli is ideally suited for a space-conscious gardener, since only a few plants will produce all summer long and deep into the autumn frosts. First you get the big central heads and then the little heads, or florets, will keep coming.

Also rich nutritionally, peppers are a good crop for oldsters. Like broccoli, sweet peppers can be eaten raw as well as cooked. They don't need a lot of space and they continue bearing.

Asparagus needs space, but not as much as might be imagined. I put in a 10-by-15-foot patch of 16 roots more than 20 years ago that now gives me some 700 spears per season, late April to late June. This harvest is now far beyond our needs, and I give much of it to my son and his family, who live nearby. If I were to start a patch now, I figure six roots would be plenty for me and my wife.

I'm sure three or four tomato plants would be plenty for us, but this wonderful vegetable — always tops among American gardeners — keeps luring me on. This year I'm growing nine plants. Two of them are my favorite, Yellow Pear, and the other seven are all different kinds. But I've learned not to try to give the surplus away. As usual, I expect they'll end up in my homemade spaghetti sauce.

Tech offers master's level work

Practicing engineers in West Texas can pursue an interdisciplinary master of engineering degree or earn continuing education credits via videotaped courses being offered by Texas Tech University's College of Engineering.

Beginning this fall, the graduate-level courses will feature recordings of actual on-campus classes, said John Borrelli, associate dean of the college of engineering. The videotaped courses will be available only to students who are not enrolled in on-campus classes. The video program replaces a previous grant-driven program that had allowed faculty members to teach the courses on location throughout West Texas.

Participating students will use a toll-free telephone number and a fax number consultations with faculty. Exams will be arranged and supervised. Students will be expected to have access to a personal computer and modem so that they can access the Texas Tech Library to complete research projects.

Four courses will be offered in the fall. Eventually, all required degree courses and selected electives will

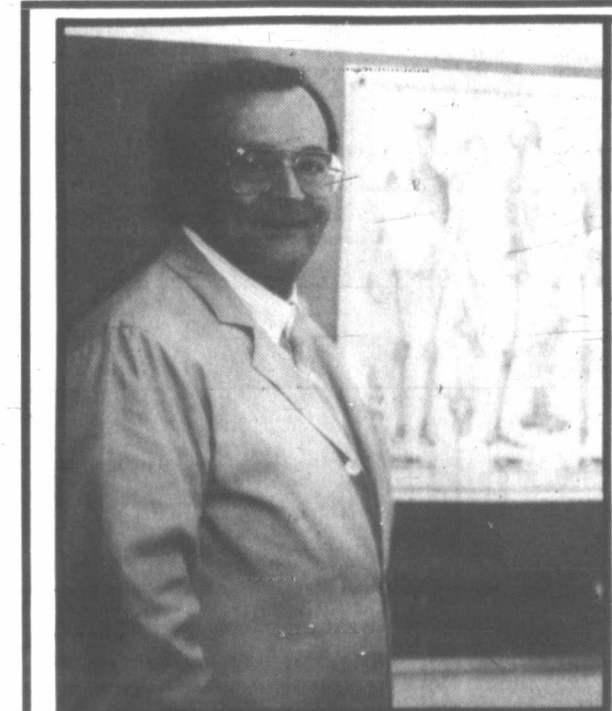
be available, Borrelli said. The professional quality videotapes will be produced in consultation with Lubbock's public television station KTXU in a special classroom laboratory in the Civil Engineering Building.

Students must meet Texas Tech's regular admission requirements, although registration can be completed by mail. Students pursuing the non-thesis degree program must complete the required 36 semester hours within nine calendar years. Leveling courses may be required.

Fall course offerings are "Utilization of Wastewater on Land," "Groundwater Hydrology," "Advanced Chemical Engineering Techniques" and "Foundations of Computer Science I."

Pre-registration before Aug. 7 is preferred, but registration will continue without late charges until Aug. 28.

For more information or for applications and registration material, call Borrelli at (806) 742-3451; or write to John Borrelli, associate dean, college of engineering, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas 79409-3103.



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CORONADO HOSPITAL FRANK VINCENTI, M.D. Orthopedics

Dr. Vincenti, who trained at Scott and White Clinic, says that Pampa offers as outstanding orthopedic services. The surgeons and administration at Coronado Hospital strive to maintain the state of the art equipment at the hospital. Good examples are the arthroscopic equipment and the recently acquired "ALTA" system for the care of complex fractures about the knee.

"Doctors who practice in smaller communities have the same training and must fulfill the same practice standards as those who practice medicine in larger cities," Dr. Vincenti said. "Famous examples are the May Clinic and the Scott and White Clinic, both located in relatively small towns."

Dr. Vincenti explained that orthopedic surgeons, like other physicians, must undergo special training and testing to become "board-certified," which is a designation of quality for physicians. After the orthopedist completes medical school, one-year internship, four to five years residency training in orthopedics, the physician must practice for three years, then sit for an extensive oral and written examination. Also, his surgery records are thoroughly studied by a board of experienced orthopedic surgeons to determine his competency.

As a board-certified orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Vincenti provides full orthopedic services for children and adults, including hand surgery, arthritis surgery, arthroscopic surgery, joint replacement and fractures. As a long time team physician, he also is very interested in treating sports injuries, traumas, and industrial injuries.

Patients wishing an appointment should call Dr. Vincenti's office in Pampa at 806-665-1400

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Sports



IN THE ROUGH

BY RICK CLARK

Barry Terrell heads list of champions at P.C.C.

The Annual Men's Club Championship was held during the weekend at the Pampa Country Club.

With the winds howling on Saturday, scores were a bit higher than usual, but a few golfers managed to conquer the elements and turn in fine rounds.

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT: 1. Barry Terrell, 73-71-144; 2. Frank McCullough, 75-74-149. **LOW NET:** 1. Merle Terrell, 70-66-136; 2. Roy Don Stephens, 71-71-142.

