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Zoning issue raises tempers

By RANDAL K. McGAUOCK
Staff Writer

In Tuesday's regular meeting of the Pampa City Commission, a rezoning issue was raised along with a few tempers.

At the heart of the matter, three issues seemed to be in conflict with each other.

They included the city's protection of retail and residential areas, an individual's right to start and manage a business and a businessman's allegations of unfair competition.

In the end, the city commission decided nothing. The vote on the issue was not taken for lack of a second to the motion.

"I'm not against Mr. Dougherty having a business," said Ronnie Holmes, the owner of a local sports card store. "I do however believe that for him to be in business he should be in the business district and have the same expenses that every other business in this town has."

Gene Dougherty, a Pampa resident, invested approximately \$25,000 to open a sports card trading store in his remodeled garage after he retired last year, he said.

The city then closed Dougherty's store because it was a retail business

operating in a residential area in a private home.

On April 15 Dougherty approached the city's Planning and Zoning Commission and asked that his house, and the block and a half between it and the city's retail zone, be re-zoned from residential to retail.

The vote at the Planning and Zoning Commission was tied at 2-2 and died as a result. In turn, Dougherty appealed the decision to the city commission and a public hearing and a vote on the matter was scheduled for Tuesday's meeting.

"It's more or less a hobby and it gives me something to do rather than sit there in that house all day," Dougherty said. "This is my last resort."

While many of Dougherty's neighbors spoke in favor of rezoning at the public hearing and more than 200 residents signed a petition supporting it, the church across the street from Dougherty's residence did not support the rezoning.

Rick Parnell, the education minister from the Central Baptist Church, said they did not oppose the opening of the card shop specifically, but rather were in opposition to other

businesses that might move into the area if it was re-zoned.

"... our main concern is not the business itself and not so much immediate as it is the future," Parnell said. "We would appreciate consideration for where we are located and for our church and if this passes, then, as it was stated, many, many things could move in and affect service times, it could affect noise levels and many, many other things could be affected."

The church was not alone in its opposition to what might move into the area if it was re-zoned.

Commissioner Gary Sutherland said he was not in favor of the rezoning because of what he saw as past zoning mistakes by former city commissions.

"I'm real concerned about what happens to this community a few years down the road, because I've seen some things that were done 20, 30, 40 years ago in this community that I don't like . . . and this is one of those things that I'm going to make that mistake," he said.

Some of the businesses that could locate in a retail area include boarding houses, art galleries, libraries, nursing homes, electrical substations, indoor amusement areas,

dance halls, night clubs, theaters and gas stations to name only a few, according to city ordinance.

While Dougherty said he understood Sutherland's point, he pointed out that many businesses around town operate in residential areas.

Supporters of Dougherty who spoke at the meeting also said the neighborhood, located near the intersection of Browning and Starkweather, where the sports card shop stands, was already run down and making it into a retail district would only be an improvement.

In addition, they argued that by closing the shop, the city would not be able to collect sales taxes. Parking on Dougherty's extra-wide driveway was no problem and none of the neighbors, except the church, objected to the small business.

In a related matter, a second public hearing was held to discuss another re-zoning appeal made by Shepard's Crook Health Agency, located at 811 N. West. It was requested that its zoning be changed from residential to retail. The owner of the business and the manager spoke in support of the re-zoning. No one raised any opposition to it.

The appeal died for lack of a motion to vote by city commissioners.

County losing use of facility

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

As of Sept. 1, Gray County Court will no longer be able to send people to Wichita Falls State Hospital for mandatory treatment of an illicit drug or alcohol addiction in the absence of mental illness, said Sheila Allee, director of media relations for the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation in Austin.

Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy said the ending of that service at the state hospital in Wichita Falls "will force (those in Gray County seeking to obtain such a commitment) to find services elsewhere, and the county court has the authority to commit to any facility that will accept a court-committed patient. The fact that the state hospital that we normally send them to is closing (that service) is obviously going to force utilization of private hospitals that provide that service."

The closing of the treatment program at Wichita Falls State Hospital stems from a decision by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to discontinue state hospitals' treatment programs for court-committed cases of drug or alcohol addiction in which no mental illness is present, Allee said last week. Service in such cases has been transferred to the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, she said.

Kennedy noted that Gray County already relies on the Panhandle Addiction Recovery Center (PARC) in Amarillo for treatment of illicit drug and alcohol addiction in some of its court-ordered cases. Kennedy suggested that he expects Gray County to continue to send such court-ordered patients there.

So far in the current fiscal year, which began Sept. 1, 1992, Gray County has ordered three people to undergo treatment exclusively for illicit drug and alcohol addiction at Wichita Falls State Hospital, Allee said. In fiscal 1992 and fiscal 1991, there were three such cases each year; in fiscal 1990, there were two such cases; and in fiscal 1989, there were six such cases.

The court-ordered commitment for treatment of illicit drug and alcohol addiction is generally for a 90-day period, although it is rare for a person to remain in

such treatment for the entire 90 days, Kennedy said.

Allee noted that any adult who observes conduct by someone indicating a drug or alcohol problem can request that the county court commit that person for treatment of an illicit drug and alcohol addiction. All expenses in the treatment program are paid by the state.

Two medical certificates, signed by physicians who have examined the drug or alcohol addict within 30 days before they signed the form, are required for the county to order the addict's commitment to a treatment program, Kennedy said.

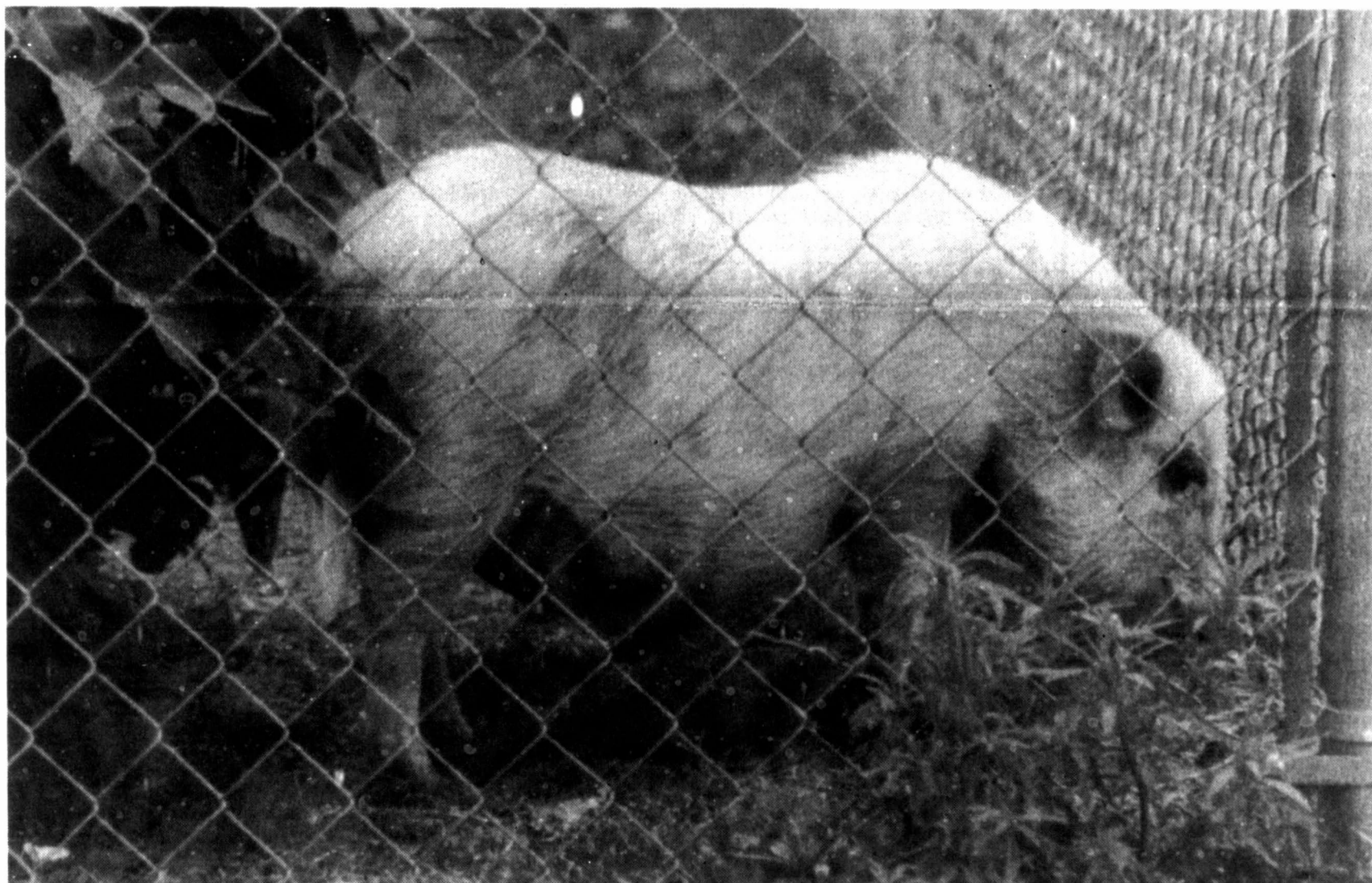


Judge Kennedy

The county judge noted that the court-ordered treatment programs are frequently successful at curing a drug or alcohol addict. Kennedy added that minors as well as adults can be placed in such a treatment program.

Joe White, director of programs for Panhandle Addiction Recovery Center, noted that it received an award from the Texas Legislature in 1986 based on a 100-day follow-up study of former PARC clients that found two out of three were still sober. White added, however, that the percentage of former PARC clients who are permanently cured of illicit drug and alcohol addiction has declined since 1986 because of the growing prevalence of highly addictive drugs such as cocaine and crack cocaine. Curing people of an addiction to such drugs is more difficult than for less-addictive drugs, White suggested.

This one stayed home



This portly porker enjoys the warm weather and surveys the limits of his territory Tuesday in the 200 block of South Miami. (Staff photo by Darlene Holmes)

Woman gives birth to 4 boys, 2 girls

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Becki and Keith Dilley have been wanting a big family for years. They got it in a span of four minutes.

The 27-year-old woman gave birth to sextuplets, four boys and two girls, between 5:28 p.m. and 5:31 p.m. Tuesday at the Women's Hospital in Indianapolis, spokeswoman Dianne McCabe said.

"All six are stable and doing very well," although they were placed in intensive care as a precaution, McCabe said. The mother was in good condition, she said.

The babies were the third set of sextuplets born within the past week, one group in England the other in Argentina.

Belflower, Phillips lead White Deer grads

Editors note: This is one in a series honoring valedictorians and salutatorians of area high schools. Through Saturday, students who have excelled in their high school careers will be featured in The Pampa News.

WHITE DEER — Jamie Michelle Belflower is the valedictorian for the 1993 graduating class at White Deer High School. Amy Phillips has been named salutatorian.

Belflower, the daughter of James and Laquita Belflower, has a weighted grade point average of 100.7.

She was a member of National

Honor Society for three years, Future Homemakers of America for three years, serving as fifth vice president one year, and a member of the band and Buck Pride for three years. She received a first division in solo contest one year and was in the state medium ensemble for three years. Belflower served on the S.T.A.R.S. (speech team) for two years, and as secretary one year. She was in UIL debate for two years, winning second in district and qualifying for regionals one year. She also participated in UIL number sense, literary criticism and science. She participated in track and tennis for one year.

Belflower was named Who's Who, a National Science Merit Award, U.S. mathematics award, National Youth Leadership Council, outstanding student in band, English III, geometry and Spanish II and had an "A" average for four years. She is in the Faith Christian Center youth group and was in 4-H one year, serving as secretary-treasurer.

She plans to attend TSTC and major in chemical technology.

Phillips, the daughter of Curtis A. Phillips II and Vicki Barrow, has a weighted 9.61 GPA.

Phillips was the 1993 DAR Good Citizen and has been recognized in Who's Who Among American High School Students and U.S. Achievement Academy. She was a member of the National Honor Society, serving as treasurer in 1992-93. She was a Student Council representative, freshman class secretary, in Future Farmers of America (serving as 1992-93 chapter president and district treasurer), Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Future Homemakers of America, "Bucky" team mascot, "Buck Pride" pep squad, and One-Act play.

She received the 1991-92 FFA Star Greenhand Award. She was named the 1990-91 outstanding Spanish II and typing student, and received awards in 1991-92 for outstanding American history,



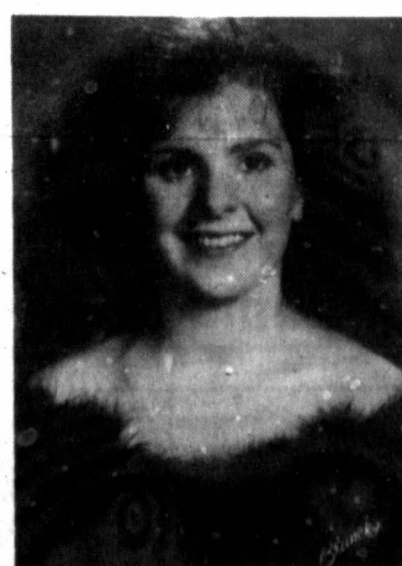
chemistry I, microcomputer and algebra I student. In University Interscholastic League competition, she was in poetry in ninth grade, a 1991 regional qualifier in typing, participated in science in 1992, and in calculator and accounting in 1993.

She was acting president of the 1991 state qualifying "Jr. Chapter Conducting" team, on the 1992 poultry judging team and on the 1993 state qualifying dairy products judging team. She played basketball and tennis and was a 1992 Homecoming queen candidate and a 1993 Miss White Deer High School candidate. She is a member of the White Deer United Methodist Church.

White Deer plans to have 35 graduating seniors. The graduation is set for 8 p.m. May 28 at the high school auditorium.



Jamie Belflower



Amy Phillips

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1993 Graduation Edition....
FRIDAY, MAY 28
Local & Area High School Graduates

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

FEWELL, Margarette — 2 p.m., Greenwood Chapel, Fort Worth.
NEWSOM, Lillian — 4 p.m., First Baptist Church.
STONE, Hubert M. — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.
WEATHERMAN, Mavin F. — 2 p.m., Memorial Park Cemetery, Amarillo.

Obituaries

EDNA ELIZABETH DOUT
AMARILLO — Edna Elizabeth Dout, 75, died Monday, May 24, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. today in Martin Road Chapel of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, 1505 Martin Road, with the Rev. Ray Rector of the First Church of God officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.
 Mrs. Dout was born in Inola, Okla., and moved to Amarillo in 1959 from Lubbock. She married Alvin Dout in 1937 at Enid, Okla. He died in 1983. She was a homemaker and member of the First Church of God. Survivors include a daughter, Janice Dout of Amarillo; four sons, Randall Dout of Versailles, Mo., Kenneth Dout of Albuquerque, N.M., Tom Dout of Pampa and Bill Dout of Salt Lake City; a brother, Raymond Reinschmidt of Kansas City, Mo.; a sister, Darelene Goodloe of Guyton, Okla.; 15 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.
 The family will be at 1321 Dahlia St. and requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society.

MARGARETTE FEWELL
FORT WORTH — Margarette Fewell, 70, died Tuesday, May 25, 1993, in Fort Worth. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Greenwood Chapel, followed by burial at Greenwood Memorial Park.
 Mrs. Fewell was born in Comanche, Okla. A former resident of Pampa, she had lived in Fort Worth since 1968. She was a retired private-duty nurse.
 Survivors include her husband, Robert F. Fewell of Fort Worth; two sons, Robert L. "Bob" Fewell and Michael Fewell of Fort Worth; two daughters, Linda Tingle of Denison and Glenda Shearman of Azle; two brothers, Seidel Nolen of Port Orchard, Wash., and Coy Nolen of Kilgore; sisters Bettie Coffey of Gladewater, Virginia Austin of Houston, LouAnn Davis of Pampa and Martha Jonas of Pampa; and grandchildren Britt Fewell, Lori Ann Tingle, Chrystal Fewell, and Christopher Michael Fewell.
 The family requests that memorials be to the Harris Hospital Hospice.

LILLIAN NEWSOM
Lillian Newsom, 80, died Tuesday, May 25, 1993. Services will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church, with Dr. Darrel Rains, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.
 Mrs. Newsom was born on Oct. 10, 1912, in Altus, Okla. She moved to Pampa in 1983 from Borger. She married Lee Newsom on July 3, 1931, in Bethany, Okla. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Grace Sunday School Class, and the Sunshine Club. She was a member of the Twentieth Century Study Club and the Pampa Senior Citizens Center. She was a member of Pampa Knife & Fork Club.
 Survivors include a husband, Lee, of the home; two daughters, Jan Covalt of Pampa and Judy Ford of Fritch; a brother, Buck Jones of Lawton, Okla.; three sisters, Ruby Morrison of Borger, Louise Hubbard of Pampa and Ruth Asbill of Dumas; five granddaughters and 10 great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to Pampa Senior Citizens Center or First Baptist Church Building Fund.

MELINDA KAY THOMAS
Melinda Kay Thomas, 21, died Monday, May 24, 1993. Services will be at 4 p.m. today in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, with the Rev. Henry Veach of Borger officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.
 Miss Thomas was born on May 20, 1972, in Pampa, where she was a lifelong resident. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1992 and was a member of Briarwood Full Gospel Church.
 Survivors include her parents, Rocky and Belinda Thomas of Pampa; two sisters, Katy Thomas and Billie Thomas, both of Pampa; her paternal grandparents, Homer and Georgia Thomas of Canadian; her maternal grandmother, Lois Devoll of Pampa; several aunts and uncles; and four cousins.