FIRST FLIGHT: 1. John Allen, 82-71-153; 2. Harold Salmon, 79-79-158; **LOW NET:** 1. Ronnie Wood, 69-69-138; 2. Cody Allison, 76-71-147.

SECOND FLIGHT: 1. Joe Cree, 81-79-160; 2. Randy Holt, 83-79-162; **LOW NET:** 1. Richard Mackie, 69-70-139; 2. Joe Austin, 75-69-144.

THIRD FLIGHT: 1. Ralph Baker, 83-81-164; 2. Joe Manzanaras, 89-81-170; 3. Mark Mems, 85-89-174; **LOW NET:** 1. Sam White, 71-72-143; 2. Mark McVay, 74-72-146; 3. Howard Reed, 83-65-148.

FOURTH FLIGHT: 1. Kenneth Gage, 83-84-167; 2. Don Russell, 83-90-173; 3. Dic Henley, 88-90-178. **LOW NET:** 1. Jay Holt, 73-68-141; 2. Greg Harrison, 74-71-145.

FIFTH FLIGHT: 1. Randy Hall, 94-88-182; 2. Durwood Dunlap, 94-92-186; 3. Todd Riithaler, 95-94-189. **LOW NET:** 1. Jim Honderich, 72-72-144; 2. Bob Curry, 74-76-150; 3. David Kaul, 74-78-152.

The Senior Champion was Harold Salmon with a 158. Congratulations to all the club champions!

In the Methodist Scramble held on Friday evening at the Pampa Country Club, seven of 12 teams tied for first place with a score of 33. After a scorecard playoff, first place went to Jennie Reynolds, Phil Vanderpool, Wyatt Lemons and Buddy "Do nothing on the golf course" Lamberson. Second place went to the team of Carlton Freeman, R.W. Curry, L.C. Hudson and Calvin Lacy.

The Hidden Hills Senior Golf Association held a 3-club and putter tournament. First place went to Charlie Harper with an 83, and second went to Bob Swope with an 83. The winner was decided by a scorecard playoff. In the low net division, first place went to Buddy Epperson with a 66, and second to Harvey Malone with a 67. Way to go, Seniors!

In the Hidden Hills Thursday Night Scramble, first place was taken by the team of Mike Soukop, Jim Stroud, Eldon Maxwell and Ronnie Stokes with a 31. Second went to John Darby, Dick Abbott, Bob Brandon and Pat Aderholt with a 32.

Hidden Hills Junior Tournament results...Ages 12 & 13, first place went to Josh McCoy of Perryton with a 70. Age 14 & 15 winner was Matt Watson of Amarillo with a 74. Age 16-18 winner was Cory Reneau of Borger with a 72. In the Girls 12-14 division, Susan Sowers of Lubbock took top honors with an 82. Age 15-18 went to Nancy Davis of Wheeler with a 89.

The Third Annual Pampa News City Championship will be held at Hidden Hills, Aug. 8-9. Tournament format will be 36 holes of medal play. Entry fee is \$45. Entry fee does not include cart. To enter, contact David Teichmann at Hidden Hills. The deadline for entry is Aug. 6.

GOLFING FEATS...
PAMPA COUNTRY CLUB...Macy Davis drove No. 3 and 2-putted for a birdie. She ended up shooting a 39. Dennis Jordan made an eagle-3 on No. 18. He holed out from 100 yards. Carla Allen shot 98, her best ever. John Allen shot 71, his best ever. Way to go, John and other golfers!

Until next week, SEE YA' IN THE ROUGH.

ALL-STAR GAME American League rolls, 13-6

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Hey, junior! Great game! Ken Griffey Jr., Cal Ripken Jr. and Sandy Alomar Jr., three baseball brats who grew up in ballparks, started a record-shattering show Tuesday night as the American League embarrassed the Nationals 13-6 in the All-Star game.