MAVIN F. WEATHERMAN
AMARILLO — Mavin F. Weatherman, 68, married in Miami, died Monday, May 24, 1993. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Memorial Park Cemetery, 6969 E. Interstate 40, with the Rev. J. Alan Ford, pastor of Southwest Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Memorial Park Funeral Home.
 Mr. Weatherman was born in Lubbock. He married Alta Horn in 1942 at Miami. He was a welder and worked at City Machine for many years. He was an Army veteran of World War II, having served in the 82nd Division. He received the Bronze Star. He was a Baptist.
 Survivors include his wife; a son, Floyd Edmond Weatherman of Amarillo; a brother, Nate Darrell Weatherman of Abilene; two sisters, Nellreta McDonald of California and Lodema Wood of Phoenix; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

ELVIN FLOYD SHOCK
DANBURY — Elvin Floyd Shock, 74, father of a Pampa man, died Tuesday, May 25, 1993. Services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in the Danbury Baptist Church, with the Revs. Fred Lintelman, Jack Chastain and Jim Grable officiating. Burial will be in the Danbury Cemetery. Arrangements are by Palms Funeral Home in Danbury.
 Mr. Shock was a veteran of World War II, having served as first sergeant, and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. He was a member of the Danbury Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon. He was a member of the American Legion Post 501, a member of the Sheriffs Association of Texas, RVOS, and the Operating Engineers Local 450. He was married to Lydia Shock for 46 years.
 Survivors include his wife, Lydia Shock of Danbury; a son, Glenn Shock of Pampa; daughters Beverly Mathews and Bonnie Brothers, both of Angleton, and Nell Rice of Danbury; brothers A.C. Shock of West Columbia, Lloyd Shock of Yorktown, and Ruben Shock of Victoria; sisters Ruby Honeycutt and Pearl Alley, both of Victoria; and 13 grandchildren.
 The family requests that memorials be to the VNA Hospice of Brazoria County, 500 N. Chenango, Suite 207, Angleton, 77515, or the ALS Association, 21021 Ventura Blvd., Suite 321, Woodland Hills, Calif., 91364.

Police report

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

TUESDAY, May 25
 The Department of Public Safety requested an outside agency report.
 Karen Smith, 1105 Christine, reported a theft of under \$20.
 David Hunter, Box 1018, reported a criminal mischief.
 David Hunter, Box 1018, reported a theft of services.
 David Hunter, Box 1018, reported a theft of over \$750 and under \$20,000.

TODAY, May 26
 The city of Pampa reported disorderly conduct.
 The Texas Department of Corrections requested an outside agency report.
 Bobby Allan Teague, 1342 Coffee #1, reported disorderly conduct.

Arrests
TUESDAY, May 25
 Tracy Lynn Reeves, 19, 1120 E. Kingsmill, was arrested at the intersection of Cuyler and Browning on an outstanding warrant.

TODAY, May 26
 Jason Arnell Trayler, 25, Amarillo, was arrested in the 800 block of East Frederic on an outstanding warrant.

Sheriff's Office

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

TUESDAY, May 25
 The Trans-Terra Corporation, 2501 Milliron, reported a burglary of a motor vehicle.
DPS-Arrests
TUESDAY, May 25
 Jimmy Wayne Wagnor, Fritch, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Accidents

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

TUESDAY, May 25
 7:55 p.m. — A 1993 Mercury driven by Chad Evan Tucker, 19, 1221 N. Duncan, collided with a utility trailer in the 1300 block of North Charles. No injuries were reported. Tucker was cited for backing without safety.

Fires

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

TUESDAY, May 25
 5 p.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at 204 W. Tuke.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions Pampa
 Michele Anne Andorfer
 Georgia Angton
 Opal O. Henderson
 Opal Jo McCathern
 Winnie D. Slaten
 Ann Browning (extended care)
 Nellie B. Martin (extended care)
 Opal B. Smith (extended care)
 Clyde Vick (extended care)
Births
 To Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Andorfer of Pampa, a girl
Dismissals Pampa
 Ann Browning
 Ellen Anne Depee
 Rhonda S. Dowdy and baby boy
 Marietta A. Hutto
 Daisy E. King
 Nellie B. Martin
 Opal B. Smith
 Tabatha Lee Vanwagner and baby girl
 Clyde Vick
 Brandi Wyatt and baby girl
Canadian Lefors
 Walter A. Mooney
 Betty Louise Wells
 McLean
 Millard Doyle Webb
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions Wellington
 Maria Cruz
 Dismissals
 Shamrock
 Vesta McPherson

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa:
 Wheat.....2.71
 Milo.....3.45
 Corn.....4.15
 Cabot O&G.....22 1/2 NC
 Chevron.....85 dn 1/8
 Coca-Cola.....41 3/8 up 1/4
 Enron.....55 3/4 up 1/8
 Halliburton.....40 1/2 dn 3/8
 HealthTrust Inc.....18 5/8 dn 1/8
 Ingersoll Rand.....34 up 3/8
 KNE.....33 7/8 up 1/4
 Kerr McGee.....51 7/8 dn 1/8
 Limited.....24 1/2 up 1/8
 Napco.....57 3/8 dn 1/8
 Maxus.....9 1/8 NC
 McDonald's.....49 5/8 dn 3/8
 Mobil.....69 5/8 dn 1/4
 New Atmos.....28 1/4 NC
 Parker & Parsley.....26 3/8 dn 1/8
 Penney's.....47 1/2 dn 7/8
 Phillips.....30 1/8 NC
 SLB.....65 1/8 dn 1/8
 SPS.....32 1/4 up 1/4
 Tenneco.....48 5/8 up 1/8
 Texas.....63 7/8 dn 3/8
 Wal-Mart.....28 1/4 dn 1/8
 New York Gold.....374.20
 Arco.....123 3/8 dn 3/8
 Silver.....4.52
 Cabot.....45 3/8 dn 1/4
 West Texas Crude.....19.91

Calendar of events

SKELLY-GETTY-TEXACO RETIREES CLUB
 The Skelly-Getty-Texaco Retirees Club plans to meet at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the Chamber of Commerce Building.

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

Getting ready for summer



(Staff photo by Darlene Holmes)
 Gary Potter and his uncle, Marvin Yearwood, install an air conditioning unit Tuesday for Gary's mother at her home on Terrace.

Grand jury hands down indictments

A 31st District Court grand jury handed down indictments following a Monday meeting. Cases were presented to the 12-person jury by Assistant District Attorney Tracey Jennings.

• Donald Bynum, 56, no address given, was indicted on a charge of theft of over \$750 and under \$20,000 which is alleged to have occurred on Jan. 15. Bond was set for \$5,000.
 • Ira Don Hicks, 22, 1109 Varnon, was indicted on a charge of burglary of a building which is alleged to have occurred on April 18. Bond was set at \$5,000.
 • Jayme Lynn Nation, 17, 422 N. Cuyler, was indicted on a charge of burglary of a building which is alleged to have occurred on April 18. Bond was set at \$5,000.
 • Bobby Dwayne Hicks, 25, 109 N. Wynne, was indicted on a charge of burglary of a building which is alleged to have occurred

on April 18. Bond was set at \$5,000.

• Janis Marie Barrington, 39, San Antonio, was indicted on a charge of forgery by passing which occurred on Sept. 19, 1990. Bond was set at \$15,000.
 • Jerry Lynn Fought, 33, 1949 N. Sumner, was indicted on a charge of driving while intoxicated which is alleged to have occurred on Aug. 11, 1992. Bond was set at \$3,000.
 • Lance Allen Herr, 31, 2117 Lynn, was indicted on a charge of driving while intoxicated-subsequent offense, which is alleged to have occurred on April 4. Bond was set at \$4,000.
 • Kathy Anderson Holt, 31, Panhandle, was indicted on a charge of tampering with a governmental records which is alleged to have occurred on Nov. 7, 1991. Bond was set at \$1,500.
 • William Edward Baker, 37, Yuma, Ariz., was indicted on a

charge of driving while intoxicated which is alleged to have occurred on April 15. Bond was set at \$2,500.

• Leonard Allen Holt, 46, Panhandle, was indicted on a charge of tampering with governmental records which is alleged to have occurred on Nov. 7, 1991. Bond was set at \$1,500.
 • Steven Ray Stone II, 18, 221 E. Atchison, was indicted on a charge of burglary of a motor vehicle which is alleged to have occurred on Oct. 16, 1992. Bond was set at \$2,000.
 • Billy R. Brown, 21, 500 N. Doyle, was indicted on a charge of burglary of a motor vehicle which is alleged to have occurred on Oct. 16, 1992. Bond was set at \$10,000.
 • Amy Maul, 18, Heritage Apartments, was indicted on a charge of forgery of making which is alleged to have occurred on March 26. Bond was set at \$4,000.

Police schedule second Citizens Academy

Applications are now available for the Pampa Police Department's second Citizens Academy.

The academy is scheduled to begin June 8 and last 14 weeks. Classes meet once a week for three hours each time.
 Police officers from each division within the department teach the classes that are designed to inform people

about police personnel and policies. The only requirements needed to attend the academy are that an applicant be at least 18-years-old and live and work in Pampa. Topics covered in the classes include training, communications, criminal investigations, crime prevention, family violence, juvenile law and tactical teams.

As part of the application process, anyone filling out the application is subject to a criminal history check.

For more information, contact Lt. Steve Chance or Connie Brainard at 669-5700, ext. 285. Applications are available at the police station during regular business hours.

Veterans group seeks hall of fame nominees

The Panhandle Veterans Hall of Fame is searching for nominees for induction this year into the organization.

John Triplehorn, Gray County veterans service officer and president of the hall of fame, will accept inductee applications until July 26 when they will be turned

over to the selection committee. To nominate an individual, a short narrative of their life, the branch of service they were in, awards they received and a copy of any newspaper articles written about the individual should be sent to Triplehorn at P.O. Box 657, Pampa, 79066.

In the narrative, writers are encouraged to outline a nominee's contributions to the community in addition to his or her military service.

Veterans will be inducted into the hall of fame Aug. 20 during the annual banquet of the Panhandle Veterans Hall of Fame in the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

This is the fourth year the group has honored veterans. In previous years, inductees have been from Pampa, Amarillo, Canyon, Claude and other area towns.

Some of the past inductees have received such awards as the Silver Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross and even the Congressional Medal of Honor.

City briefs

WATER WELL Service, Doug Kennedy, 665-4088. Adv.
BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.
FRANK SLAGLE Electric. All electrical services, 665-3748. Adv.
EARLY DEADLINES this week due to Memorial Day holiday for advertising, Pampa News.

NAILS BY Trish: Acrylic \$25, fills \$15. Leave message 665-1928, 669-0320. Adv.
GRANDVIEW - HOPKINS Annual barbeque, Thursday May 27, 12:00 noon. Everyone is invited. Bring a covered dish or dessert. Adv.

STEVE & STARS Hairstyling would like to welcome Vickie Bolz to our salon. Vickie is now having a Perm Special, 701 N. Hobart, 665-8958. Adv.
SPRING AND Summer Merchandise up to 50% off. The Clothes Line. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, fair with the low near 60 and southwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy with the highs in the mid-80s and the lows near 60. The high on Tuesday was 74 degrees; the overnight low was 56 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Panhandle, Tonight, fair to partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 80s. Thursday night, fair to partly cloudy. Lows around 60. Extended forecast: Friday and Saturday, partly cloudy. Lows around 60. Highs in the mid to upper 80s. Sunday, partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows around 60. Highs in the 80s.
 South Texas — Texas Hill Country and South-Central Texas:

Tonight, partly cloudy in the evening and mostly cloudy after midnight. Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms. Low in the 60s. Thursday, mostly cloudy. Showers and thunderstorms likely. High in the low to mid 80s. Thursday night, partly cloudy with widely scattered showers. Low in the upper 60s. Extended forecast: Friday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. High in the 80s. Saturday and Sunday, late night and morning clouds to partly cloudy afternoons with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Low in the mid to upper 60s. Hill Country to near 70 south central. High in the 80s.

North Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy south central and southeast, fair elsewhere. Lows 62 to 65. Thursday, a slight chance of thunderstorms south. Otherwise, partly cloudy. Highs 84 to 87. Thursday

night, fair to partly cloudy. Lows 64 to 67. Extended forecast: Friday through Sunday, clear to partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms in the west late Sunday. Highs in the mid 80s to near 90. Lows in the 60s.

BORDER STATES
 New Mexico — Tonight through Thursday night, fair mornings and late nights with a slight chance of late afternoon and evening thunderstorms east. Partly cloudy west with scattered mainly afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Lows 40s mountains with 50s and 60s elsewhere. Highs upper 60s and 70s mountains with 70s and 80s elsewhere.

Oklahoma — Tonight, mostly fair. Lows between 58 and 64. Thursday, partly cloudy and warmer. Highs 84 to 90. Thursday night, mostly fair with lows in 60s.

Conference committee agrees on school funding proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — Legislative leaders predict passage of a school funding package in time to meet a June 1 court deadline for finance reform and avert a threatened cutoff of state education aid.

"I think it'll fly with both houses ... I think it'll fly with the court," Senate Education Committee Chairman Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, said Tuesday. "It is by far the most equalizing plan that this Legislature has ever considered, much less passed."

A House-Senate conference committee agreed Tuesday on the compromise bill, which still must be printed and signed by negotiators. The package would give property-rich school districts several options for sharing some of their wealth with poorer ones.

It also would ease state regulations to save school districts an estimated \$300 million, and make changes such as forbidding school districts from hiring lobbyists with tax money.

Agreement came after negotiators patched up an angry disagreement from Monday, when senators refused to discuss the inclusion of non-finance provisions in the bill.

Lawmakers Tuesday agreed to add some education and regulatory relief issues to the funding measure, but to set aside such controversial proposals as easing the no pass, no play rule that bars failing students from extracurricular activities.

Those ideas are expected to be addressed by another conference committee in separate legislation, lawmakers said.

The Texas Supreme Court has ordered lawmakers to come up with a plan to even out funding available to school districts with differing property wealth. School districts rely on state aid and local taxes.

The compromise bill is aimed at ensuring none of Texas' 1,048 school districts has more than \$280,000 in property wealth per student. It would give the 109 school districts that exceed that level a choice of options for reducing their wealth, including:

- Merging tax bases with one or more poorer school districts;
- Sending money to the state to educate students in poorer districts;
- Contracting to educate students in other districts;

— Consolidating voluntarily with one or more other districts; or

— Moving some taxable property to another district's tax rolls.

Voter approval would be required for the first three options.

If school districts didn't choose an option, the state education commissioner would order commercial taxable property to be moved. If that didn't sufficiently reduce the district's property wealth, there would be forced consolidation.

"For the first time in the history of our state, every school district is playing under the same rules. All the property's in the system," said Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson.

The bill would give school districts a basic funding level of \$2,300 per weighted student at an 86-cent tax rate per \$100 property valuation, compared with the current \$2,400 at an 82-cent rate. In the weighted system, students with special needs are counted as more than one pupil to make up for extra education costs.

School districts would be guaranteed an additional \$20.55 per weighted student for each extra 1-cent tax, up to \$1.50. The current guarantee is \$22.50 per student per penny of tax, up to \$1.27. Matching state funds only would be available up to a school district's 1992-93 tax rate.

The bill also would make other education changes, including:

— Setting up a state-funded pilot summer school program for students who otherwise are at risk of being kept back, and allowing school districts to trim five days from the 180-day regular school year to finance such a program on their own. Education commissioner approval would be required.

— Eliminating the teacher merit pay system and changing teacher appraisals. Teachers who have merit pay bonuses would keep getting them as long as they are in the same school district.

— Easing requirements that school districts switch buses to alternative fuels.

— Allowing school districts to exceed the \$1.50 maximum tax rate with approval by voters.

— Giving voters more say over tax increases by changing the requirements for rollback elections. Rather than allowing voters to petition for a rollback election at an 8-cent increase, an election would be automatic at a 6-cent hike, with some exceptions.

— Limiting school administrative costs.

— Changing the funding formula for special education to encourage less restrictive programs.

— Prohibiting school districts from using tax money to pay professional lobbyists.

Besides the proposal to change no pass, no play provision, lawmakers stripped from the funding bill provisions that would change the 22-to-1 student teacher ratio in the lower grades; shorten the school year; and make students who skip school too many times subject to a misdemeanor charge and loss of their driver's license.

Conversation at local diner is of Btu

STROUD, Okla. (AP) — There are two constants at Wright's Restaurant: A dozen or so men gather around a long table every day for breakfast, and the talk always gets around to government and taxes.

They don't trust government and they don't like taxes. Sometimes it's the other way around.

"If we handled the money at this table the way they handle it in Washington, we wouldn't be able to come here and buy a cup of coffee," said Grover Keys, who did just that Tuesday.

Lately the talk has been about President Clinton's energy tax, which was headed for a House vote Thursday. The tax, part of his economic package, is pegged to the heat content of specific fuels, as measured in Btu, or British thermal units.

It would affect almost every form of energy, from oil and natural gas to coal and nuclear.

"You won't find anybody in this town who supports it," said Joe Talbert, 72, a retired sales representative for a company that makes oil field equipment.

Stroud is an oil and agriculture town of about 3,000, known mostly for being the halfway point on the Turner Turnpike

between Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

The men who stop by the restaurant near old Route 66 for coffee, oatmeal, biscuits and gravy, and a platoon of opinions say the energy tax is another example of tax-and-spend, though they're not exactly sure what a Btu tax would mean to them.

How much will they pay for gas? How much will their utility bills increase? How much more can they expect to pay for anything that uses energy to make?

"I haven't sat down and figured it out yet, and I don't even know that I could," said 54-year-old Loren Crouch.

"I know it's more than what I want to pay," said Bill Blaney, 62, a contract pumper and cattleman. "Whatever they tell you, just double it."

"This is a politician's dream — tax 'em, and they'll never know how much they're being taxed," Talbert said.

A poll of 500 Oklahomans commissioned by the American Energy Alliance shows 62 percent oppose Clinton's energy tax. Sixteen percent believe the revenue will go toward more spending instead of reducing the deficit. The poll had a margin of error of

plus or minus 4.5 percentage points.

"This will ruin us," says Milton Wolff, 61, who owns a feed and supply store. "The cost of just about every purchase will go up. It's going to make my fertilizer go up." Natural gas is used to make most common fertilizers.