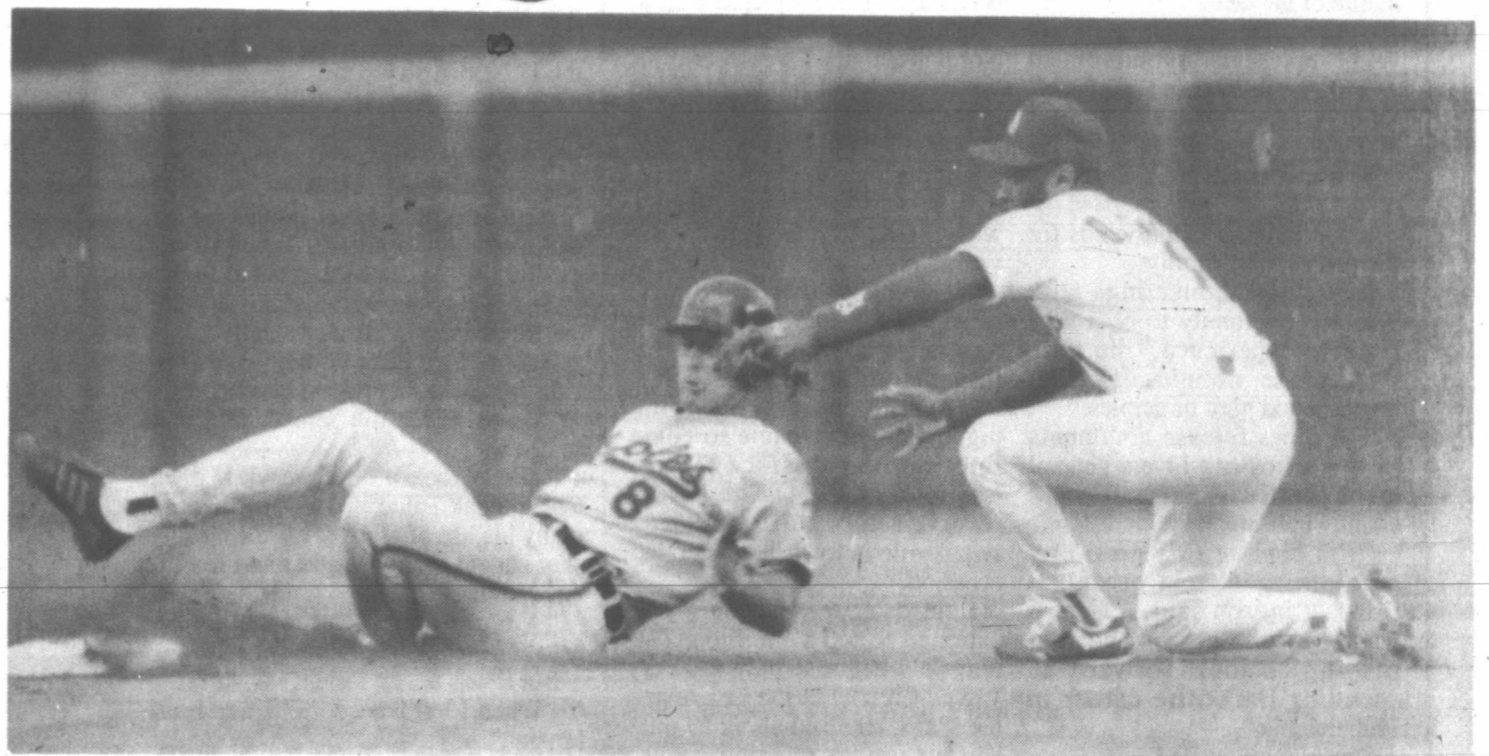
The Americans rapped seven straight singles, capped by hits from Ripken, Griffey and Alomar, during a four-run first inning to set one mark, and battered Tom Glavine for nine hits to establish another. Eventually, helped by a home run and double from Griffey, it added up to a record fifth straight victory and a record-tying run total for the AL.

The American League — the junior circuit, an appropriate nickname in this case — also set an All-Star record with 19 hits, two more than the AL gathered in 1954.

Things went so well all night long for the Americans that even a pitcher, Cleveland's Charles Nagy, added to the hit total. Nagy, wearing a Texas Rangers' batting helmet in his first major-league at-bat, beat out an infield chopper in the three-run eighth for the first hit by an AL pitcher in the All-Star game since Ken McBride in 1962.

"No, I wasn't prepared to bat," Nagy said. "Sandy left his helmet out there for me, but it was the wrong size."

That hit came long after President George Bush had left the ballpark. The president attended his second consecutive All-Star game and was roundly booed as he accompanied Hall of Famer Ted Williams onto the field for the ceremonial first pitch.



National League shortstop Ozzie Smith tags out the American League's Cal Ripken Jr., during the second inning of the All-Star game in San Diego Tuesday.

Griffey, of Seattle, was the best of all the juniors, going 3 for 3, driving in two runs and scoring twice. That won him the MVP award, just like his dad, Ken Sr., in 1980, and they became the only father-son combination to homer in All-Star play.

"It was kind of weird, when I hit it, I didn't think it was going," Griffey, 22, said of his first home run in his third All-Star game. "When it went out, I thought of my dad hitting one in 1980."

"I was at home when he hit it, sitting in the living room," Junior said. "I called it before he hit it. I never thought I'd do the same."

Well, maybe. Then again, maybe not. Griffey Sr. planned to attend

the game, but did not because he hurt himself in Monday's old-timers' game. So while his son starred, he sat alone in a hotel room with an ice pack on his knee.

"My first thought was that he had told me earlier he wanted to win the MVP," dad said. "Just about everything he talks about that he wants to do, he does."

NL manager Bobby Cox also had a flashback while watching the young son. "I saw Ken Griffey Jr. at Moeller High School in Cincinnati. He was the best high school prospect I've ever seen," Cox said.

"I just got lucky getting three hits," Griffey Jr. said. "I didn't even think about the MVP award until later when

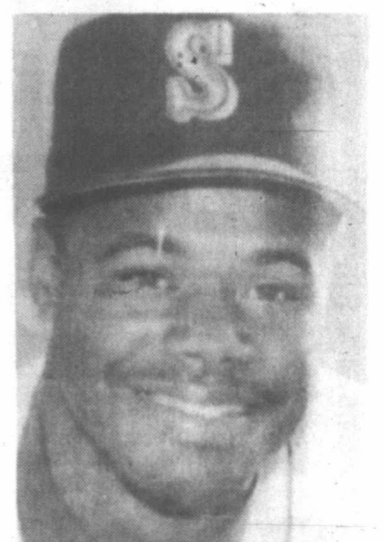
Mark McGwire came up and said something."

McGwire contributed a two-run single in the first inning — which matched the All-Star record for most runs in the opening frame — and Ruben Sierra's two-run homer capped a four-run burst in the sixth off Bob Tewksbury of St. Louis that made it 10-0.

Travis Fryman of Detroit drove in Nagy with a single in the eighth and Roberto Kelly of the Yankees added a two-run double.

The AL's 13 runs tied the record for the most by a team in an All-Star game. The Americans won 13-3 in 1983.

"As a joke before the game I said 'Let's get 15 or 20 hits tonight,'" AL manager Tom Kelly said. "I didn't think we'd do it."



Ken Griffey Jr. won the MVP award after collecting three hits including a home run.

Pampa falls to Dumas in Ruth finals

By MARK SPENCER
Sports Editor

A well-rested Dumas team took advantage of a weary-legged Pampa pitching staff and rolled to a 10-4 championship victory in the finals of the Babe Ruth 14- to 15-year old District I Baseball Tournament Tuesday at Optimist Park.