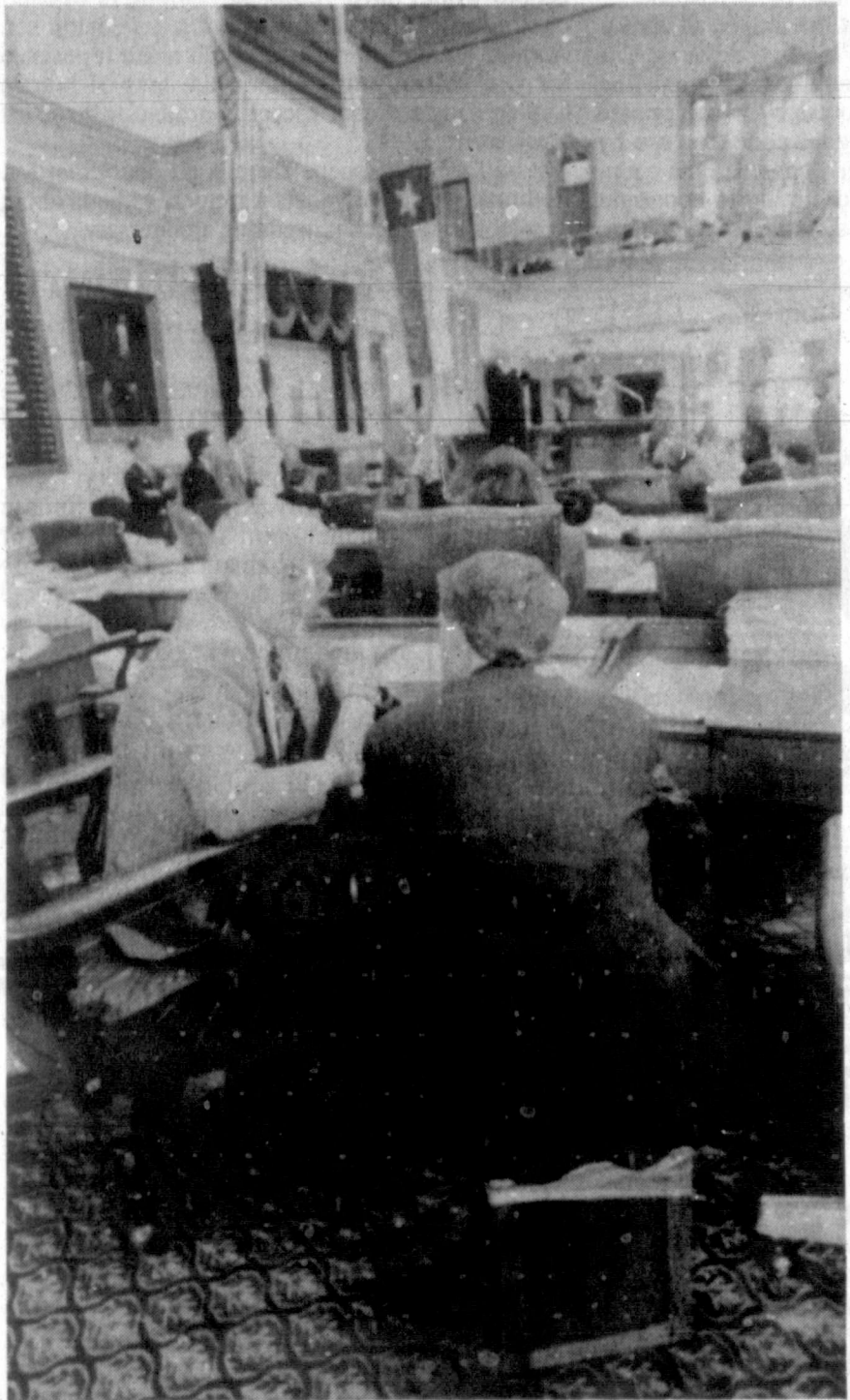
Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., and Sen. John Danforth, R-Mo., offered an alternative plan last week that eliminates the energy tax and makes \$2 in spending cuts for every \$1 in taxes.

Crouch, still angry that Boren didn't take a stand quickly enough against lifting the ban on homosexuals in the military, said he was glad to see Boren "finally get off the fence."

"Well, he still says he's for taxes," Talbert countered.

Most of the men are Democrats who, like the rest of Oklahoma, tend to vote Republican when choosing a president. But the blame for the deficit gets placed on just about everyone in public office, beginning with Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Lee Henderson ran his own oil field service company until retiring two years ago at 65, earlier than he had planned because, he said, he got tired of losing \$25,000 a year of his \$60,000 salary to taxes.



Rep. David Counts, D-Knox City, left, talks with Rep. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock during the Tuesday session.

Teacher suspended for plan offering condoms for credit

LONGVIEW, Wash. (AP) — A high school teacher who gave his students extra credit for buying condoms has been suspended, but also praised.

"I honor this teacher," hearing examiner Frederick Rasmussen said Tuesday in upholding the Longview School District's two-week unpaid suspension of Larry Wagle. But he added, "You're guilty of insubordination and it was your choice."

Wagle proposed the extra credit after his ninth-grade world history class discussed a newspaper article about condom shoplifting by teens too shy to buy them.

After getting permission from parents, interested students had to buy a condom from a store clerk of the opposite sex, take a witness and get a receipt. Three students took part. Several angry parents called to complain.

Wagle argued that many American teens are in danger of getting AIDS because they're too embarrassed to buy condoms.

"We are something like accessories to manslaughter when we do not educate about condom use," he said during the hearing. "Condoms are essential in the modern world."

District lawyer John Binns said the suspension was "an extraordinarily mild" response for insubordination. Wagle also violated state guidelines on AIDS instruction.

Condoms are not distributed in the district's schools.

Wagle, frequently at odds with school administrators, represented himself at the hearing, padding across the room in his socks and stroking his flowing white beard. He said the issues were academic freedom and AIDS prevention.

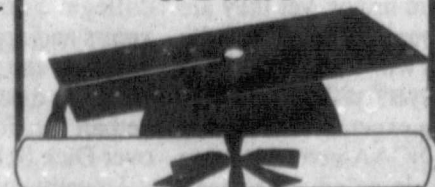
"If parents had a chance to say no to the assignment, what's the beef?" he said.

Clark Geer, AIDS coordinator for the Cowlitz County Health District, was called as a witness by Wagle and said the county has one of the state's highest rates of sexually transmitted diseases.

"I think it is commendable for a teacher to put himself on the line for condoms. I think it's amazing and may save lives," he said.



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White House: Why did travel office go awry?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Swamped by controversy over the bungled firings of seven travel office employees, an embarrassed White House is opening an internal investigation of how it mishandled the situation.

And five of the fired workers have gotten at least a temporary reprieve from the ax.

"There's nothing funny going on here," a frustrated President Clinton said Tuesday. However, he acknowledged, "I know that there is a feeling ... that someone in the White House may have done something that was inappropriate or that wasn't quite handled right or something."

The White House backed down on the firings after a week of questions and criticism that it tossed out the employees to make room for its friends and create travel business for Clinton's pals. The office's main task is to make charter flight arrangements for the White House press corps.

Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole accused the administration of strong-arming the FBI to justify the action. He said the matter "takes you back to Watergate."

The president distanced himself from the key decisions. He said he was not involved in the decision to get the FBI to release a statement that a criminal investigation of the office was warranted. And he referred questions about the original firings and Tuesday's reversal to White House chief of staff Mack McLarty.

"I had nothing to do with any decision, except to save the taxpayers and the press money," Clinton said. "That's all I know."

The criticisms and second-guessing darkened an already gloomy mood within the White House after divisions among Democrats about the president's economic program and ridicule of Clinton's \$200 haircut aboard a parked Air Force One.

"Obviously things didn't go as we would have liked them to have gone last week," White House spokesman George Stephanopoulos said.

He acknowledged that the White House erred by bypassing the Justice Department and calling in an FBI official to draft the statement.

"Obviously in retrospect it's something we wouldn't do again, no question about it," Stephanopoulos said.

The seven travel office employees were fired last Wednesday, all of them accused of gross financial mismanagement even though only two of them had check-signing authority.

Admitting that the White House badly mishandled the situation, Stephanopoulos said the five employees who did not handle the money will be kept on paid administrative leave pending an internal investigation into how the office was run. He said it was conceivable the five could get other jobs somewhere in the government if cleared.

Stephanopoulos acknowledged that he had ordered the distribution of the FBI statement about its plans for a criminal investigation. Usually, such statements are not made public.

The internal investigation will be headed by McLarty, who accepted responsibility for administration missteps.

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Opinion

Hope they're not all rubes, bubbas

You'd like to hope, despite all the often unfair Arkansas stereotypes, that these Clinton people aren't really rubes and bubbas. After all, they went to such places as Wellesley, Georgetown, Oxford and Yale Law School. These places are not only tough to get into, they are supposed to mold well-educated, sophisticated and worldly graduates who not only know a thing or two, but have a modicum of polish and savoir-faire.

But the evidence to the contrary just keeps rolling in. Maybe, in a strictly legalistic, technical sense, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's relatively small investment — by her standards \$50,000 to \$100,000 — in a special growth fund that has invested about \$1.2 million in the stocks of 10 health care companies doesn't amount to an absolute conflict-of-interest.

White House spokeswoman Ricki Seidman has said that Mrs. Clinton owns less than 1 percent of the fund and has no control over its investments. And, since the First Spouse doesn't draw a conflict-of-interest regulations.

But come on, now. It just looks bad. And you would have hoped the Clintons — who were certainly aware of the brouhaha that developed over allegations of impropriety by Reagan-era Attorney General Ed Meese — ultimately exonerated but still tarnished in many eyes — would have anticipated a problem and taken action before now.

Mrs. Clinton is very visibly, albeit without pay, heading the president's task force on health-care policy. If she were a government employee, she almost certainly would have been required to divest herself of any investments in the health-care industry. One might have thought a sophisticated, high-powered lawyer concerned about avoiding any appearance of impropriety would have done so voluntarily long ago.

White House spokespeople say the Clintons are submitting documents to the Office of Government Ethics with a view to setting up blind trusts. Why wasn't this handled long ago?

And then there's the firing of the White House travel staff and putting a 25-year-old cousin of the president in charge on an interim basis.

All right, Catherine Cornelius has experience in the travel business, having worked for World Wide Travel in Little Rock, which handled the Clinton campaign travel arrangements, and she's only a distant cousin.

But, the White House official who did the actual firing has ties to World Wide Travel, which got the interim contract without competitive bidding, as a client and former co-worker of the agency's owner.

Again, maybe there's nothing really wrong here. But couldn't they have figured out that it just doesn't look right?

Are these people so arrogant as to believe nobody will question their actions with the kind of gimlet eye they apply to Republicans? Will the president blame it on the skewed values that grew out of "the last 12 years?" Or are they really rubes and bubbas? Goobers off the Greyhound?

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The TeleRead in your future

I have never met David Rothman, but we have spent many hours together communicating by telephone and (mostly) by electronic mail. He wrote a book on laptop computers, for which I furnished an introduction. He is a Catherine's wheel of ideas on how to maximize the uses of the computer.

He is not the poet that George Gilder is. He is, rather, the utilitarian, and his current bug, with which I am happily contaminated, is something called TeleRead.

In a single sentence, TeleRead would become everyone's personal library, only this one would fit into your briefcase, and could sit on your night table. Mr. Rothman is talking down the road a bit, but he is not sci-fi. He has in mind a machine with sound, color, and an ultra-sharp screen. It will store at least 1 gigabyte; that is the equivalent of 500,000 pages, which would give you approximately 500 books the size of "War and Peace."

On how to operate such a machine? It would be "toaster-simple." The primary objective of Mr. Rothman is to encourage reading.

It isn't likely that the average person whose habits have formed will begin to use electronic mail, but one learns from Mr. Rothman that four out of five women recently discharged after breast cancer operations opted to keep up to date on developments in medicine via a computer, to which they had been exposed in the hospital.

But primarily he is talking about the generation going to school. And the data here are discouraging. There is, first, the growing indifference to printed matter, and then the high cost of library service and the diminishing supply of both necessary, and discursive, material. One library in one school didn't have a biography of George Washington at



William F. Buckley Jr.

hand for a student who wanted it. In our high schools there is one computer for every 16 students. In this day and age, that is the equivalent of having only one pencil for 20 students a century ago. The technological trajectory from pencil to typewriter to computer gives us an unbroken glide path, and the idea is to exploit its possibilities.

Mr. Rothman's TeleRead is a conception comprehensively approached. It encompasses the aforesaid computer, which could log on the network only after the user gave the proper identification and password. The user could even have his privacy. He could dial up the material from a network that did not keep permanent records of individual accesses. Or he could go to a vending machine, pay cash, and electronically copy material to a small, removable card that plugged into the TeleReader.

The staple of TeleRead is the universal library, and this would accumulate via two devices. The first would call for eventually scanning existing books. (To scan, v.t.; the process by which printed matter is converted into digital code, for use by computers.) The second would conscript the cooperation of book writers by declining to copyright any book that wasn't sent in digital form to govern-

ment libraries. Since most authors, or publishers, now put books onto diskettes, this is not a heavy imposition.

Since we publish 45,000 titles every year, we would in 10 years have almost a half-million books that need not be scanned, because the work is done by the authors.

How would these authors be compensated? Mr. Rothman, I regret to report, says this would be done by a new tax, on television sets, which however would amount to only \$3.50 a year if the television lasted five years. Mr. Rothman also envisions low subscription fees based on family income.

TeleRead would pay writers a royalty based on the frequency their books were called up. We could use the same machines for "smart" electronic forms, through which millions could fill income taxes and handle other federal, state and local transactions, saving oodles of money.

Andrew Carnegie, if he were alive, would probably buy TeleRead from Mr. Rothman for \$1, developed the whole idea at his own expense, and then make a gift of it to the American people.

It is a bracing idea, the notion that a student could go to the public library and read via TeleRead any book he wished to read, or any magazine. That, a few years down the line, the young people would have TeleRead computers of their own, even as everyone now has a television set. And the same computer car would make it possible for you not only to summon the text of Martin Luther King's dream speech, but also to hear his voice recite it.

It will surely happen. There is no doubt that Mr. Rothman will be alive when it does, as he is about to celebrate his second wedding anniversary.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, May 26, the 146th day of 1993. There are 219 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 26, 1868, the Senate impeachment trial of President Andrew Johnson ended with his acquittal as the Senate fell one vote short of the two-thirds majority required for conviction.

On this date:

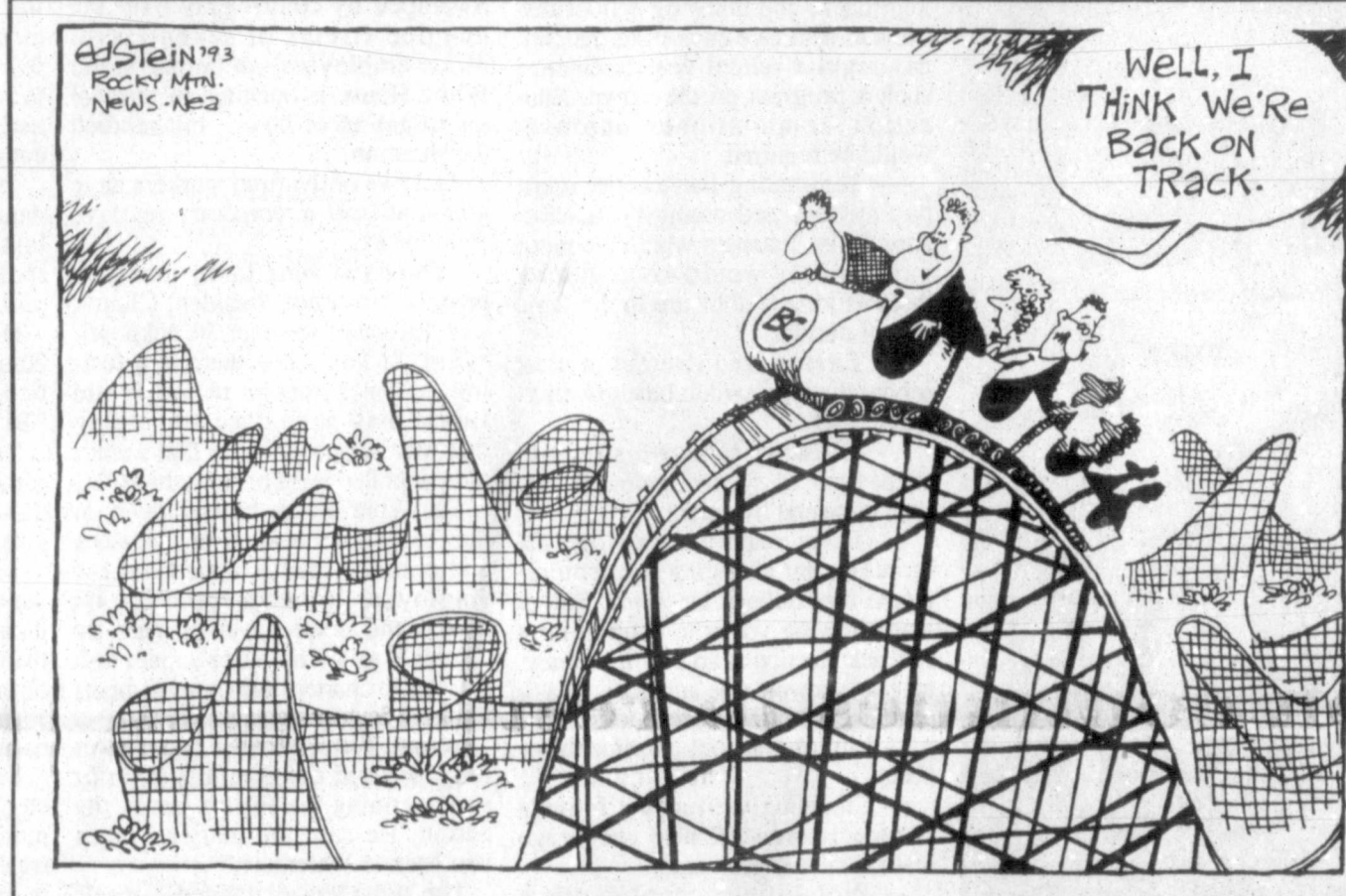
In 1521, Martin Luther was banned by the Edict of Worms because of his religious beliefs and writings.

In 1805, Napoleon Bonaparte was crowned king of Italy.

In 1865, arrangements were made in New Orleans for the surrender of Confederate forces west of the Mississippi.

In 1913, Actors' Equity Association was organized.

In 1940, the evacuation of Allied troops from Dunkirk, France, during World War II began.



Toward brighter tomorrows

The Green Lights Program of the Environmental Protection Agency is intended to encourage the most prudent use of electricity for lighting.

The MacArthur Foundation of Chicago in cooperation with Commonwealth Edison accepted the challenge.

The foundation is headquartered in the Marquette Building, which it owns.

While it was the first million-dollar building in the city in 1894, upgrading since has been periodic and less than comprehensive.

The foundation, much concerned with world environmental issues, recognized that its own headquarters was less than energy-efficient.

Early in 1991 the foundation undertook to reconfigure existing floors to maximize space use and productivity.

At the same time a lighting review was commissioned. It was discovered that makeshift retrofit lighting was not environmentally friendly.

A more detailed lighting survey was undertaken. More comprehensive than an energy audit, this survey included evaluation of daylight, location of windows, ambient lighting, task lighting, accent lighting, work-station conditions.

The result was a startling comparison between



Paul Harvey

the building's present and potential use of watts per square foot.

By reducing its connected lighting load to 1.2 watts per square foot, the foundation has reduced its electricity bills a dramatic 46 percent, has improved employee performance and has cut its carbon dioxide emissions by 273,000 pounds a year!

It will also save 29 tons of a coal a year.

Foundations are frequently criticized for favoring esoteric studies over pragmatic investments, but this one, of which I happened to be a board member, has been willing not just to "point the way" but to help "show the way" to brighter tomorrows.

The MacArthur Foundation is one of 681 participants in the Green Lights Program, investing \$15.2

million in upgrading lighting which will promptly repay the investment and pay dividends thereafter.

Individual households can benefit from the new lighting technologies. You can reduce your electric bill.

Twenty-five percent of all electricity generated in the United States is used for lighting, and the newest fluorescent light bulbs are 75 percent more efficient than ordinary light bulbs.

Similarly, new refrigerators use 80 percent to 90 percent less energy than those built 10 years ago.

Microwave ovens use 90 percent less energy than gas ovens.

Thirteen percent of your present electric bill heats water.

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Forty electric utilities in 27 states are now offering prepaid electricity. A computer device is attached to your electric meter, connected to a small display terminal in your home.

You buy a card worth a dollar amount of electricity at a convenience store, place the card into the powerstat and enjoy "pay as you go" electricity. No more meter reading, no more bill collecting — and those considerable savings can be yours.

NCAA on wrong kind of mission

When I heard that Dick Schultz had resigned, my mind surged with clichés about people who ride tigers and people who get hoisted by their own petards.

Schultz, for those who do not follow sports, is the executive director of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the confederation that regulates the games played by institutions of higher learning. Before he took the NCAA job in 1997, he was the athletic director at the University of Virginia. During his tenure there, it now turns out, a booster club improperly loaned money to student athletes. Schultz claims he knew nothing of the loans, but will resign to protect the NCAA's credibility.

It befits Schultz's image to abdicate as act of principle. He is a lay preacher and a deeply religious man. He touts standards, reform and purity in athletic programs. He believes in stern retribution for offenders. When he left the University of Virginia, Business Week magazine headlined its story, "Mr. Clean Comes to the NCAA." When he quit the NCAA, The Washington Post described him as a man "who built a reputation based on integrity during a 40-year career in college sports."

I have a different opinion — one shared, perhaps, by one person in a thousand. I think the NCAA is a capricious, imperious, heartless, obtuse organization dedicated to the promulgation of arcane, complicated and arbitrarily enforced rules. And I think Dick Schultz is a wowsler, a Lord Protector bent on rooting out the wicked. He has not been regulating college sports so much as he has



Joseph Spear

been on a moral crusade.

That's what I think.

Before I go on, I wish the record to show that I believe college sports are in dire need of regulation. I believe that university presidents should control athletic departments. I believe the money they generate should be used to support the institutions at large. I believe that athletes should be held to the same academic standards as the general student population. And I believe that corruption should be punished.

I speak of real corruption — cash payoff, free cars, changing grades, cheating on exams. But too many times, the infractions are minor, yet they are probed — and sometimes punished — as if they were tantamount to felony. To wit:

— When two basketball players at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas posed in expensive suits for a Sports Illustrated spread, the NCAA investigated to see if they were participating in an advertisement.

Why? Because the magazine identified the manufacturer of their suits in the photo credits.

— When Duke University basketball player Christian Laettner agreed to keep a diary of his senior year for possible publication in GP magazine — after his graduation — the NCAA swooped down to check whether he had signed a contract. "I don't think we would distinguish between an oral or written agreement," solemnly intoned one NCAA official.

— When the University of Maryland investigated itself and found that its basketball team had violated some rules, the coach under whom tutelage the wrongs occurred was fired and the file was turned over to the NCAA with a plea for mercy. The NCAA responded by pummeling the school with three years of probation, loss of two scholarships and banishment from post-season play for two years and from television for one — as a result of which the team was exiled from its own conference tournament.

And why heinous crimes has been committed? Some players had sold free game tickets. A player who had left school for academic reasons and who hoped to return was given rides to a community college. Some visiting recruits were given souvenirs and apparel by a local sports store.

Under the truth-in-packaging laws, I am compelled to disclose that I have been a Maryland basketball fan for 35 years. I do not gloat, however, over Dick Schultz's resignation.

I merely point out that there is a certain poetry to it.

Domestic industry shows its wares to Washington

By LISA ZAGAROLI
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a town accustomed to much talk and less show, U.S. automakers came equipped with the evidence: the cars they produce.

The Big Three manufacturers and the United Auto Workers union Tuesday kicked off a huge test-drive event on Capitol Hill to give lawmakers and other government officials a chance to see firsthand that U.S. vehicle quality has improved and rivals that of the Japanese.

The highlight was an appearance by President Clinton, who declared that U.S. automakers were "winning the quality race" over foreign competition.

After surveying several of the 120 models on display and looking under a few hoods, Clinton slipped behind the steering wheel of a sporty 1993 Ford Mustang convertible.

"These cars are what is best about America — increasing productivity, increasing quality and gaining market share back. The people who make them are the people who deserve our support, and this administration is determined to give it to them," he said.

The chief executive officers of Ford Motor Co., Chrysler Corp. and General Motors Corp., all on hand for the event, said the domestic industry's image problem has improved, but they still wanted to offer the proof.

"We're demonstrating to the people in Washington that the American auto industry is in every way competitive — our products, our features, our quality, our prices," Chrysler Chairman Robert Eaton said. "We're ready to take back share."

Ford Chairman Harold "Red" Poling said many lawmakers haven't visited car plants, so "the next best thing is bringing them here."

UAW President Owen Bieber echoed that. "There are people here who have never had any direct ties to the industry ... and we want them to see how dramatic change can be," he said.

Not everyone was so positive about the event.

Foreign automakers had asked to participate and were rejected despite their arguments that many foreign models are made in the United States, including the Toyota Camry, Honda Accord and Isuzu Rodeo.

"Today's dog-and-pony showcase by the Big Three is designed to win government protection of American nameplates, not American jobs," said Walter E. Huizenga, president of the American International Automobile Dealers Association.

"I think it's a slap in the face to a lot of American workers. Our team members have built quality cars for many years," said Alex Warren, senior vice president of Toyota's Georgetown, Ky., plant.



People view the Drive American Quality exhibit in Washington D.C. Tuesday.

(AP Photo)

Judge accused of putting anti-abortion rights first

By LISA PERLMAN
Associated Press Writer

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Girls who go to Planned Parenthood in Kalamazoo seeking help in getting an abortion without a parent's permission are sometimes told they would be better off heading straight for another county.

Otherwise, they stand a 1-in-3 chance of having Kalamazoo County Probate Judge Donald Halstead determine their fate.

Earlier this month, a 17-year-old who was eight weeks' pregnant came before Halstead seeking a waiver of Michigan's parental-consent law. Halstead refused to hold a hearing, as required by law, and dismissed her petition.

The case has renewed allegations that Halstead has let his personal beliefs about abortion interfere with his judicial duties almost since the start of his 13-year tenure on the bench.

In 1981, a decade before the parental-consent law took effect, Halstead was confronted with the case of an 11-year-old who was raped and impregnated by her mother's live-in companion. The girl's guardian didn't feel comfortable approving an abortion and asked for a ruling from Halstead.

Halstead delayed. By the time a federal judge ordered him to rule, the girl was 24 weeks' pregnant and Halstead said it was too late for a safe abortion. She gave birth at the age of 12.

In the recent case, Halstead said he believed a provision in the law that allows girls 17 or under to seek permission from a judge, instead of a parent, for an abortion is "unconstitutional as a violation of the rights of the minor's parents."

He did not return repeated calls for comment.

Days after Halstead refused to hear testimony from the 17-year-

old, Michigan's Court of Appeals removed him from the case. Another judge was appointed and granted the girl permission for an abortion.

The American Civil Liberties Union said it will ask Michigan's Supreme Court to bar Halstead from hearing more such cases and will also file a misconduct complaint with the Judicial Tenure Commission.

"This judge obviously has a conflict between his deeply held religious and moral opposition to abortion and, on the other hand, his civic duty as a judge to uphold the law," said Howard Simon, ACLU state executive director.

No action has been taken against him so far by the judicial conduct commission. After the 1981 case, 26 complaints against Halstead were filed with the commission. But the panel found insufficient evidence for a reprimand.

Under the Michigan law, a judge must hold a hearing within 72 hours of the girl's petition and grant the waiver if the judge decides the girl is mature enough to make her own decision or that the abortion is in her best interests.

Halstead has refused to hold those hearings in so many cases that Planned Parenthood of South Central Michigan now advises many Kalamazoo County girls to go to court in other counties, executive director Louise Safron said. Three probate judges in the county handle cases on a rotating basis.

"We advise them that they have a 1-in-3 chance of getting a judge who will not decide the case," Safron said. "What he doesn't seem to understand is that most of these girls who seek the judicial bypass have hideous home situations."

In 1991, Halstead contended parents have a right to be notified of

hearings regarding their children, even in cases in which the child has been severely abused and neglected by a parent.

Halstead, who was re-elected last fall to a third six-year term, clearly has his supporters.

"Judge Halstead may be breaking one law, but he is fulfilling the basic law of the land — the Constitution — and parents' rights are the basis of that," said Dorothy Talanda, president of Kalamazoo Right to Life.

Talanda said Halstead is not a member of Right to Life of Michigan, although in 1981 he and his wife signed their names to a full-

page Right to Life newspaper advertisement. The state group spent \$3,037 on Halstead's 1992 campaign.

Alistair Smith, a lawyer, said one reason he ran against Halstead in the last election was Halstead's handling of abortion cases.

"It was his inability to set aside his own strict moral code and make a decision in accordance with the law and the facts," said Smith, who supports abortion rights.

"To me, the very essence of being a judge is being able to make tough decisions, even when you personally may not like it. I don't think he has that capability."

Prosecution continues to rest

By CAROLYN SKORNECK
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's been two months since Attorney General Janet Reno demanded written resignations from all Republican-appointed U.S. attorneys so the Clinton administration could install its own team. But the president has yet to send the Senate any replacement nominations.

The work has lagged for many reasons, including the elaborate selection processes devised by some senators; Reno's insistence on interviewing all the candidates, who must fit a trip to Washington in their schedules; and a crowded Justice Department agenda.

Senators have sent Reno recommendations for roughly three-quarters of the 93 U.S. attorney jobs, said a department official who spoke on condition of anonymity. However, Reno has interviewed only about a dozen as she has been beset by problems ranging from the Texas cult standoff to deciding the fate of FBI Director William Sessions.

"I'm hoping the president will have the first batch of nominations going to Congress soon," said the official, defining soon as "before the end of spring."

Action seemed urgent at the beginning, as Reno asked all 77 politically appointed U.S. attorneys to submit their written resignations just 11 days after she took office. The other 16 prosecutors had already left.

Reno made that move, she told reporters March 23, so "we can begin to build a team that represents a Department of Justice that represents my views and the views of President Clinton."

But it caused controversy because some prosecutors were told unoffi-

cially they would have to leave within 10 days, even though Reno said the changes would be made "in a very orderly way that does not impact in any way on any pending matter."

In fact, one-third of the 93 offices are still being run by political appointees, with career prosecutors heading most of the others, said Justice spokeswoman Caroline Aronovitz.

As is customary, the administration turned to Democratic senators to submit nominations — as is being done in the case of the 120 vacant federal judgeships — and included a call for diversity.

"We're not getting mostly white men," the department official said. "We're definitely getting minority candidates and a good mix of men and women."

Sen. Bob Krueger of Texas recommended three white men and one black woman for the four U.S. attorney slots in his state. But aide Greg Weiner noted that five blacks, five Hispanics and four women are among Krueger's 21 choices to become U.S. attorneys, federal judges and U.S. marshals.

Senators employed various methods to find nominees, and some acted more quickly than others. For example:

—Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York wasted no time, recommending nominees in March for three U.S. attorney slots. They include federal Magistrate Zachary Carter, who would be the state's first black U.S. attorney if confirmed, and Mary Jo White, who has been mentioned as a possible nominee to head Justice's criminal division.

—Sen. Joseph Biden Jr. of Delaware, who chairs the Senate Judiciary Committee, decided to stick with the former career prose-

cutor already holding the job, William C. Carpenter Jr., even though he's a Republican originally named by President Reagan in 1985.

—California's Sen. Dianne Feinstein divided the four U.S. attorney's slots with Sen. Barbara Boxer and both had committees in each of the state's four federal court districts help them.

Feinstein's committees, made up of "people we know and people who wanted to help," screened candidates and came up with lists that went "to the state committee to make a final recommendation to Senator Feinstein," said Kam Kuwata in her Los Angeles office. Feinstein has made no recommendations yet.

Boxer had no state committee and relied on each committee's evaluations of applicants who completed a questionnaire, ultimately recommending two people after interviewing them, said Sam Chapman in her San Francisco office. He would not disclose their names, in line with a White House request.

—In Massachusetts, Sens. Edward Kennedy and John Kerry appointed a joint screening committee of 11 people who compiled a list of 16 potential candidates for the state's one U.S. attorney opening and four vacant federal judgeships, said a Kennedy aide. No final choices have been made.

—Sen. Paul Sarbanes of Maryland personally interviewed more than three dozen candidates who completed detailed questionnaires, said aide Fred Millhiser. Sarbanes did not have a screening committee, but he consulted many people, including Sen. Barbara Mikulski, the state's junior Democratic senator, and reportedly chose Mikulski's chief of staff, Lynne Battaglia, for the job.

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Food

Soybeans and lavender oil: Dubious dining or healthy eating?

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Science Writer

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Soybeans, lavender oil and orange peel might sound like the makings of a dubious dining experience, but they are high on a list of foods and vitamins being explored as ways to prevent cancer.

An emerging new field called chemoprevention is looking for ways to stop cancer by sidetracking the progression of cells from normal to malignant — a process that can take decades after exposure to a cancer-causing substance.

Experts have long noticed that people who eat lots of fruits and vegetables that are rich in vitamins and other nutrients have a lower risk of cancer. Now, they are trying to isolate the cancer-preventing chemicals in these foods to make medicines to keep people healthy.

Reports on several of these cancer-preventing strategies were presented Wednesday at a meeting of the American Association for Cancer Research.

"These are not ready to put on everyone's breakfast table yet," said Dr. Michael Sporn of the National Cancer Institute. "But this has gone from a dream and a fantasy to reality. It's very exciting."

While experts agree that food is usually the best way to get essential nutrients, highly concentrated supplements may be necessary to short-circuit cancer once damage occurs.

Dr. Ann Kennedy of the University of Pennsylvania recently began a study of a soybean deriva-

tive to prevent mouth cancer. The substance, called Bowman-Birk inhibitor, is being given to 24 people who have precancerous mouth growths that result from smoking.

The patients are taking about as much of this material as they would get from eating a quart of tofu daily. It appears to work by inhibiting a variety of enzymes known as proteases that play a role in transforming cells into cancer.

"We believe we are turning them back into normal cells," Kennedy said.

She said the approach also might be useful in protecting people at high risk of cancer of the colon, lung and breast.

Dr. Michael N. Gould of the University of Wisconsin said he hopes to begin human studies soon to test the cancer-fighting powers of plant oils. Two of these — limonene, extracted from orange peels, and perillyl alcohol, found in tiny quantities in lavender oil — have been shown to work against breast cancer in lab animals.

In animal studies, he said, "we got both the prevention of cancer and the regression of cancer."

He cautioned against trying to stay healthy by consuming orange peel or lavender oil, however. The active ingredients are found in low levels in these products. Getting enough to be useful would mean eating vast amounts of orange peels or toxic quantities of lavender oil.

Perhaps the most advanced research into chemoprevention involves synthetic forms of vitamin A. Dr. Waun Ki Hong of M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston has shown that Accutane, a

kind of vitamin A sold as a prescription acne medicine, can reverse precancerous mouth growths like those being treated experimentally with the soy derivative.

Among other reports at the meeting:

— Hong said his group is enrolling 1,000 patients in a study to see if Accutane can prevent the emergence of new cancers in people who have been successfully treated for mouth tumors. Results are expected in three to four years.

— Dr. Scott M. Lippman of M.D. Anderson is investigating whether a combination of Accutane, interferon and radiation therapy is effective against cervical cancer. A large study is planned in Latin America, where cervical cancer is especially common.

— Sporn and others are studying whether a synthetic form of vitamin D can slow the development of cancer. The approach appears to work in lab animals without the toxic effects of large quantities of natural vitamin D.

Other potential cancer-fighting nutrients include calcium, beta-carotene, tannins and selenium.

New reports show vitamins are good for the heart, as well.

In Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine, two major studies from Harvard School of Public Health showed that people who take vitamin E pills appear to cut their risk of heart disease by about 40 percent.

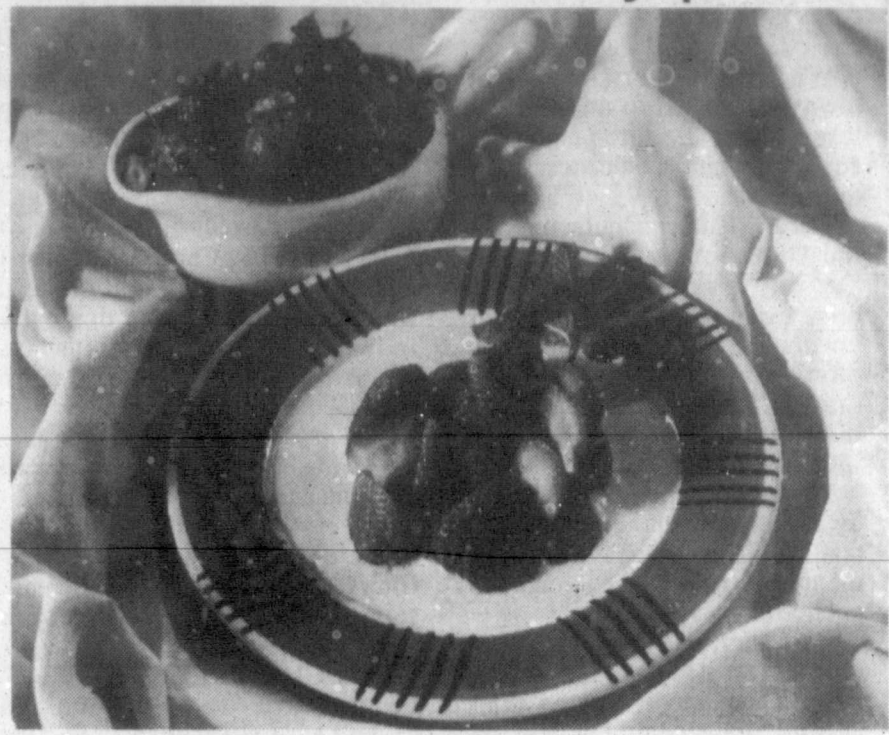
The studies were widely publicized after they were presented last November at the annual scientific meeting of the American Heart Association in New Orleans.