With the championship, Dumas advances to the West Texas State Babe Ruth Tournament in Andrews starting on July 25. Pampa's season is over.

Coming into last night's game, the Pampa All Stars planned for a long night but in a different way than they experienced against Dumas.

Pampa had fought back through the losers bracket of the five-team tournament after losing to Dalhart in Saturday's



Dumas catcher Brandon Turner looks to the umpire after tagging out Pampa's Dwayne Nickleberry.

second round. It needed to defeat Dumas twice on Tuesday to clinch the championship.

by a combined 35-7 score and needed to defeat Pampa only once to advance in Babe Ruth postseason play.

"When you come through the loser's bracket, you put a strain on your pitching staff," Pampa Coach Bob Finney said. "This was our fifth game in the tournament and their third. That's the advantage of staying in the winner's bracket."

If not for one inning, Pampa had a chance of forcing a second championship game.

That inning, the second, saw Dumas bat around in the order and score seven runs on only two hits. Dumas benefitted from five walks, a Pampa error and a timely two-RBI double by first baseman Parker Lites.

Despite the seven-run Dumas second inning, Pampa showed signs of life through-

out the game and almost broke through Dumas' grip on the lead at one point.

Pampa trailed 7-0 but whittled their opponents lead to four runs in the top of the third after first baseman Jeff McCormick lined an RBI single to left and scored on catcher Ross Watkins triple.

Watkins made the Dumas lead 7-3 after Pampa third baseman Jeff Warren's grounder to shortstop was misplayed.

After Dumas scored an unearned run in the fifth, Pampa's Hank Gindorf doubled in the top of the sixth and scored four batters later on a sacrifice fly by Brian Martindale.

Pampa trailed 8-4 at that point, but Dumas answered with two runs in the sixth off Warren, Pampa's third pitcher of the game.

PHS softball team travels to Midland

By L.D. STRATE
Sports writer

Benny Horton is counting on a lot of high school girls' softball to be played in the coming years, especially if the sport is approved by the University Interscholastic League.

"There's enough interest around the state right now to make girls' softball a UIL sport," said Horton, who helped organize the Pampa Lady Harvesters' program last year. "If it's voted in, there are many high schools in our area that will form teams. This would give our district an opportunity to offer softball in all area schools. It's hoped that this will happen within the next two years."

In the meantime, the Lady Harvesters will take a step up from their intramural league to participate in the United Girls Softball Association Championships this week in Midland.

"Perhaps, we're the only high school in the Texas panhandle with a girls' program. As a result, an affiliation with the UGSA gives Pampa an opportunity to enter a team in the tournament at Midland," Horton said.

Horton, along with another coach, Ade Becker, picked an all-star squad to participate in the tournament, which begins today and runs through Saturday at the



Members of the Pampa High School softball team load the team bus Tuesday for their trip to Midland and the United Girls Softball Association Championships.

UGSA complex in Midland.

All-star team members are Kristen Becker, Rhonda Been, Meredith Horton, Michelle Casados, Veronica Santacruz, Misty Plunk, Jennifer Kidd, Jessica Whitney, Lorrie Fulton, Jill Trollinger, Amy Trusty and Jamie Cenicerros. Rosters were limited to 12 players.

"We've been practicing every day, and we've played two exhibition games," Horton said.

Pampa meets Big Spring in the first game of the round-robin format at 8:30 p.m. Other teams in Pampa's

division include Andrews, San Angelo, Snyder and Sweetwater.

"The two teams with the best records will play for the division championship Saturday," Horton said. "Pampa is competing with cities of similar populations in Division IV, which is an age group of 16- to 19-year-old players."

The championship game is scheduled for 3 p.m. Saturday.

The team left Tuesday morning on the Harvester bus and will be staying at the Midland Holiday Inn Holidayhome.

At the end of the regular season last week, the Lady Harvesters and coaches were honored with a banquet at the Optimist Club meeting room.

Meredith Horton received Most Valuable Player honors for the second year in a row. Jill Trollinger was named Most Valuable Player in the junior varsity division. The MVP's were voted on by the players.

Becker and Pat Montoya shared the Cavalier Trophy by being named Coaches of the Year.

Rangers shine bright during All-Star game

The Texas Rangers contributed heavily to the record-shattering show in Tuesday night's 13-6 American League All-Star Game victory.

Kevin Brown, the first Ranger pitcher to start a mid-summer classic, needed just 10 pitches in the first inning to retire the NL in order. He struck out Ozzie Smith and got Tony Gwynn and Barry Bonds on flyouts.

Jack McDowell took over in the second, and AL manager Tom Kelly let the rest of his staff work one inning each.

Brown leads the majors with 14 victories, but none were this easy.

Ruben Sierra, picked Kelly over teammate Juan Gonzalez as a reserve outfielder, one-handed a two-run homer in the sixth off Bob Tewksbury of St. Louis. That made it 10-0.

Ivan Rodriguez, the only player born in the 1970s to play in an All-Star Game, appeared to have a double in his debut. But the official scorer ruled that Rodriguez's deep fly should have been caught by John Kruk, who was charged with a two-base error.

Things went so well all night long for the Americans that even a pitcher, Cleveland's Charles Nagy, added to the hit total.

And things went so well for the Rangers that Nagy, in his first major-league at-bat, wore — what else? — a Texas Rangers' batting helmet. Brown, pitching on two days'

Harrah may be manager

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers are expected to give interim manager Toby Harrah the job for the rest of 1992 sometime before Thursday's game against the Baltimore Orioles, according to newspaper reports.

General manager Tom Grieve met Tuesday with club president Tom Schieffer and managing general partners George W. Bush and Rusty Rose to discuss the job left vacant when Bobby Valentine was fired last week.

rest, also got to bat. He struck out against Tom Glavine, ending the first inning.