Strawberry: A selection for every palate

By Marialisa Calta

When it comes to strawberries, a 17th-century gentleman quoted in Izaak Walton's "The Compleat Angler" (1653) is quoted as saying: "Doubtless God could have made a better berry, but doubtless God never did."

That about sums it up for strawberries. Bon appetit!



(Photo courtesy New England Culinary Institute)

FRESH BERRIES WITH CREAMY ORANGE SAUCE

- 3 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup undiluted frozen orange juice concentrate (see note)
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons orange-flavored liqueur (such as Cointreau)
- 1 pint fresh strawberries, hulled, rinsed and drained

Place cream cheese, orange juice concentrate, milk and liqueur into blender or food processor fitted with a metal blade. Process until smooth.

Slice berries and divide them among 4 dessert dishes. Spoon sauce on top of fruit and serve.

Note: This recipe also works well with blueberries, or a mixture of strawberries and blueberries. Maria Golen, a student at the New England Culinary Institute in Essex, Vt., made a delicious version of this recipe with apricot puree substituted for the juice concentrate, and suggests other substitutes such as orange marmalade or apricot jam.

Yield: 4 servings.
* Recipe from "The 5 in 10 Cookbook," by Paula J. Hamilton (Hearst Books, 1993).

GLAZED STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE TART

- Crust:**
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
 - 1/2 tablespoon sugar
 - 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 5 tablespoons butter, cut into 8 pieces
 - 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons milk

- Filling:**
- 1 pint strawberries, rinsed and hulled
 - 1/2 cup strawberry jelly
 - 1 tablespoon dry red or white wine or water
 - 1 cup whipped cream (optional)

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. In a mixing bowl, whisk or stir together flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Use your fingers or 2 knives or a pastry blender to cut in the butter until mixture resembles coarse meal. Add milk and stir to make a soft dough. (This can also be done in a food processor.)

Using floured hands, turn dough out onto a lightly floured surface and knead 6-8 times, until smooth. Press dough into a 9-inch tart pan or pie plate, pressing the sides above the rim and, if using a pie plate, fluting the edges.

Bake crust for 8-10 minutes, until golden brown. Crust will puff somewhat during baking, but prick bottom with a fork if it puffs up unevenly. Let shell cool at least 10 minutes before filling; it should be slightly warm when berries are added.

Slice berries vertically, from point to hull. Arrange slices, overlapping, to completely cover bottom of tart shell. In a small, non-aluminum saucepan, heat jelly with wine just until jelly melts. Brush warm glaze generously over berries.

Refrigerate at least 30 minutes or up to 4 hours before serving. Serve with a dollop of whipped cream, if desired.

Yield: 8 servings.
* Recipe from "Cheap Eats," by Brooke Dojny and Melanie Barnard (HarperPerennial, 1993).

CONCASSE OF FRESH STRAWBERRIES

- 3 pints strawberries, rinsed and hulled
- 1/2 cup juice of 1 lemon
- 2-4 tablespoons mild-flavored honey, to taste
- juice of 1 orange

FRESH BERRIES with Creamy Orange Sauce are an old favorite.

- 1 1/2 tablespoons good-quality kirsch or apricot eau de vie
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh mint
- mint leaves for garnish

Divide berries in half, placing all the less-than-perfect berries in one batch and the more attractive berries in the other.

Cut large berries from the more-perfect batch into halves or quarters. Toss berries in this batch with lemon juice and 1-2 tablespoons honey, to taste. Cover and refrigerate.

Meanwhile, place the less-than-perfect berries in a mixing bowl. Using an electric mixer, or fork or pestle, crush the berries to a coarse puree. Beat in the orange juice, kirsch (or eau de vie) and the remaining 1-2 tablespoons honey (to taste). Set aside until ready to serve. This can be done hours in advance and stored, covered, in refrigerator.

Just before serving, stir chopped mint into the crushed berries. To serve, ladle a generous portion of the crushed berries into each bowl. Mix the more-perfect strawberries in their bowl, and add them to each serving. Garnish with fresh mint leaves.

Yield: 4-6 servings.
* Recipe from "Feasts and Fetes," by Martha Rose Shulman (Chapters, 1992).

STRAWBERRY SOUP

- 1 pound fresh strawberries, rinsed and hulled
- 1 cup apple cider or apple juice
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tablespoons honey
- 1/2 tablespoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon grated nutmeg
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 3 tablespoons port wine
- strawberry slices and sour cream, for garnish

To soften ice before serving, puree for a few seconds in a chilled food processor bowl. Serve immediately.

Yield: 2 cups.
* Recipe from "Heartland," by Marcia Adams (Clarkson Potter, 1991).

In a food processor fitted with a metal blade, puree the strawberries thoroughly. Add the cider, cinnamon, honey, sugar and nutmeg, and pulse to mix. Remove to a bowl and chill until ready to serve. Just before serving, whisk in the cream and wine. Serve in chilled bowls and garnish with strawberry slices and sour cream.

Yield: 8 cups.
* Recipe from "Heartland," by Marcia Adams (Clarkson Potter, 1991).

STRAWBERRY ICE

- 7 cups fresh strawberries, washed and hulled
- 2 cups sugar
- 1/4 cups fresh-squeezed orange juice
- 1 cup fresh-squeezed lemon juice

In a blender, or food processor fitted with a metal blade, puree strawberries, working in batches if necessary. In a large bowl, combine puree with sugar, orange and lemon juice. Let stand at room temperature for 2 hours. Pour into a 9-inch-square pan and put in freezer. (At this point, the ice can be finished in an ice cream machine, following manufacturer's instructions.)

When mixture is frozen about 1 inch on all sides of the pan (this takes about 1 hour), transfer to a mixing bowl and beat with electric mixer until mushy. Return mixture to pan and freeze again for about 45 minutes, until slightly frozen. Transfer back to mixer bowl, and beat again. Return to pan and freeze until firm. (You can make this a day in advance; freeze, covered with plastic wrap, overnight.)

To soften ice before serving, puree for a few seconds in a chilled food processor bowl. Serve immediately.

Yield: 2 cups.
* Recipe from "Heartland," by Marcia Adams (Clarkson Potter, 1991).

Survey reveals barbecuers cover country

New Yorkers put their barbecue grill on the terrace. Californians like theirs out by the pool. Minnesotans dig theirs out from under the snow. And Oregonians make sure theirs are environmentally correct. Barbecuing is one of America's best-loved activities, whether it's grilling hamburgers for a Fourth of July get-together or preparing shish-kabob for two. And while the barbecue may burn long and hot as the ultimate symbol of Americana, each region has its own very distinct ideas about grilling.

"The Weber Grill Watch Survey results indicate Americans love to barbecue," said Betty Hughes, consumer affairs director of Weber-Stephens Products Co., which annually commissions the survey. "But this year's survey has shown us an additionally interesting fact. We've learned that we are a nation united in grilling passion but divided in barbecue traditions."

East to West, North to South, this is how the grilling traditions map out:

Who Taught You How to Grill?
• Californians are self-taught grillers, with an even 50 percent of barbecuers learning the skill by themselves.

• Midwesterners are mostly self-taught barbecuers, but when they seek help, they rely on Mom more often than Dad.

• One out of 10 Northwesterners and Southerners have used an instruction manual for their grilling education.

• Dear old Dad taught more than one-third of all Southerners and Southwesterners how to barbecue, more than in any other region.

Your First Barbecue Grill
• Most Americans buy their first grill while in their early twenties, at an average age of 24.4.

• Midwesterners are the youngest grill owners, purchasing theirs at the average age of 23.2.

• Northeasters wait the longest to acquire their barbecues, 25.6 years.

Why Barbecue — Motivation is Key

• Sixty-one percent of Northwesterners rave about the delicious smoky flavor or barbecued food; by contrast only 36 percent of Southerners gave the same reason.

• Nearly half of all Californian grillers, 46 percent, like to take advantage of their great weather and cook outdoors; in fact, they are the only region in the nation to claim this as the primary reason for grilling; nearly one-fourth of all Midwesterners feel the same way.

• More than one-third of Northwesterners and Northeasters prefer to barbecue because it keeps the kitchen clean and results in fewer dishes to wash.

• Southerners barbecue as a means of entertaining more than in any other region.

• Twenty-two percent of Northwesterners grill outdoors because it keeps the heat out of the kitchen.

Local Foods on the Grill

• Northwesterners take advantage

of the abundance of the Pacific Northwest Salmon in their grilling practices and barbecue that fish more than any other food.

• Unpredictably, the survey found that Southerners cook fajitas on the grill more than any other region.

• Midwestern barbecue favorites include both bratwurst and ribs.

• Californians more often opt to grill seafood found off the coastal shore.

• Barbecued beef is at the top of most grilling menus in the South-west.

• Northeasters and Southerners share a preference for grilled chicken.

Beyond Burgers — A Look at Side Dishes

• Southwesterners most often serve potato salad, potatoes and corn at their barbecues.

• Northwesterners also dine on potato salad and vegetables, but prefer chips over corn.

• One in five Californians serve rice at a barbecue, more than anywhere else in the nation.

• Southerners served baked potatoes and baked beans more than any other region.

• Although only 10 percent of Midwesterners polled serve fruit at the meal, they do so more than anywhere else.

• Fourteen percent of all Northeastern barbecues will feature macaroni salad as a side dish, a recipe that is almost never served in the South.

Home cooks select favorite recipe book

NEW YORK (AP) — This year, the International Association of Culinary Professionals invited home cooks to vote for their favorite cookbook.

Nearly 5,000 ballots were cast and the winner is: "Cooking Smart: Recipes, Tips, and Techniques for Really Using the Time-Saving, Work-Saving Gadgets in Your Kitchen to Create Delicious Food" by Sharon Tyler Herbst (HarperCollins).

The Cooks' Choice Award was presented to Herbst at the 15th annual conference of the IACP, a nonprofit professional organization, in New Orleans. Herbst's cookbook was among 33 nominated in 11 categories for this year's Julia Child Cookbook Awards for books copyrighted and published in 1992.

The winner of this year's Best Cookbook of the Year award is "The Splendid Table: Recipes from Emilia-Romagna, the Heartland of Northern Food" by Lynne Rossetto Kasper (William Morrow).

the 11 first-place winners.

The Julia Child Cookbook Awards were sponsored by Thermador and judged by a jury of 33 food and beverage professionals. The awards are designed to encourage and promote quality and creativity in writing and publishing, and to expand public awareness of culinary literature. Winners in each category are:

American: "New York Cookbook" by Molly O'Neill (Workman Publishing).

Bread, Other Baking and Sweets: "Home for the Holidays: Festive Baking with Whole Grains" by Ken Haedrich (Bantam Books).

First Book: The Julia Child Award: "The Splendid Table: Recipes from Emilia-Romagna, the Heartland of Northern Food" by Lynne Rossetto Kasper (William Morrow).

Food Reference-Technical: "The Encyclopedia of Herbs, Spices and Flavorings" by Elisabeth Lambert Ortiz (Dorling Kindersley).

General: "Back to Square One: Old-World Food in a New-World

Kitchen" by Joyce Goldstein (William Morrow).

Health and Diet: "Graham Kerr's Minimax Cookbook: Illustrated Step-by-Step Techniques Plus 150 All-New Minimax Recipes to Guarantee Minimum Risk and Maximum Flavor in Everything You Cook" by Graham Kerr (Doubleday).

Illustrated-Photography: "France: A Culinary Journey," various contributors, photography by Peter Johnson (Collins Publishers San Francisco).

International: "China Moon Cookbook" by Barbara Tropp (Workman Publishing).

Literary Food Writing: "Outlaw Cook" by John Thorne, with Matt Lewis Thorne, (Farrar Straus Giroux).

Single Subject: "A Glorious Harvest: Robust Recipes from the Dairy, Pasture, Orchard, and Sea" by Henrietta Green (Sedgewood Press).

Wine, Beer, or Spirits: "The Wine Atlas of Spain" by Hubrecht Duijker (Simon & Schuster).

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Lifestyles

Accidents claim lives yearly

Accidents claimed more than 88,000 lives last year, and one in three Americans suffered an illness or injury requiring treatment in a hospital emergency department.

The Pampa, White Deer and Borger operations of American Medical Transport, along with Lefors EMS, Miami EMS, McLean EMS, Skellytown EMS and Groom EMS encouraging schools, businesses and community groups to set aside National Emergency Medical Services Week which continues through Saturday as a time to learn how to recognize and respond to a medical emergency.

To assist residents, businesses and organizations in conducting emergency medical preparedness programs, AMT of Pampa and White Deer is offering CPR and first aid classes. Contact Paramedic James Shook at 665-6551 for more information.



DID YOU KNOW?
1991 National EMS Statistics
Total number of emergency medical service providers — 750,000
Approximate number of EMS technicians — 500,000
Percent of prehospital EMS personnel who are volunteer — 80 percent
Number of emergency physicians — 25,000

Number of emergency nurses — 70,000
Number of emergency departments — 4,908
Emergency department visits — 93,469,930
percent by children — 33 percent
percent by elderly — 15 percent
percent arriving by ambulance — 16 percent
Percent of hospital admissions arriving through emergency department — 40 percent
Percent of emergency departments reporting overcrowding on a weekly basis — 34 percent on a monthly basis — 55 percent
Rank of heart disease as cause of death for all persons — one
Rank of unintentional injury as the cause of death for all persons — four for ages 1-37 — one
Deaths due to unintentional injury — 88,000

Piano students plan recital this evening

Piano students of Bill Haley will present a program at 7 p.m. today in Tarpley Recital Hall.

Performing will be Meredith Hendrick, Morgan White, Claire Hampton, Michael Thornhill, Marcy Hansen, Jennifer Thornhill, Peggy Williams, Marcy Pratt, Andrew Berzanskis, Faustine Curry and Bobby Venal.

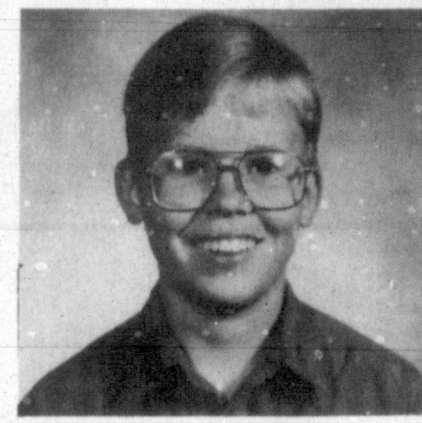
Awards are to be presented to those entering the Greater Southwest Music Festival and the yearly competition sponsored by West Texas State University. Also National Guild of Piano Playlists' citations will be handed out.

The recital is open to the public. Marcy Pratt is a graduating senior and plans to attend Texas Tech with a double major in music education and English. She would like to teach music or



Marcy Pratt

English in elementary school. Pratt graduated in the top 12 percent of her class with an overall grade point average of 3.27. During her school years she was a member of National Honor Society, the Pampa Concert Choir, Pampa Show Choir, Key

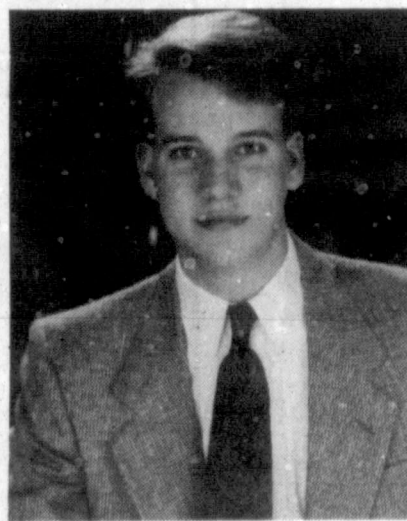


Michael Thornhill

Club and the junior varsity tennis program. Other interests include racquetball, tennis and snow skiing. Pratt was a dance student with Madeline Graves for eight years until age 13. She is active in the church program at Briarwood.

Newsmakers

Necoe Stone, 19, daughter of Norman and Robbie Stone, made the President's List by achieving a 4.0 carrying 20 hours work at Clarendon College this spring. Last fall she made the Dean's List at West Texas A&M. Stone is a 1992 graduate of Pampa High School. She is majoring in business.



Alex Hallerberg

Alexander Kirk Hallerberg, son of Dr. and Mrs. W.L. Hallerberg, received a bachelor of science degree in aerospace engineering from the University of Colorado in Boulder May 14.

He served on the University of Colorado Engineering Council and was a member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics and the Society for Automotive Engineers.

Hallerberg is a 1988 PHS graduate. Tracy Dawn Webb, Pampa, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll at the University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, Okla. She recorded a 3.25 or better grade point average.

Steve Sanders, Pampa, was named to the President's Honor Roll at the University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, Okla. Those named to the President's Honor Roll recorded a 4.0 grade point average for the semester.

Jake B. Johnson, son of Paul and Sherla Johnson, has completed his second year at Tarrant County Junior College. He was listed on the Dean's List this semester with a 3.8 grade point average and a cumulative GPA of 3.67 for two years work.

Degrees were awarded to the final graduating class of West Texas State University on May 8. Beginning June 1, graduates will hold degrees from West Texas A&M University. Earning degrees in WTSU's final commencement were Bret L.

Begert, Allison, bachelor of science degree in kinesiology-physical education; Angelica M. Purcell, McLean, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies; Janet S. Bilyeu, bachelor of science in nursing; Michael D. Davis, bachelor of science in criminal justice administration; Brenda L. Graham, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies, cum laude; Anita D. Grice, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies, Christina E. Hall, bachelor of science in social work; Starla S. Kindle, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies, cum laude; Melanie D. Langford, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies, cum laude; Jodie L. Slater, bachelor of science in nursing; Ronny S. Stokes, bachelor of science in biology, cum laude; John T. Tuttle, bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies, Pampa; Troy R. Gandy, bachelor business administration in marketing; Stacy R. Knoll, bachelor of general studies, Shamrock; Kelli B. Sabbe, bachelor of science in nursing; Donald S. Whiteley, bachelor of science in kinesiology-physical education and history; Wheeler; Katherine J. Imel, bachelor of science in biology; Gary M. Jack, bachelor of science in biology II and history, White



Necoe Stone

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Pampans named to the West Texas State University Honor Roll for the spring 1993 semester were Karen A. Barnes, a junior in nursing; Stacie L. Brainard, senior in reading; Brandi E. Cayce, senior in reading; Pamela D. Dacus, junior in psychology; Derik W. Dalton, senior in biology; Amy R. Edwards, senior in mathematics; Richard A. Fields, sophomore in pre-engineering; Loretta Flaherty, senior in reading; Erin P. Frye, sophomore in pre-medicine; Jason H. Garren, senior in kinesiology-physical education; Sandra K. Holley, senior in social work; Jennifer K. Honderich, senior in reading; Mitzi R. Hupp, junior in mathematics; Lisa K. Kenner, senior in nursing; Mary J. Long, sophomore in music therapy; Kimberly D. McClellan, junior in nursing; Amanda L. Miller, sophomore in nursing; Bear Mills, senior in reading; Stephanie A. Moore, sophomore in reading; Robbie J. Morris, junior in pre-pharmacy; Jodie L. Slater, post bachelors in nursing; Ronny S. Stokes, post bachelors in biology; Michelle D. Tapp senior in English and Misty A. Townson, senior in reading.

Club News

Altrusa International Inc. of Pampa met May 3 in the Senior Citizens Center. President Brenda Tucker called the meeting to order and president-elect presented her theme for 1993-1994, "Set Sail for Service."

Dorla McAndrew, program coordinator, distributed work sheets for documenting programs for the coming year. The five committees — community service, literacy, vocational services, international relations, Altrusa information — met in groups for planning. Myrna Orr and the Altrusa information committee furnished refreshments and door prizes.

The business meeting was held May 10 at Coronado Inn with Judy Warner presiding.

Donna Turner reported on the sister club in Wellington, New Zealand. Martha Boyd was appointed to represent Altrusa on the Top O' Texas Household Hazardous Waste Committee. Chaney conducted an initiation service for new member Joann Fleetwood.

Pampa Art Club met May 18 in the home of Pat Kindle at Walnut Creek.

A discussion was held on the success of the annual Guest Day Tea and a discussion of plans for next year's tea were made. Cile Taylor installed the officers for the next year by using quilt pieces to build a quilt block. The new officers are Jessie Newberry, president; Tommie Grant, vice president; Alice Raymond, secretary-treasurer; Virginia Archer, historian; and Betty Fletcher, reporter. Hostesses were Pat Kindle and Erma Lee Barber. The next meeting is set for noon on the third Tuesday in September.

Xi Alpha Alpha Chi



Elected as officers of Xi Alpha Alpha Chi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi for the 1993-1994 year are Debbie Mitchell, seated, left, recording secretary; Kerri Weatherly, city council representative; and Rhonda Rains, president, standing left are Kim Lancaster, vice president; Brenda Knutson, corresponding secretary; and Lisa Crossman, treasurer.

Woman's Bogus name creates real problems

DEAR ABBY: Do you think you can stand one more letter about peculiar names? If so, my last name is Bogus. That's right — I am a genuine Bogus.

Three times I was unable to cash a perfectly good check because my name is Bogus. Clerks are embarrassed to call out my name when it's my turn. Nobody believes it's pronounced the way it looks.

I've been called Bogart, Vogers, Logan, Boggs, even Boogers. No kidding!

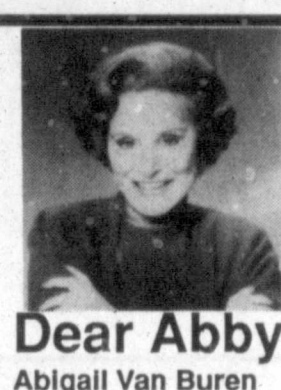
While some comments are rather insulting, it's kind of fun to have an unusual name. When someone exclaims, "Bogus?" I must reassure them that it is my real name.

I have even been asked, "Why haven't you changed your name — don't you know that bogus means fake or bad?" I then explain that I am neither fake nor bad; I am totally and authentically Bogus.

JOANNE C. BOGUS, CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

P.S. I have quit explaining to people that the name was originally Boguslaski in Poland, but when my family left Poland for America, they shortened it to Bogus. Sometimes I wonder if maybe they should have left it Boguslaski. What do you think?

DEAR JOANNE: I think you



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

had better stick with Bogus. It's easier to pronounce, spell and remember.

DEAR ABBY: Yesterday, my 4-year-old daughter took a nasty spill and hit her face on our coffee table as she was going down. She now has a black eye and a terrible bruise on her cheek. It is very noticeable.

This morning, out of fear of being accused of child abuse, I canceled the time I had reserved for her at the day-care center. I knew they would ask me what happened to her, and the truth sounds like such a lie!

Abby, I could never abuse my child. She is my pride and joy, but these days, parents are held respon-

sible for every bump or bruise on a child's face or body. Sure, some parents do go too far, and suspicions are raised and must be explained, but this is getting like the Salem witch hunts all over again.

Do you think it's all in my head and I shouldn't have kept her out of school? I really had nothing to hide, but she did look as though she had been abused. All it takes is a whisper, a rumor, a suspicion, and the child welfare people will be calling on you and asking a lot of questions.

COLORADO MOTHER
DEAR MOTHER: If, as you explained, the child fell and hit her face on the coffee table, you had nothing to hide; therefore, you should not have kept her out of school.

DEAR ABBY: The letters about kids wetting their pants in school reminded me of an incident I experienced when I taught second-grade children in a Catholic school.

I noticed a little boy squirming in his seat ... then I saw a puddle on the floor under his desk. I walked over to him and whispered quietly, "Honey, did you have an accident?" He looked at me and replied, "No. I did it on purpose."

KATHERINE H. KELLY, FALL RIVER, MASS.

Electronics go on underwater treasure hunts

By TOWN & COUNTRY For AP Special Features

The latest advances in underwater electronic devices and salvage equipment are helping divers locate Spanish and other sunken treasure ships and bring their precious cargoes to the auction block.

At least 1,000 wrecks are believed to be lying in the treacherous Rio de la Plata waters in Uruguay, Jerry E. Patterson wrote in an article in the current issue of *Town & Country*, sunk after navigators ran up on submerged reefs and shifting sand bars.

One find, discovered in 1991 and auctioned this year, had a presale estimate at Sotheby's New York of between \$2.5 and \$3 million. It contained more than 1,600 18th-century gold coins, 320 silver coins, 40 gold ingots and two engraved gold boxes.

The vessel, the name of which researchers have not yet discovered, was one of thousands of Spanish treasure ships that sailed the Rio de la Plata after the conquest of Peru until the wars of independence from Spain in the early 19th century. The inflow of precious metals supported Spain's economy and political power.

Each year, two fleets sailed for Spain loaded with coins and pure gold in the form of ingots. Traveling in convoys for protection against pirates and warships — especially the British — the northern fleet sailed from Caribbean ports laden with treasure from Mexico and Central America. The southern fleet sailed on the Rio de la Plata, carrying gold and silver from Peru, Bolivia and Chile.

Locating and bringing up the remains of these ships demands skill, persistence and courage — especially in the Rio de la Plata. The river accumulates enormous quantities of silt along its 170-mile course to the Atlantic, and its waters are extremely murky. Divers do not work by sight, as in the Caribbean, but by feel.

Tom Altez, 21, the diving team

member who found the first coin from the Uruguayan wreck, said divers "work with bare hands for sensitivity of touch, to be able to distinguish between a pebble and a coin."

The salvage expedition that discovered the Uruguayan treasure was organized by Ruben Collado, 55, an Argentine salvor working under a license from the Uruguayan government, which splits proceeds 50-50 with the salvor.

Treasure hunting as we know it started in the late 1940s when a group calling itself the Real-8 Co. began diving in Florida waters. Only in 1962 did they start to haul in amazing recoveries at Sebastian Inlet. One find was a gold whistle made in China that was worn as the emblem of office of the captain-general of the Fleet. It sold for

\$50,000 at Sotheby's in 1967.

Since then, there have been sales of cargoes from the waters of the Western Hemisphere, the China Sea and even British territorial waters.

In 1983, Captain Michael Hatcher, who specializes in recovering cargoes from ships sunk in Asian waters, found a wreck containing 25,000 pieces of Chinese porcelain. Christie's sold the porcelain for \$2.2 million.

In 1985, he found the remains of a Dutch East Indian named Geldermalsen that sank in 1752 near Java. Its cargo consisted of 150,000 pieces of Chinese porcelain and 126 gold ingots. There were more than 50,000 tea bowls and saucers alone. Christie's Amsterdam received more than 125,000 bidding commissions and the \$15.2 million total was by far the largest amount ever.

MEMORIAL DAY EARLY DEADLINES

CLASSIFIED LINE ADS

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Comic Page

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Football org.
4 Land measures
9 Gridder org.
12 Sgt.
13 Shaggy
14 — and me
15 Genus of ants
17 Child's sock
19 Grand — National Park
21 Cry of dove
22 Employs
24 Recent (pret.)
26 Again
29 Bad-tempered
31 Plot of soil
33 So (Scot.)
34 Letter
35 Help
37 Brown kiwi
39 Yes, in Spain
40 Precious stone
42 Opp. of post

DOWN

1 Compass pt.
2 Communications agcy.
3 Hang around
4 Cat on —

44 Fruit drink
46 Emerald Isle
48 Entertainer — Sumac
50 Bats
51 Steal
53 Scoff
55 Of the eyes
58 Hanging ornament
61 Mesh
62 Cancel
64 Jackie's 2nd husband
65 Wide shoe size
66 King with golden touch
67 Confederate general

Answer to Previous Puzzle

FLA	ZILCH	FLO
UAW	IRENE	RAP
MINNOW	NABORS	
IONIC	TIT	
BIND	NRA	SHEA
ANGEL	YAK	YAP
LT	SOT	RIO
ERA	TIP	DIMES
RACE	NTH	LUSH
TET	AEDS	
KAOLIN	LADLED	
ERR	DICED	IOU
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WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

ECK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

B.C.

By Johnny Hart

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

SNAFU

By Bruce Beattie

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

CALVIN AND HOBBS

By Bill Watterson

THE BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

PEANUTS

By Charles M. Schulz

GARFIELD

By Jim Davis

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Others will only respect your opinions today if you first find some merit in theirs. If you discount their views, they won't put any stock in yours. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) There is a possibility that someone who took advantage of you previously might try to take advantage of you again today. If you are roped in a second time, it will be your own fault.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be careful today not to bring up an issue upon which you and your mate are diametrically opposed. This issue has the potential to create an extremely serious argument that will be difficult to resolve.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If your motives are too self-serving and materialistic today, this could have a deleterious effect on an objective you hope to achieve that requires support from others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Expensive, pleasurable pursuits aren't guaranteed to provide you with happiness today. In fact, your best chance for having fun is simply being with your good friends.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You will have the motivation and drive today, but you could fall short of fulfilling your expectations by doing things the hard way. Don't make problems for yourself where none exist.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Usually you're a rather optimistic person, but today your mental focus could be on negatives rather than positives. Where you place emphasis has a great influence over the bottom line.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If your present financial position is a bit shaky, don't take on any new, long-term obligations at this time. In a little while, things will be more lucrative.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You are one of the signs that get along well with people from all walks of life. Today, however, you might have a chip on your shoulder and experience some abrasive encounters.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Things might not work out too well for you today if you attempt to be the power behind the throne, guiding events from behind the scenes. Be an upfront person and let people know where you stand.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you are going to take a gamble on anyone today, take it on yourself and your abilities. There are strong indications that your hopes and expectations might be dashed betting on pals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Guard against using methods or tactics on subordinates today that tend to be a bit heavy-handed. The results could be undesirable and, besides, more can be accomplished with a light touch.

Sports

Knicks take 2-0 lead against Bulls

By BILL BARNARD
AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Knicks have a formula that works: shut down Michael Jordan in the second half.

It worked in Game 1 and it worked again in Game 2 Tuesday night when the Knicks built and nearly lost another big lead in the fourth quarter before putting away the Chicago Bulls.

The result was a 96-91 victory and 2-0 lead in the best-of-7 Eastern Conference finals.

Patrick Ewing scored 26 points, Doc Rivers had 21 and John Starks smashed home a crucial dunk in the final minute, stifling a Bulls rally that came after Scottie Pippen was ejected midway through the final period.

"He just kept elevating and elevating," Rivers said of Starks' soaring slam. "It was tremendous."

The Bulls closed within three points four times down the stretch and twice had a chance to make it a one-point margin in the last minute, but Bill Cartwright missed 3 of 4 free throws.

Jordan scored 36 points but again came up empty on shots that could have put further pressure on the Knicks, who led by 14 points at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Jordan missed 20 of 32 shots and was 5 for 16 in the second half. He is 22 for 59 in the two games.

"We just have to keep trying to contain him," New York coach Pat Riley said. "We weathered the storm."

Pippen had 17 points before being ejected with 7:34 left for throwing a ball at referee Bill Oakes.

Two-time defending champion Chicago, undefeated in the first two rounds of the playoffs, now faces two must-win situations at home on Saturday and Monday.

"When you come right down to it all we did is hold service," Riley said. "Now it shifts there. They have their crowd and their lasers."

But even if they win those games, the Bulls have to win at least once at Madison Square Garden if they are to advance to the NBA Finals and become just the third franchise with three consecutive championships.

That task is looking increasingly difficult for any team. The Knicks have won 27 consecutive games at home, including all seven in the playoffs after going 37-4 in the regular season.

Trailing by two early in the second half, New York took control with a 22-6 run in which Rivers scored seven points and all five Knicks

starters scored. Starks' 3-pointer with 3:35 left completed the spurt and gave New York a 71-57 lead.

"Our overall defense in the third quarter was the key," Riley said. "We were up, not just on. The guys were extending the defense and they didn't get a lot of good looks."

Added Rivers: "Every time they tried to make a run in the third quarter, somebody different stepped up."

Two baskets by Pippen and one by Jordan helped the Bulls close within 10, but they missed four free throws between them late in the period, and the Knicks took a 77-63 advantage into the final 12 minutes.

After Pippen's ejection, the Bulls closed within seven, then trailed by nine when Jordan was fouled hard on a drive by Greg Anthony, who was ejected by Oakes for the flagrant foul.

Jordan's final basket of the game, with 2:49 left, made it 86-83, and the Bulls also made it 89-86, 91-88 and 93-90 before Cartwright's free throw made it 93-91 with 15 seconds left. Starks' spectacular left-handed baseline dunk gave the Knicks a 93-88 advantage with 47 seconds remaining.

But Charles Oakley, who had 16 rebounds, hit 3 of 4 free throws in the final 12 seconds to complete the scoring.

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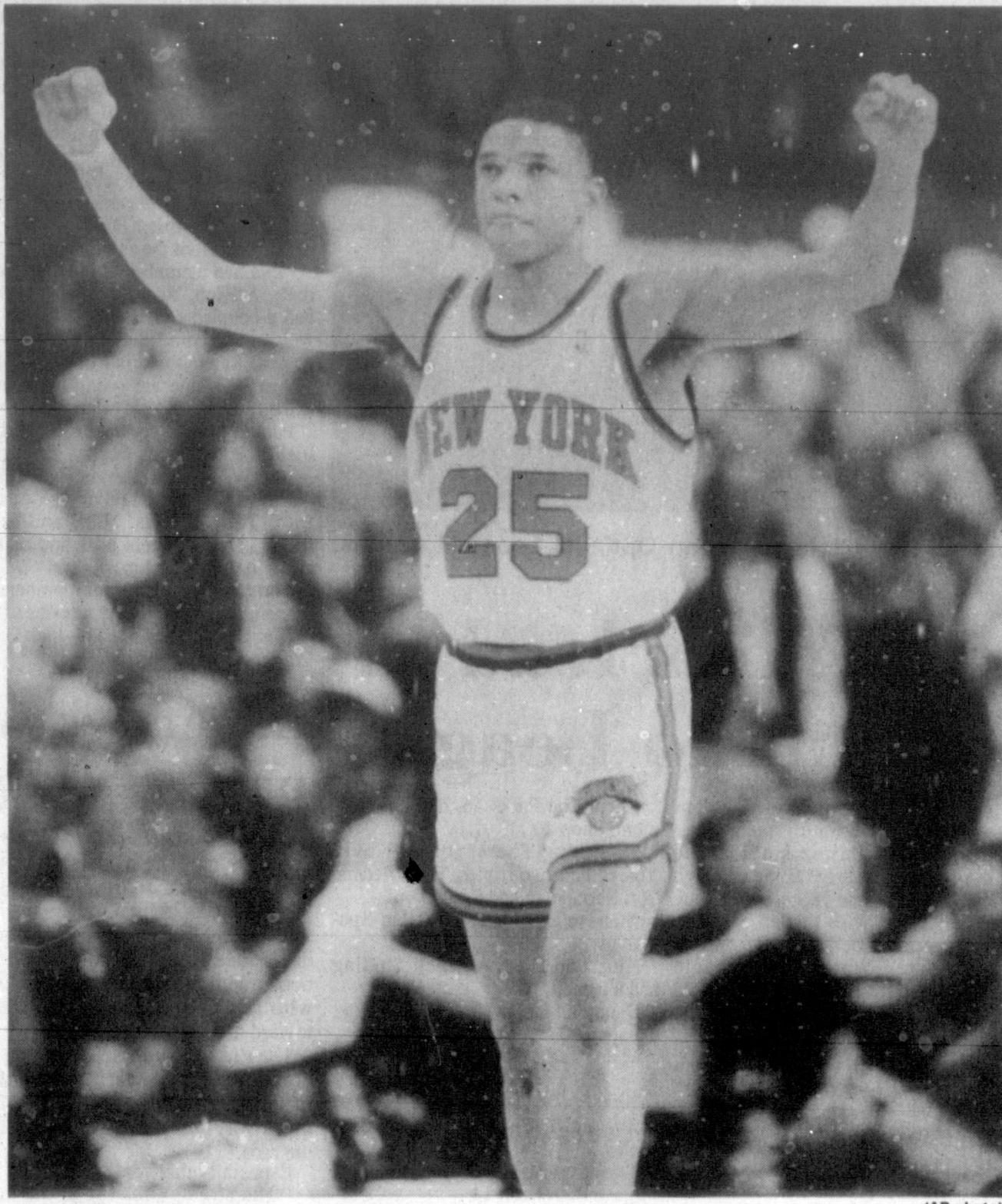
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The Knicks had their largest lead of the half, 32-28, when Anthony converted a three-point play with 10:54 left in second period. Then Pippen started an 11-2 run with three consecutive jumpers and Jordan returned from a five-minute rest with a three-point play and a dunk, giving the Bulls a 39-34 advantage.