Brown had hoped to get his first major-league at-bat but didn't figure to because he didn't feel his turn would come up until the second or third inning after he had put in his work.

This year's Texas contribution was similar to that of 1989, when winning pitcher Nolan Ryan gave up one hit in two innings and closer Jeff Russell worked some relief.

In 1990, Texas second baseman Julio Franco was named Most Valuable Player after his two-run double led the AL to a 2-0 victory.

Lindros signs for six years with grateful Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Eric Lindros is signed, sealed and delivered — for at least six years. In a printed statement handed out today before a news conference to announce the contract, Philadelphia Flyers president Jay Snider stressed the long-term nature of the deal.

"An initial contract of six years represents a commitment on our part to Eric and our fans," Snider said. "And Eric is also making a commitment ... to the Flyers and the fans of Philadelphia."

Snider also had kind words for the young star's family.

"I found the meetings with Eric and his family to be a very positive experience," he said. "They are people of great integrity and high principles."

The news release comments from Lindros and Flyers general manager Russ Farwell were equally upbeat.

"I'm coming to a great city and joining a great organization," Lindros said. "I can't wait to meet the guys and start playing. I look forward to spending my entire career in Philadelphia."

Farwell was excited.

"He's the most accomplished player of his age ever to enter the NHL," he said. "What we have to do now is build around him and move forward."

The 19-year-old sensation arrived in Philadelphia on Tuesday night, two weeks after an NHL arbitrator upheld a deal which sent him from the Quebec Nordiques to the Flyers.

Lindros said he reached an agreement with the Flyers on Monday night. He wouldn't comment on the contract other than to say he's "real happy" with it and, "I'll be here for six years."

Flyers officials wouldn't disclose terms of the contract prior to a news conference today to introduce Lindros, a 6-foot-5, 225-pound center who is the biggest amateur name to come into the NHL since Mario Lemieux in 1984. The Flyers reserved the ballroom of a swanky downtown hotel for the occasion.

Lindros' first-year salary is expected to top \$2 million. The league's highest-paid player, Wayne Gretzky of the Los Angeles Kings, received about \$3 million last season.

BRITISH OPEN Azinger puts stature at stake

GULLANE, Scotland (AP) — There was Tony Jacklin, his shoulders slumped, unaware his career had been destroyed by Lee Trevino's "give-up" shot on the 17th hole at Muirfield.

That was 20 years ago. On that same hole 15 years later, Paul Azinger snapped his fingers in frustration at a shot he should not have tried.

Memories of Muirfield on the eve of the 121st British Open.

"I never got over it," Jacklin eventually admitted of the 1972 turnaround that boosted Trevino to a second consecutive British Open title.

With Jacklin 20 feet below the cup and looking at a birdie, Trevino took a casual, hasty swipe at a ball in an impossible position atop a sand dune.

"I'd given up," Trevino said. But he holed it for birdie. Jacklin then three-putted for bogey.

"I was never the same again," he said. Azinger took a different view of his loss to Nick Faldo in 1987, a defeat set up by his use of a driver off the tee. The shot caught a cross bunker and led to a bogey-bogey finish.

"A boxer doesn't get tough until he gets knocked down," Azinger said. But it was not an instant revival.

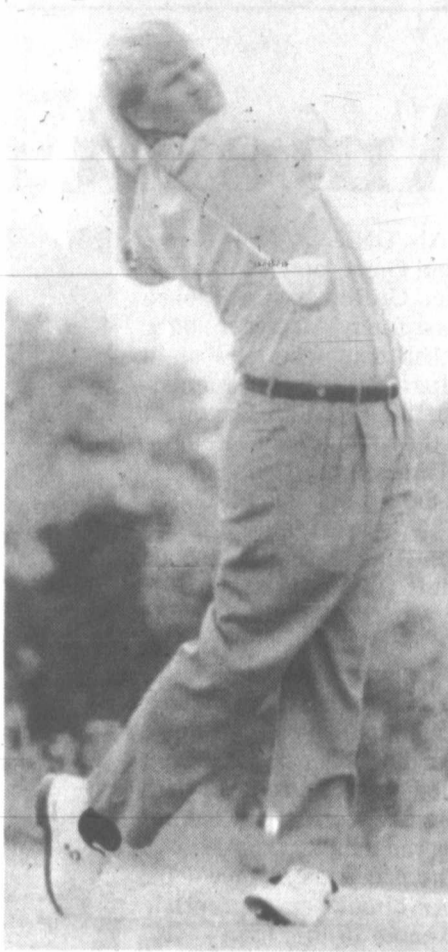
"When I left here in '87 I was heartbroken," he recalled. Almost a year later, a victory at Bay Hill put him back on track.

"It's not like it hurt my career," Azinger said. "I could have looked on it as a one-time chance, but I used it as a measuring stick."

"Before '87 nobody knew who I was. Now I feel I can stack up against the best players in the game today."

Azinger, with a particular affinity for the British style of golf, has a chance to re-affirm his stature in the game in the tournament that begins Thursday.

"I've been playing extremely well for



(AP Photo)

John Daly practices Tuesday for the opening round of the British Open that begins Thursday in Muirfield, Scotland.

the last six weeks," he said, pointing to a final-round challenge in the U.S. Open and a third-place finish a week later.

In the oldest of all golf's tournaments, Azinger faces a 156-man field led by Faldo, and a new wave of talent that has risen to the top of world golf.

They include Americans Fred Cou-

ples and Davis Love III — each the winner of three titles and more than \$1 million already this season — along with Spain's Jose Maria Olazabal and Colin Montgomerie of Scotland.

"That hangover after winning the Masters is over," said Couples, who went into a brief decline after his triumph in April. "I'm not saying things like 'I'm going to win it,' but if I can get off to a good start I'll be in good shape."