New York, held to two points in more than five minutes, tied the score on a 3-pointer by Rivers and two free throws by Ewing. Then Ewing and Starks ignited the crowd by blocking shots by Jordan on the Bulls' next two possessions, but the Knicks didn't take advantage at the end.

Held to 12 points in the first nine minutes of the second period, kept pace with 10 in the final 2:35 of the half, forcing the halftime tie.



Doc Rivers of the Knicks likes the way the scoreboard reads during the closing minutes of Tuesday night's game. (AP photo)

Barkley is MVP

By MEL REISNER
AP Sports Writer

PHOENIX (AP) — Charles Barkley never needs to be told how good he is. On Tuesday, the NBA told him anyway.

He is the league's MVP, beating out the likes of Michael Jordan, Hakeem Olajuwon and Patrick Ewing. He is the first player since 1984 to win the award, other than Larry Bird, Magic Johnson and Jordan.

"I don't think my life can get any better than this," Barkley said.

Barkley, who finished second to Johnson in 1987 MVP vote, said he had to leave the Philadelphia 76ers to have a chance not only at an NBA title but the MVP award.

"I think that's unfair, also," the 6-foot-6 Phoenix forward said. "Look at a guy like Dominique Wilkins. He had a monster year, and his team's just not good enough. It's such a fluctuating way of picking an MVP."

A nationwide panel of 98 NBA writers and broadcasters gave Barkley 59 first-place votes and 835 to 22 and 647 for Olajuwon. Jordan, who had won three times, including the last two years, got 13 first-place votes, and Ewing received four.

Although Barkley talked as if he would give away the award, others said he was most deserving.

"I think Charles definitely deserves the nod just because of the totality of what's happening this year," coach Paul Westphal said. "I think that a most valuable player has more to do with making his team win than anybody else, and by that standard I think that Charles holds up real well."

The Suns set a franchise record with 62 victories and are 8-4 in the playoffs, reaching the Western Conference finals for the first time since 1990.

Barkley averaged 25.6 points, 12.2 and a career-high 5.1 assists. The last statistic bore out his contention he could be a complete player on a team with other top players.

He had a league-high six triple-doubles this season, finished fifth in scoring average, hitting 52 percent of his shots, and sixth in rebounding.

During the previous nine years, the MVP award went to Larry Bird, who won three straight, Johnson or Jordan.

"He's shown a kind of passion for the game that I like to see in the NBA," said coach George Karl of Seattle.

Suns' Miller, Ceballos recover from injuries

PHOENIX (AP) — While the Seattle SuperSonics showed the effects of too little time off between playoff series, the Phoenix Suns came out of Game 1 of the Western Conference finals with the most damage.

Rookie center Oliver Miller, the hero of a shot-blocking effort punctuating the Suns' all-out defensive play and 44-0 rebounding edge, strained his shoulder during Monday night's 105-91 runaway. Miller had five of 16 blocks, a team playoff record.

Cedric Ceballos was kicked in the foot late in the third quarter and left with 21 points in 23 minutes.

Both were examined and approved for action in Game 2, scheduled for tonight in the America West Arena where the Suns have won five straight playoff games after dropping their first two.

Phoenix coach Paul Westphal said he probably would go with Ceballos again, giving the third-year performer his second start in the playoffs over Richard Dumas, who started most of the year.

The Suns are in a can't-lose situation with either, Westphal said. "Those guys are so close in ability that if you line up their stats for a whole year and divide it by minutes, their production is almost identical," Westphal said. "Cedric

has a little edge in rebounding, Richard has a little edge in steals. They're both young, extremely talented small forwards, and I don't think I can go wrong."

He didn't explain why he selected the 6-foot-6-1/2 Ceballos to start opposite 6-10 Derrick McKey, who led Seattle with 17 points on Monday. But Ceballos may have the edge in the series because of his ruggedness.

Seattle's Shawn Kemp, mortified by the Sonics' four-game losing streak in playoff road contests and their inability to crash the boards and force turnovers with their usual ferocity, promised a return to form.

Scoreboard

Baseball				
MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS				
By The Associated Press				
All Times EDT				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Detroit	28	16	.636	—
Toronto	25	19	.578	2 1/2
New York	25	20	.558	3 1/2
Boston	24	21	.533	4 1/2
Milwaukee	18	24	.429	9
Baltimore	18	26	.409	10
Cleveland	18	28	.391	11
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Chicago	24	18	.571	—
California	23	19	.548	1
Texas	24	20	.545	1
Kansas City	21	21	.500	3
Seattle	22	24	.478	4
Oakland	18	23	.439	5 1/2
Minnesota	16	26	.381	8
Monday's Games				
Toronto 4, Milwaukee 1				
Cleveland 4, Texas 1				
Boston 6, Detroit 5, 10 innings				
Baltimore 8, New York 6				
Seattle 4, California 3, 14 innings				
Only games scheduled				
Tuesday's Games				
Detroit 4, Boston 1				
Texas 5, Cleveland 1				
New York 1, Baltimore 0				
Toronto 4, Milwaukee 2				
Kansas City 3, Chicago 2				
California 6, Seattle 3				
Oakland 3, Minnesota 1				
Wednesday's Games				
Boston (Dopson 3-2) at Detroit (Gullickson 1-1), 1:35 p.m.				
Minnesota (Tapani 2-5) at Oakland (Darling 0-2), 3:15 p.m.				
Texas (Rogers 3-3) at Cleveland (Mesa 4-3), 7:05 p.m.				
Baltimore (Mustina 5-2) at New York (Perez 2-3), 7:30 p.m.				
Milwaukee (Navarro 2-3) at Toronto (Morris 2-4), 7:35 p.m.				
Kansas City (Cone 1-5) at Chicago (Fernandez 5-2), 8:05 p.m.				
California (Farrell 2-5) at Seattle (Johnson 6-3), 10:05 p.m.				
Thursday's Games				
Milwaukee at Toronto, 12:35 p.m.				
Kansas City at Chicago, 1:35 p.m.				
Minnesota at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.				
Baltimore at New York, 7:30 p.m.				
California at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.				
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Philadelphia	31	13	.705	—
Montreal	25	20	.556	6 1/2
St. Louis	23	21	.523	8
Chicago	21	21	.500	9
Pittsburgh	21	21	.500	9
Florida	19	25	.432	12
New York	14	29	.328	16 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
San Francisco	31	15	.674	—
Atlanta	27	19	.587	4
Houston	23	20	.535	6 1/2
Los Angeles	22	22	.500	8

Basketball				
NBA PLAYOFF GLANCE				
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS				
(Best-of-7)				
Eastern Conference				
New York 4, Charlotte 1				
New York 111, Charlotte 95				
New York 105, Charlotte 101, OT				
Charlotte 110, New York 106, 2OT				
New York 94, Charlotte 92				
New York 105, Charlotte 101				
Chicago 4, Cleveland 0				
Chicago 91, Cleveland 84				
Chicago 104, Cleveland 85				
Chicago 96, Cleveland 90				
Chicago 103, Cleveland 101				
Western Conference				
Seattle 4, Houston 3				
Seattle 99, Houston 90				
Seattle 111, Houston 100				
Houston 97, Seattle 79				
Houston 103, Seattle 92				
Seattle 120, Houston 95				
Houston 103, Seattle 90				
Seattle 103, Houston 100, OT				
Phoenix 4, San Antonio 2				
Phoenix 98, San Antonio 89				
Phoenix 109, San Antonio 103				
San Antonio 111, Phoenix 96				
San Antonio 117, Phoenix 103				
Phoenix 109, San Antonio 97				
Phoenix 102, San Antonio 100				

CONFERENCE FINALS				
(Best-of-7)				
Eastern Conference				
Chicago vs. New York				
Sunday, May 23				
New York 98, Chicago 90				
Tuesday, May 25				
New York 96, Chicago 91, New York leads series 2-0				
Saturday, May 29				
New York at Chicago, 3:30 p.m.				
Monday, May 31				
New York at Chicago, 3:30 p.m.				
Wednesday, June 2				
Chicago at New York, 9 p.m., if necessary				
Friday, June 4				
New York at Chicago, 9 p.m., if necessary				
Sunday, June 6				
Chicago at New York, 7 p.m., if necessary				
Western Conference				
Seattle vs. Phoenix				
Monday, May 24				
Phoenix 105, Seattle 91, Phoenix leads series 1-0				
Wednesday, May 26				
Seattle at Phoenix, 9 p.m.				
Friday, May 28				
Phoenix at Seattle, 9 p.m.				
Sunday, May 30				
Phoenix at Seattle, 3:30 p.m.				
Tuesday, June 1				
Seattle at Phoenix, 9 p.m., if necessary				
Thursday, June 3				
Phoenix at Seattle, 9 p.m., if necessary				
Saturday, June 5, or				
Sunday, June 6				
Seattle at Phoenix, 3:30 or 7 p.m., if necessary				
NOTE: If Game 7 is Saturday, it will start at 3:30 p.m. If Sunday, starting time is 7 p.m.				
BULLS-KNICKS SUMMARY				
CHICAGO (81)				
Grant 1-6 0-0 2, Pippen 7-12 3-7 17, Cartwright 1-2 4-8 6, Armstrong 3-5 1-1 7, Jordan 12-32 11-13 36, S.Williams 4-6 4-6 12, Tucker 2-2 0-2 6, Perdue 0-3 0-3 0, Paxson 1-3 2-5, King 0-1 0-0 0, McCray 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 31-72 25-39 91.				
NEW YORK (96)				
Oakley 4-6 6-8 14, Smith 5-9 2-4 12, Ewing 11-25 4-4 26, Rivers 5-6 8-10 21, Starks 5-11 1-4 12, Mason 2-4 4-6 8, Blackman 0-2 0-1 0, H.Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Anthony 1-2 1-1 3, Totals 33-65 26-38 96.				
Chicago 25 24 14 28-91				
New York 27 22 28 19-96				
3-Point goals—Chicago 4-12 (Tucker 2-2, Paxson 1-2, Jordan 1-7, Armstrong 0-1), New York 4-7 (Rivers 3-3, Starks 1-3, Blackman 0-1). Fouled out—Mason, S.Williams. Rebounds—Chicago 44 (Jordan 9), New York 55 (Oakley 16). Assists—Chicago 15 (Pippen 5, Williams 4), New York 19 (Starks 9). Total fouls—Chicago 27, New York 25. Technicals—Chicago coach Jackson, S.Williams, Cartwright, Pippen, Mason, Oakley, Flagrant fouls—Anthony, Ejections—Pippen, Anthony, A—19,763.				

Sidewinders



The Sidewinders finished with a combined fall and spring won-loss record of 14-0-2 to win the Under 6 girls' title this year in the Pampa Soccer Association. Pictured, front row, from left, are Kendall Stokes, Andrea Hughes, Morgan Meharg, Kayla Wyant and Meagan Gage; back row, from left, coach Todd Meharg, Valerie Vigil, Kaysi Knight and coach Ricky Knight. (Staff photo)

Unlikely hero surfaces at French Open

PARIS (AP) — While unlikely heroes have surfaced before in Grand Slam tennis, few emerged from any deeper obscurity than Frenchman Stephane Huet.

Here was a player who had qualified for only one previous pro tour event, and promptly lost his first match to Croatia's Goran Prpic.

But on Tuesday, Huet overcame a bout of nerves. He ousted three-time champion Ivan Lendl from the French Open, beating the world's

No. 7 player 3-6, 7-5, 6-0, 7-6 (7-2). Huet is ranked 297th.

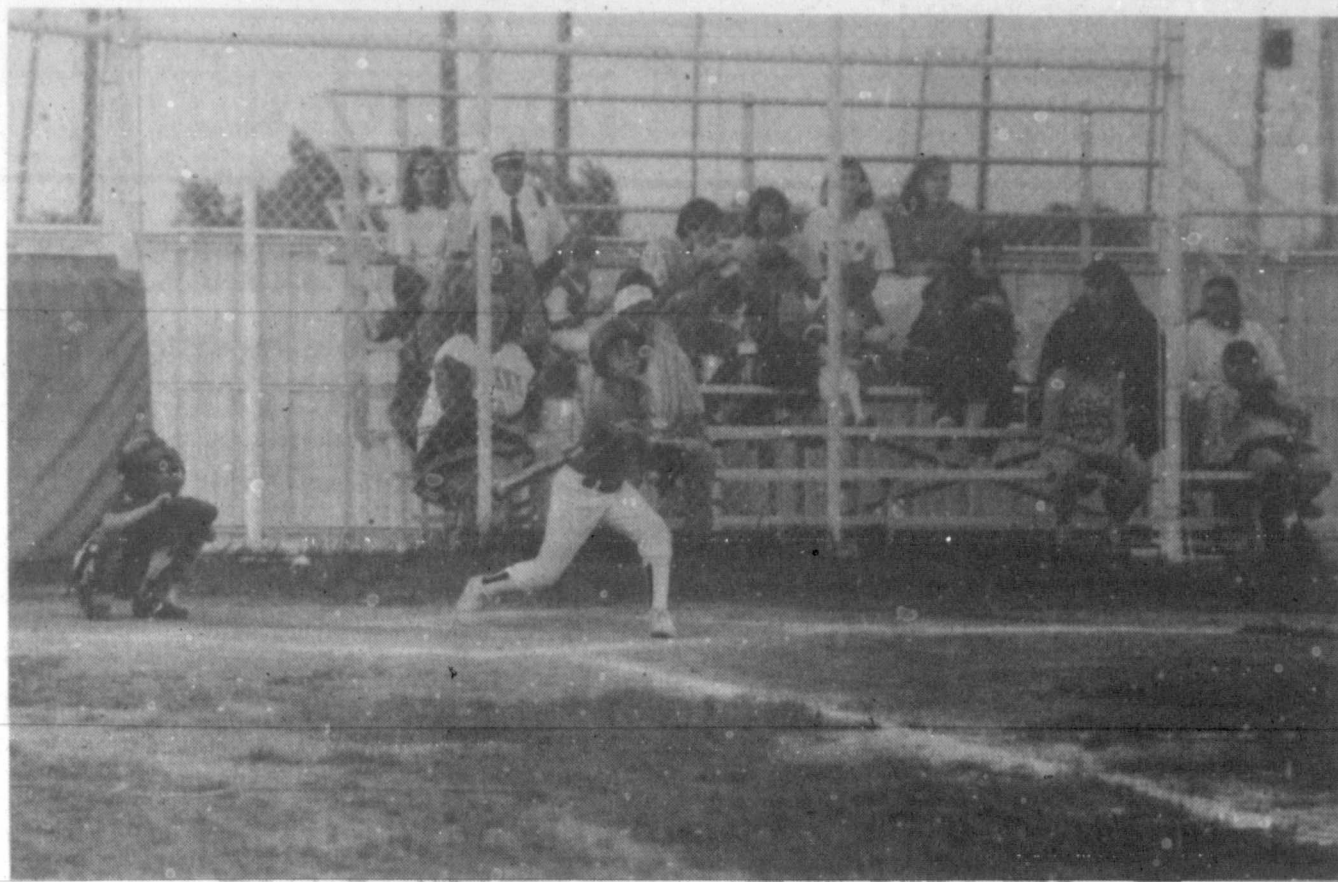
"The idea of playing him was magic," the 22-year-old Huet said. "During the first four games, I was very tense. ... When I won the second set, I thought I really had a chance."

Lendl, at 33 the oldest player in the field, also lost in the first round of this year's Australian Open. He complained of a sore right foot Tuesday, saying he was unsure

whether he'd play at Wimbledon next month.

Aside from Lendl, all the seeds, men and women, won their opening matches.

The two favorites, Jim Courier and Steffi Graf, faced what appeared to be easy second-round matches today. Courier played 84th-ranked Tomas Carbonell of Spain, and Graf went against 100th-ranked Andrea Strnadova of the Czech Republic.



(Staff photo by Danny Cowan)

John Lambert of OCAW swings at a pitch during an Optimist baseball contest Tuesday at Optimist Park.

Glo-Valve regains lead in National Bambino League

Clutch pitching and clutch hitting carried Glo-Valve Service to a narrow 12-11 victory over Duncan Insurance and back into the National League lead Tuesday in the Optimist Major Bambino League.

Brent Phelps, Amos Valmore and Heath Cowan led a 12-hit attack for Glo-Valve while Valmore and Shane Flynn pitched the team out of critical situations.

Duncan loaded the bases in the first inning with one out against starting pitcher Cody Shepard. Valmore then came on in relief and got the next two batters out, permitting a run to score.

Glo-Valve jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first on singles by Valmore and Leo Ramirez and a triple by Phelps, who scored on a wild pitch.

In the second inning Duncan took the lead, scoring five times.

Ryan Sells started the rally with a single. Cory Sharp followed with a double, scoring Sells. Sharp scored on an infield out. Jessie Lenz was safe on an error. Brent Coffee and Tommy Lozano singled with Lenz scoring. Coffee came home on a passed ball. After two were out, Steven Soto doubled to score Lozano.

Brian Doss got one back for Glo-Valve in the bottom of the second when he walked, went to second on a wild pitch, to third on a single by Valmore and scored on an error.

Shepard came on to pitch the third inning for Glo-Valve. Rick Reynolds singled on the first pitch. Second baseman Doss snared a line drive on the next pitch and caught Reynolds off first for a double play. On the next pitch, Shepard threw the batter out at first for an extremely rare three-pitch complete inning.

Cowan doubled to lead off the Glo-Valve half of the fourth inning. Shepard was hit by a pitch. Phelps singled home Cowan and Shepard scored on a double by Heath Keaton as Glo-Valve regained the lead. Phelps scored for the second time on a wild pitch.