And Faldo, exuding the quiet confidence that helped him to two Masters victories and two British Open titles in a four-year span, dubbed Couples as the most likely to succeed among 44 Americans.

"He has the most shots," Faldo said. The ability to play a vast variety of shots — in particular the knock-down, bump-and-run approach so common in Britain and so foreign to many Americans — could be a critical factor in the winds that frequently howl in from the Firth of Forth, rippling the gorse and heather of Muirfield's intimidating rough.

Tom Weiskopf says that factor could be fatal to American hopes. The conditions of the course and weather are such, he predicted, that an American cannot win.

PGA champion John Daly agreed.

"I don't give myself a chance," he said after an exhibition of his wrap-around swing and enormous distance had started a Scots gallery gathered around the practice tee. "It's a new experience."

"It's a different game of golf than I'm used to. It's a learning experience."

Faldo, so well-suited to that game of golf, is heavily favored in the chase for the \$190,000 first prize.

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Briscoe's Brown resigns

Briscoe coach Jerry Brown, who led the Broncos to the regional basketball tournament last season, has resigned, according to Briscoe principal Bob Downs.

Downs said Tuesday that Brown had accepted a similar coaching position in Oklahoma.

Brown's position hadn't been filled yet, Downs said.

"We want to get somebody as soon as possible," Downs said. "We're in the process of checking some people out, and we're hoping to have somebody hired in a week to 10 days."

Brown coached at Briscoe for three years and his 1991-92 Broncos went as far as the regional quarterfinals where they were eliminated by Nazareth. Briscoe finished with a 23-9 record.

U.S. Baseball adds Georgia Tech catcher

MILLINGTON, Tenn. (AP) — Jason Varitek, who was cut from the U.S. Olympic baseball roster last week but stayed around as a bullpen catcher, was named on Tuesday to replace the injured Jason Moler on the 20-man squad for Barcelona.

Varitek, a sophomore from Georgia Tech, was one of five players released last week in the team's final cut. Moler, a junior from Fullerton State, tore and ruptured ligaments in his knee on Sunday in an exhibition game against Korea in Charlotte, N.C.

The final roster for Barcelona had been submitted, so the U.S. Baseball Federation had to petition the U.S. Olympic Committee and the International Olympic Committee to get permission to reinstate Varitek to the roster.

The team is scheduled to leave for Barcelona next week as baseball makes its debut as an official Olympic sport.

The U.S. team's exhibition game against Canada on Tuesday night was canceled by rain. The countries continue the scheduled four-game series Wednesday night in Millington, then play in Louisville on Friday and Philadelphia on Saturday as the U.S. team concludes a 30-game exhibition schedule.

Hornacek isn't Sir Charles

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Jeff Hornacek has no illusions of replacing Charles Barkley and Philadelphia 76ers coach Doug Moe agrees with him.

Hornacek, Tim Perry and Andrew Lang were dealt by the Phoenix Suns to Philadelphia for Barkley last month.

Barkley, a power forward, and Hornacek, a shooting guard, were the key figures in the trade.

Appearing at the 76ers' rookie camp Tuesday, Hornacek was asked an inevitable question: Does he accept the responsibility of replacing a superstar?

"I don't know about responsibility," said the 6-foot-4 Hornacek. "I go out every night and give a full effort. I play as hard as I can, try to do the little things that help win games."

"It's a challenge when you come to a new team, and all three of us like that opportunity to show what we have. Yes, there is some pressure. But you play your style. That's what basketball is all about."

Moe tried to take Hornacek off the spot

"Hornacek is not what you consider a superstar," said Moe, who took over the 76ers shortly before the big trade. "He's just a player who competes. He's like a Fat Lever, but a better shooter. He's a guy with good instincts. You let him do what he wants. This guy is a basketball player."

Hornacek is coming off his best season, leading the Suns in scoring, steals, minutes, free throw percentage and 3-point shooting. He was selected for the All-Star Game.

Hornacek tried to dispel reports that he was unhappy about coming to Philadelphia.

"The initial trade took me by surprise," he said. "It was the first time I had been traded. So, it was a shock."

He said that anything that may have sounded like he didn't want to come to Philadelphia had nothing to do with the city or the organization.

In the long haul, he said, it will be shown that the 76ers got the better of the deal.

"I'm a young 29. I've always kept myself in good shape. I'm more of an outside guy. He (Barkley) hangs around a lot inside. I haven't taken the pounding Charles has taken. I've got plenty of life left."

Barkley, 29, admits he has taken a physical beating said he plans to play only three more years.

Hornacek, who two weeks ago underwent arthroscopic surgery on his left knee, said he expected to be ready for pre-season training camp.

"There was no torn cartilage. There was a little chip that caused irritation. I'll start rehabilitation as soon as I get back to Phoenix."

Major League Baseball

By The Associated Press All Times EDT					Toronto at Seattle, 10:05 p.m. Detroit at Oakland, 10:05 p.m. New York at California, 10:35 p.m.				
AMERICAN LEAGUE					NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division					East Division				
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Toronto	53	34	.609	—	Pittsburgh	49	39	.557	—
Baltimore	49	38	.563	4	St. Louis	44	43	.506	4 1/2
Milwaukee	45	41	.523	7 1/2	Montreal	44	44	.500	5
Boston	42	43	.494	10	New York	42	46	.477	7
New York	42	45	.483	11	Chicago	40	47	.460	8 1/2
Detroit	41	48	.461	13	Philadelphia	38	52	.409	13
Cleveland	36	52	.409	17 1/2	West Division				
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Minnesota	53	34	.609	—	Cincinnati	51	35	.593	—
Oakland	51	36	.586	2	Atlanta	49	37	.570	2
Texas	48	42	.533	6 1/2	San Diego	47	42	.528	5 1/2
Chicago	43	43	.500	9 1/2	San Francisco	43	44	.494	8 1/2
Kansas City	37	50	.425	16	Houston	41	47	.466	11
Seattle	36	53	.404	18	Los Angeles	39	49	.443	13
California	35	52	.402	18	Saturday's Games				
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	Oakland 3, Toronto 1				San Diego 3, Philadelphia 2, 11 innings				
	Seattle 5, New York 3, 12 innings				Pittsburgh 9, Cincinnati 3				
	Minnesota 6, Baltimore 5				Atlanta 3, Chicago 1				
	Milwaukee 5, Kansas City 1				New York 8, Houston 2				
	Texas 5, Cleveland 1				Sunday's Games				
	Boston 3, Chicago 0				Pittsburgh 7, Cincinnati 6, 10 innings				
	California 5, Detroit 4, 10 innings				Atlanta 7, Chicago 4, 10 innings				
	Oakland 8, Toronto 0				Houston 3, New York 1				
	Seattle 7, New York 6				Los Angeles 9, St. Louis 0				
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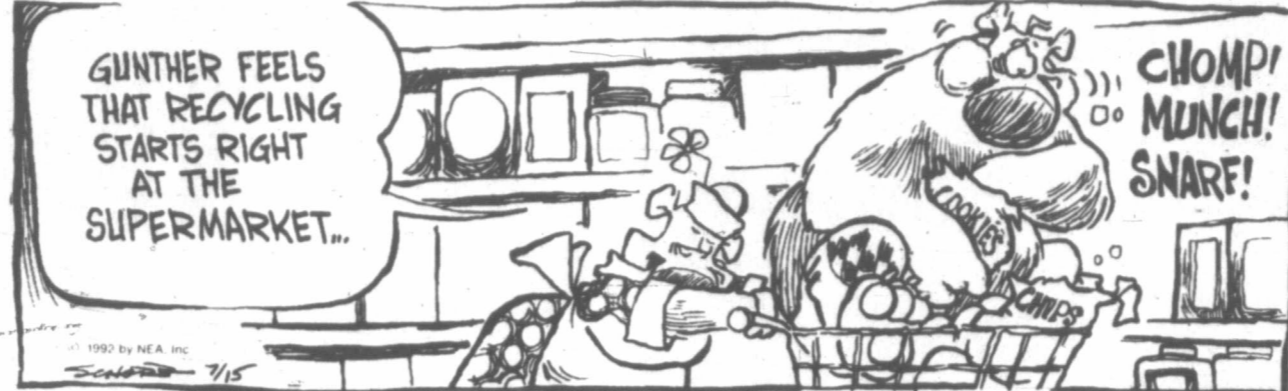
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Whistleblower awarded \$7.5 million in contract padding lawsuit

NEW YORK (AP) — A federal judge awarded a record \$7.5 million Tuesday to a former employee of a defense contractor who came forward with information that the company overbilled the Pentagon by \$77 million.

The fraud settlement is the largest ever under the Justice Department's "whistleblower" lawsuit program, which encourages individuals with inside information to sue when fraud

or other abuses appear likely.

The award to Christopher Urda, 35, of Binghamton, was part of a settlement calling for the current and former owners of the contractor to pay \$55.9 million to settle civil charges it overcharged the military on more than \$1 billion in contracts.

Urda alleged in his civil suit filed in 1989 that the company overbilled the Pentagon by \$77 million by padding

cost estimates on contracts for flight simulators between 1980 and 1988.

"The provisions of the False Claims Act allowing a whistleblower to share in the recovery provided me with both the incentive and the confidence to take on a matter which otherwise would have been too overwhelming for one person to pursue," Urda said in a statement in Wednesday's editions of The New York Times.

The Binghamton-based contractor, now known as CAE-Link Corp., provided flight simulation operations for the U.S. government. It was owned by the Singer Corp. during most of the period cited in the lawsuit and sold in 1988 to CAE Industries Ltd. of Toronto.

Singer has since changed its name to Bicoastal Corp.

Under the settlement approved by

U.S. District Judge Con Cholakis in Albany, the government will receive \$22.2 million from CAE Industries and \$33.7 million from Tampa, Fla.-based Bicoastal.

Last week, a federal grand jury in Binghamton indicted Bicoastal and five former executives at its flight simulation division on criminal charges related to the alleged scheme.

The previous largest fraud settlement by a major government contractor was \$2.7 million awarded last July to a helicopter company employee. The award to Robert C. Ballew, of Fort Worth, Texas, settled an investigation focusing on Stratford, Conn.-based Textron Lycoming's problem-plagued Coast Guard helicopter engines.



The parking lot of Fairview Shopping Center east of Kendallville, Ind., is littered with debris and overturned vehicles in the wake of a tornado that struck the town Tuesday afternoon.

Storm damage litters plains

By The Associated Press

A tornado damaged about 30 buildings and injured at least 25 people in an Indiana town Tuesday as violent weather continued in the Midwest. Flooded creeks receded after leaving 7 feet of water in other parts of Indiana.

Storms Monday were blamed for two deaths and left another person missing, while a tornado heavily damaged a migrant farm workers' camp in Michigan, injuring at least 30 people.

Flooding subsided in southeastern Nebraska after more than 7 inches of rain swelled rivers and filled basements and roads.

In Kendallville, Ind., about 20 miles north of Fort Wayne, a tornado damaged about 30 homes in a subdivision as well as a department store and a grocery Tuesday afternoon, said Alden Taylor, spokesman for the State Emergency Management Agency.

Taylor said 25 people were treated for minor injuries at a hospital and released. Officials searched homes and businesses for others who might be trapped, and other residents of the subdivision were evacuated because of a gas leak, Taylor said.