Duncan took the lead again, 10-7,

but Glo-Valve replied with five runs in bottom of the fourth inning. Valmore and Ramirez singled and scored on a line drive home run high over the left field fence by Cowan. Shepard and Phelps singled. Successive walks to Eric Lemons, Roy Don Devoll and Nathan Porterfield brought home Shepard and Phelps with the final runs of the inning and ultimate winning run.

The win pulled Glo-Valve, 4-1, back into a half-game lead over Dunlap Industrial, 3-1, in the National League race.

Results in the Pampa Optimist Tee Ball League are listed below:

Agape 33, Pampa Fire Extinguisher 16

West Texas Ford 27, B&B Solvent 21

Hits: For B&B, Ross Bradley and Carissa Snelgroves had triples; For West Texas Ford, Russell Angel had a triple.

Bowers 27, Northcrest Pharmacy 25

Hits: Jerry Pritchett, Missy Brown and Logan Baker hit home runs.

West Texas Ford 23, Agape 16

B&B Solvent 23, Pampa Fire Extinguisher 22

Standings: West Texas Ford, 2-0; Bowers, 1-0; Agape, 1-1; B&B Solvent, 1-1; Northcrest Pharmacy, 0-1; Pampa Fire Extinguisher, 0-2.

Results in the 7-8 year-old (pitching machine) League are listed below:

Frank's Thriftway 18, W.O. Operating 16

Hits: For Frank's, Jordon Jones and Nick Knowles had home runs; Zachary Kidd had a triple; For W.O. Operating, Jake Ross had a home run and triple.

Warner-Finney 15, AMT 14

Hits: For Warner-Finney, Brodie Hall had a triple and Ross Mills had two triples; For AMT, David Nelson, Curtis Pritchett, Luis Campos all had home runs and Kevin Parks had a triple.

Thompson Parks 16, Rheams Diamond Shop 16

Hits: For Thompson's, Kevin Youree had two triples; For Rheams, Tori Shoopman had a triple.

Mohave Petroleum 22, Titan Specialties 15

Hits: For Titan, Mitchell Shilling had a triple.

Danny's Market 18, The Operating Company 0

Malcolm Hinkle 22, Moose Lodge 4

Hits: For Malcolm Hinkle, Stewart Curry and Christopher Lasher had triples.

The Operating Company 21, Mojave Petroleum 14

AMT 19, Thompson Parts 9

Danny's Market 14, Malcolm Hinkle 9

Frank's Thriftway 16, Rheam's Diamond Shop 14

Frank's Thriftway 19, Thompson Parts 13

Malcolm Hinkle 22, Titan Specialties 14

Rheam's Diamond Shop 11, W.O. Operating 11

Moose Lodge 20, Mojave Petroleum 18

Standings: American League - Frank's, 3-0-0; Warner-Finney, 1-0-0; AMT, 1-1-0; Rheams, 1-1-1; W.O. Operating, 1-1-0; Thompson Parts, 0-3-0; National League: Danny's, 2-0-0; Malcolm Hinkle, 2-1-0; The Operating Company, 1-1-0; Mohave Petroleum, 1-2-0; Titan, 0-3-0.

Mr. Gatti's defeated Max's, 10-6, in a girls' 10-12 year-old softball game last weekend at Optimist Park.

Lisa Dwight was the winning pitcher while Jill Forman picked up the save. They allowed only four singles in the sixth-inning contest.

It was Max's first loss of the season.

Mr. Gatti's played tough defensively, committing only two errors.

Top hitters for Mr. Gatti's were Lisa Dwight, triple and single; Tandi Morton, Jill Forman and Lesley Clark, one single each.

Rockies beat Astros to snap losing skid

HOUSTON (AP) — Jim Tatum thinks he has the hardest job on a struggling team.

Tatum's two-run, tie-breaking pinch double in the eighth inning helped the Colorado Rockies beat the Houston Astros 7-5 Tuesday night to snap a five-game losing streak.

"I've got the toughest job on the team and when they've called on me, I've come through," Tatum said. "I don't get much playing time, but I don't complain. I'm just glad to be here and help this team win. I've got a lot of ability, but it took me seven or eight years to get here. I know I'm a good player."

Gary Wayne (2-2) earned the victory without retiring a batter. He entered the game with two outs in the seventh inning and retired the side when Steve Finley was caught stealing. Andy Ashby got the last three outs for his first save.

With the score 5-all, Jerald Clark opened the eighth off Xavier Hernandez (2-1) with a single. Clark moved to second on a wild pitch by before Nelson Liriano walked. A double steal left runners at second and third before Tatum doubled.

"I just want to be recognized as someone who can help," Tatum said. "I was just trying to hit the ball hard somewhere. It's a tough spot coming off the bench like that."

The Rockies moved ahead 3-2 in the second when Liriano hit his first homer of the season.

The Astros took a 4-3 lead in the third when Craig Biggio led off with walk and moved to third on a single by Jeff Bagwell. After a walk to Eric Anthony loaded the bases, Caminiti drove in two runs with a single.

Houston increased its lead to 5-3 in the fourth on Biggio's seventh home.

"I was not going to let this one get away from us," manager Don Baylor said. "I don't know how many pitchers I used, I was just trying to get that 27th out."

Colorado tied the score at 5-5 in the seventh. Eric Young led off with a single, Alex Cole then singled, but left fielder James singled the ball, allowing it to roll by him for an error. Young scored.

Joyner hits Royals past White Sox

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago White Sox got the matchup they wanted, Jack McDowell pitching against Wally Joyner.

Joyner, however, got the result he wanted, hitting a go-ahead double in the ninth inning that sent the Kansas City Royals over Chicago 3-2 Tuesday night.

Felix Jose opened the ninth with an infield hit off McDowell (7-3). After a sacrifice by Brian McRae

and an intentional walk to George Brett, Joyner hit a line drive down the right-field line.

Joyner was only 6 for 44 (.136) lifetime against McDowell going into the at-bat. He had, however, homered earlier in the game.

"I popped a lot of balls up against him. Tonight, I got a couple of hits that were good for us," Joyner said.

Workouts begin in 16-18 league

The Pampa Shockers have a home opener next week to begin their first official season in the West Texas Baseball League.

No, that's not Pampa High School's junior varsity team. The Shockers are one of the entries in a summer league for 16 through 18-year-old players.

"The Shockers is a name the players came up with last year," said Pampa coach Terry Bob Moore. "They decided not to change it."

Moore said 18 players reported for Monday's first practice at Harvester Field and he's expecting more to come out before the season starts.

"I've had a number of kids contact us - from Shamrock, Allison, Briscoe, Mobeetie and Wheeler. I've had a couple of calls from Miami. They're more than welcome to come and try out," Moore said. "I'm really glad to see this kind of response. There's no way players this age are going to develop their baseball skills if they don't play during the summer."

Pampa hosts Borger at 6 p.m. June 3 at Harvester Field for the season opener. Both teams are members of the West Texas League's North Zone which also includes Randall, Plainview, Tascosa, Dumas, Hereford, Tulia, Clovis, N.M. and two Amarillo High teams. The Shockers host one of the Amarillo High clubs at 6:30 p.m. June 4.

The Shockers were not members of the league last season, but they did play a series of exhibition games.

Moore will be assisted by Jack Gindorf and Leonard Warren.

Luyendyk will set pace at Indy 500

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Arie Luyendyk is like the class monitor whose job is to keep everyone else in line. It's a big responsibility, and he won't get much cooperation.

The 1990 Indianapolis 500 winner will start Sunday's race from the pole position. Besides a fat bonus with his paycheck, that means he's the one who has to set the pace as the 33 cars rocket toward the starting line.

They're not supposed to begin racing until they cross that line, invariably, some of them try to move up too soon. That could mean trouble, and that's why the start is the most dangerous part of the race.

Especially this year.

"The strategy this year was to qualify as high as you can because it's going to be hard to pass," Luyendyk said Tuesday. "Obviously, we've achieved that goal. It will be harder to pass."

The 2 1/2-mile track has a new look this year. The old track apron was replaced with two pit entrance and exit lanes separated from the track by grass and a rumble strip, making a narrower racing surface, especially in the turns.

"In 1990 I was third-quickest, in '91 I was third-quickest, last year I was fourth — all those qualifying runs were a lot easier," Luyendyk said of his four-lap, 223,967-mph average that put him on the pole for the first time in his career.

"The way the track's laid out ... it's really a one-groove race track," he said. "Therefore, in the race, it's going to be more difficult, too, because you really don't have a lot of room to work with as far as driving behind someone."

"You can't say, well, I'm going to go below him, because you can't go there anymore. So you have a lot of problems with (air) turbulence, and it's going to be a different motor race than you've ever seen before at Indy."

Last year, pole-starter Roberto Guerrero crashed on the parade lap; in 1991, Buddy Lazier locked his brakes and spun into the wall on the first lap; in 1989, Kevin Cogan crashed on the second lap; in 1988, Guerrero, Scott Brayton and Tony Bettenhausen were eliminated on the second turn of the first lap. First-lap crashes occurred five other times since the mid '60s, including a chain collision that eliminated 11 cars at the start of the 1966 race.

"When I went out to do my qualifying run, I wasn't thinking I'm going to put it on the pole," Luyendyk said. "I was thinking I'm going to put it on the first two rows."

"If you go in the corner just a little too quick you'll run out of room coming off the corner. It seemed like I had to kind of poke myself the whole time to not go into the corner too quick."

Next to Luyendyk is Mario Andretti, a three-time pole starter who has led 484 laps at Indianapolis in his career but only one last year after starting from the outside of the front row. Raul Boesel of Brazil, who has led only one lap in six previous Indy starts, is on the outside this time.

Scott Goodyear, who has never led a lap but came within .043 seconds of victory last year, is starting on the inside of the second row, directly behind Luyendyk. Al Unser Jr., who beat Goodyear in the closest Indy finish in history, is in the middle of the second row, and Stefan Johansson of Sweden, the highest starter among five rookies, is on the outside of the second row.

"A change is a change. Good, bad or indifferent, you just deal with it," Andretti said.

"It may affect certain situations. It could affect the race in the way of passing more than it did before. ... We know that you can still go quick above the line. But you're not going to see too many real banzai passes like you've seen, because I hate like hell to really be forced to test those rumble strips, to be honest with you."

Canada's Paul Tracy, who replaced the retired Rick Mears as a full-time driver with Team Penske, echoed the same concern.

"I think the changes are going to make it harder to pass because now there is basically only one line through the corners, and to get past a guy you're going to have to set him up through the turns and then get him coming down the straight," Tracy said. "It's going to be real important to have the car set up as best as possible, because if you're not set up right, you're going to have to slow down in the turns to get around the track."

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SWAT team invades toy store, two gunmen arrested

Seven hostages rescued from El Paso store

By EDUARDO MONTES
Associated Press Writer

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — SWAT team members early today assaulted a toy store and arrested two gunmen who had been holding seven hostages following a failed robbery attempt, police said.

No one was injured and no shots were fired, police spokesman Sgt. Bill Pfeil said.

Police moved in on the building about 12:30 a.m. MST after noticing several people on the roof. The SWAT teams entered through the front door and found six hostages cowering in a room on the first level.

The two gunmen and the final hostage were found on the roof. One gunman surrendered without incident. The other was found hid-



Members of the El Paso SWAT team lead a suspect out of a Toys R Us store Wednesday morning. (AP Photo)

ing behind an air conditioner, said Capt. J.R. Grijalva, commander of the SWAT team.

Police brought the people out of the store one at a time so they could separate the hostages from the gunmen.

The two men, along with a third who tried to escape during the three-hour standoff by posing as a hostage, were arrested and were in custody early today.

Police identified one man as Fabian Gutierrez, 26, of El Paso. The other two were not immediately identified, but Pfeil said the robbery may be linked to other recent robberies in the El Paso area.

The hostages were not immediately identified, police said. They were taken to police headquarters to give statements concerning the ordeal.

Police seized at least one 9 m.m. pistol and an assault rifle that had been left in a van parked outside the store.

The incident began when police apparently interrupted a robbery in progress about 9:30 p.m. MDT after receiving a 911 call from the Toys R Us on El Paso's affluent west side.

Pfeil said the caller didn't say anything when an operator answered the call, making authorities suspicious.

When a call was made back to the store, an employee said nothing was wrong. The operator was not convinced and notified authorities.

Police quickly surrounded the building.

Negotiators tried to make contact with the suspects without success.

"They didn't want to talk to us," Grijalva said.

Ambulances were stationed nearby as officers surrounded the store. Some relatives of the hostages waited in the parking lot.

Originally, there were eight hostages, all believed to be store employees. The store manager, who was not identified, left the building with a man who turned out to be one of the gunmen not long after the building was surrounded.

The hostages were "very frightened" and were "relieved to be outside," Grijalva said.

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New prostate option: 'watchful waiting'

By BRENDA C. COLEMAN
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — For older men with prostate cancer in its early stages, doing nothing but watching and waiting may be better than surgery, the increasingly popular approach among doctors, researchers said today.

In a study in the Journal of the American Medical Association, researchers found that men over 65 who received aggressive treatment lived less than a year longer on average than those whose cancer was simply monitored.

A second study found that the rate of radical prostatectomy — removal of the prostate gland — increased nearly sixfold from 1984 to 1990 among Medicare patients. All of the patients in that study were over 65.

"We have, in essence, an epidemic of treatment and no scientific proof that it's valid," said Dr. John Wasson, who worked on both studies.

Cancer of the prostate, a chestnut-shaped male gland beneath the bladder, is the most common cancer in American men. It will cause an estimated 35,000 deaths this year.

The first study, led by Dr. Craig Fleming of Oregon Health Sciences

University, used a mathematical model to analyze risks and benefits of treatment and concluded that men 65 and older may benefit more from "watchful waiting" than from surgery or radiation.

Many prostate cancers grow slowly and may not invade other tissues for years. For such men, the immediate risk of complications from treatment may not be worth trying to buy extra years of life, the study said. Such men are likely to die of other causes before their malignancies spread and cause problems.

Radical prostate surgery causes incontinence about 30 percent of the time and sexual impotence 90 percent of the time, said Wasson, director of Dartmouth's Center for the Aging.

"In older men, in men with localized disease, the benefits of treatment are not much greater than the harms," Wasson said in a telephone interview.

Fleming and his co-authors based their analysis partly on a review of 144 studies published since 1966.

The analysis found that men ages 65 to 70 with localized prostate cancers lived, on average, 14.1 years after diagnosis if their cancers were just watched, compared with 14.2 years for men who underwent

radical prostatectomy and 14.3 years for men who received radiation.

Treatment costs run from \$15,000 to \$25,000, Wasson said.

The second study, led by Grace L. Lu-Yao of Dartmouth Medical School, found that the rate of radical prostatectomy was 5.75 times higher in 1990 than in 1984 among Medicare patients. And the rates varied greatly by region.

In New England and the mid-Atlantic regions, the rate was 60 per 100,000 patients; in Pacific and Mountain regions, it averaged 130 per 100,000 patients.

An accompanying editorial by Dr. Willet F. Whitmore Jr., former head of urological surgery at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York, said the studies suggest that treating prostate cancer in its early stages "may be more a matter of opinion than a matter of fact."

In the meantime, patients should be told they have choices, Wasson said.

Dr. Gerald Chodak, professor of surgery and urology at the University of Chicago, agreed.

"Conservative management is a very reasonable option for many patients," he said. "If they're not presented that option, they might be only getting part of the message."

Hemlock threatens trout near Camp David

THURMONT, Md. (AP) — Fly fishers take note: Tiny bugs are attacking stands of hemlocks that shade a well-known fishing stream near Camp David and help keep its waters chilly enough for trout to thrive.

Woolly adelgids are sucking the sap out of hemlocks throughout the Northeast and mid-Atlantic states. In Maryland's Catoctin Mountain Park, home to the presidential retreat, they are assaulting trees along a five-mile stretch of Hunting Creek.

Presidents have fished this stream, and it's a favorite among anglers from Washington and Baltimore. Native brook trout and stocks of brown and rainbow trout swim its cool waters.

"Right now it appears that all of the groves of hemlocks throughout the park are affected," said park ranger Becky Reddinger. "We don't know if we have had any mortality, but it's only a matter of time."

Without shade from trees, streams can get too warm for the fish, she said. Additionally, if the hemlocks were to die and disappear, stream banks could eventually erode, silting up the clear waters.

At first glance, the towering hemlocks seem healthy, their large boughs sweeping toward the sky.

But the undersides of the branches appear to have been sprayed with aerosol snow: clumped at the base of all the green needles are white egg masses.

Each ball contains 15 to 20 woolly adelgids, insects that originated in Asia, most likely Japan. The white sacs are present year-round but are especially prominent in the spring when the insects cause the most damage.

"They suck the sap out of the base of the needles," Ms. Reddinger said. Scientists "also think they might be injecting some sort of toxic spittle into the tree, but they're not sure about that. The needles then discolor and fall off."

The loss of needles and new shoots seriously damages the trees, which can die within several years. And rangers can do little to fight the pest.

Oily insecticides can suffocate the adelgids, but they are difficult to apply because the insects live on the undersides of the branches. Aerial spraying would not only be ineffective but could also harm aquatic and plant life in Hunting Creek, Ms. Reddinger said.

Mark McClure, chief scientist at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, is working on the most promising natural enemy — a mite

that feeds on the waxy wool of the egg sacs. He is expecting a spring shipment from Japan of the mites and other natural predators of the woolly adelgid.

Woolly adelgids don't threaten hemlocks in Japan because natural enemies keep their populations in check, McClure said. Also safe are the Pacific Northwest's hemlocks, which are resistant to the insects.

The endangered zone for East Coast hemlocks stretches from the Carolinas to southern New England. Woolly adelgids are spreading into western Pennsylvania at a good clip, McClure said, and dead hemlocks have been reported in Virginia, Pennsylvania and New Jersey over the last five years.

"We can save the ornamental hemlocks by spraying, but in terms of the forests, they are being severely threatened by this insect," McClure said.

That is certainly the case in Virginia's Shenandoah National Forest. Hemlocks grow in 94 areas covering 2,000 acres of the 195,000-acre forest, said entomologist Keith Watson.

"Only 25 percent of all the hemlocks in the park are considered healthy," Watson said. "We don't have that many dead trees, but they're just hanging there on the edge."



A Catoctin Mountain park ranger holds a branch from a hemlock tree infested with tiny white pests called woolly adelgids in Thurmont, Md., earlier this month. (AP Photo)

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