Thunderstorms poured heavy rain on other parts of the Plains. More than 2 inches of rain fell in Kansas City and Kirksville, Mo., in the 24 hours up to 6 a.m. Tuesday, the National Weather Service said.

At least 16 tornadoes caused scat-

tered damage across northern Ohio on Sunday and Monday. Parts of central and southeastern Ohio were flooded by thunderstorms that dumped more than 6 inches of rain in some areas.

Twisters hit small towns such as Pettisville, which authorities said suffered about \$1.5 million in damage.

In the Akron suburb of Cuyahoga Falls, six businesses were destroyed and 16 were damaged. Mayor Don Robart estimated the damage at \$5 million to \$10 million.

Van Wert County authorities searched for a teen-ager last seen Monday in the Little Auglaize River in western Ohio. Sheriff Stan Owens said the 16-year-old apparently jumped into the river from a raft.

A tornado that tore a five-mile path through southwestern Michigan destroyed 14 mobile homes and damaged 10 houses at a migrant farm workers' camp near Dowagiac, 170 miles southwest of Detroit, said Cass County Sheriff Paul Parrish. He said up to 100 people were driven from their homes.

"Those homes literally twisted up," Parrish said. "One house that was wrapped around a tree had five children in it. It's amazing they suffered only bruises and some cuts by the grace of God."

A twister in Michigan's Van Buren County twisted trees and sent boats flying, but no injuries were reported.

"There are all kinds of wires

down. We've had reports of boats blown upside down and sunk in the lake. One of the boats was found in a tree, one tangled up in wires by a telephone pole," said a sheriff's dispatcher who identified himself only as Dan.

Flooded creeks receded in Indiana after storms dropped as much as 9 inches of rain. Water rose to as much as 7 feet deep in parts of Madison County. More than 100 people were evacuated, said Taylor of the state emergency agency.

"We're worried about the kids who are jumping in the water and swimming. We saw two young boys who were up to their necks in water. We called them out of the water and saw they were on bikes," said Mayor Denny Robinson of Elwood, Ind.

High wind blowing across northeastern Illinois during the night overturned several mobile homes in McHenry County. Two people were slightly injured, said Jeff Brenton of the McHenry County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency.

Bad weather Monday grounded airplanes at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport for three hours.

A man was electrocuted Monday while working on a sump pump at a house in Marion, Ohio, firefighters said. And in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, a 425-foot telephone tower knocked down by a thunderstorm crashed into a gym equipment plant, killing one worker and injuring two others.

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Diver surfaces after record 69 days underwater

KEY LARGO, Fla. (AP) — A diver set a record for living underwater, emerging from a Florida Keys lagoon Tuesday nearly 10 weeks after checking into a "hotel" 30 feet beneath the surface.

Richard Presley, 33, was greeted by his parents when he swam up from the bottom of Emerald Lagoon. He also reacquainted himself with the sky.

"It does look good," Presley said, after removing his dive mask and looking up. "I missed the colors, the sun and all these palm trees."

Presley, who broke the record for underwater habitation by more than nine days, returned to land a new man. He quit smoking and added 10 pounds of muscle with weight training.

He stayed in Jules Undersea Lodge, an underwater "hotel" for divers anchored 65 feet offshore. He and three others went under May 6 as part of a 30-day study produced in conjunction with NASA. The experiment was designed to simulate the isolation that astronauts would experience on long space missions.

One aquanaut had come up May 9 with flu-like symptoms.

When the two others surfaced June 5, Presley stayed behind to set the underwater record. He admitted loneliness made him look to scaly, finned lagoon residents for companionship.

"The fish kind of became my friends," Presley said. "The same fish would come by and remember who I was."

The record for living at the bottom of the sea at ambient pressures had been 59 days, nine hours, and 13 minutes, set by four men in 1969. Unlike the pressurized atmosphere of a submarine, ambient pressures are the same level as the surrounding undersea environment.

Presley said he chose to stay down 69 days and 19 minutes by flip-flopping the digits of that year, in tribute to the earlier experiment.

The hydroponics researcher from Miami will undergo medical tests to monitor gas levels in his bloodstream.

The steel and acrylic lodge, originally an underwater research laboratory used off Puerto Rico, is 50 feet long, 20 feet wide and 11 feet high. It has three portholes and three chambers: a wet room where divers come and go in scuba gear, a recreational room with a galley, and sleeping quarters.

When he was not performing various experiments, Presley entertained himself by watching videos, such as "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea," exploring the lagoon or viewing marine life through a 42-inch porthole.

"I even named a blue-striped grunt 'Dr. Grunt,'" Presley said.

Accounting firm to pay \$1.6 million to settle charges in Keating case

PHOENIX (AP) — The accounting firm of Ernst & Young agreed Tuesday to pay \$1.6 million to settle state regulators' accusations it helped Charles Keating Jr. deceive the government about the health of his savings and loan company.

The deal with the state allows the firm to retain its license in Arizona, state Attorney General Grant Woods said.

Ernst & Young spokesman Mort Meyerson said: "Regardless of facts, the powerful emotions

caused by Keating and Lincoln made it important for us to settle this matter, put it behind us and move forward."

The settlement comes on top of \$63 million the firm agreed in March to pay to settle a federal civil lawsuit involving its work for Keating.

The state Board of Accountancy had charged that the firm issued audits and opinions from 1986 through 1988 that portrayed Keating's Phoenix-based American

Continental Corp., and its Irvine, Calif.-based subsidiary, Lincoln Savings, as profitable.

American Continental filed for bankruptcy and Lincoln was seized by federal regulators in April 1989 at a cost of \$2.6 billion — the biggest taxpayer bailout of a savings and loan.

Keating is in prison in California on a state fraud conviction for overseeing sale of risky American Continental junk bonds to investors.