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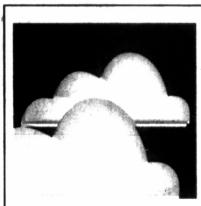
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Low tonight in low 40s. High tomorrow in mid 60s. See Page 2 for weather details.

PAMPA — Pampa High School Principal John Kendall was up and walking around this morning, trying to get some exercise as he recovers from his open heart surgery.

Pampa School District representative Ramona Hite said Kendall is expected to be coming home Tuesday or Wednesday after undergoing heart surgery last Thursday.

Hite said all cards and good wishes can be mailed to Kendall in care of Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester, Pampa, TX 79065.

SAN'A, Yemen (AP) Tribesmen involved in a land dispute with the government kidnapped an American oil engineer in southeastern Yemen, Western oil company officials said Sunday.

Joe Dell'Aria, an engineer with Houston-based Halliburton Energy Services, was kidnapped Feb. 11, said a field engineer with the company who spoke on condition of anonymity.

He said that Dell'Aria, 50, was held by members of the powerful Murad tribe, who are locked in a dispute with the government over a valuable piece of land near the presidential palace in San'a, the Yemeni capital.

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Kidnappers seized a U.S. oil engineer and his pilot as they arrived at a fishing camp in Venezuela, and police suspect they were taken to Colombia and held for ransom.

The kidnapping occurred at a camp near the Orinoco River, about 40 miles from the Colombian border, authorities said Sunday.

Officials said suspected rebels apparently showed up at the camp early Friday and captured the pair when their light plane landed.

U.S. and Venezuelan officials identified the American as Jerel Duane Shaffer, general manager of the El Tigre, Venezuela, office of Houstonbased Production Operators Inc., and the Venezuelan pilot as Elias Barnard.

By The Associated Press

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twiceweekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 3, 27, 28, 37, 39 and 45.

There were 90 tickets purchased matching five of six numbers, worth \$1,738 each. Matching four of six numbers were 4,766 tickets, with a prize each of \$119.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$8 million.

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House panel widens probe into campaign fund raising

chairman of the House committee investigating campaign fund raising said he has issued nearly two dozen new subpoenas and is looking into reports that the Chinese government wanted to contribute to the Democratic

"The bottom line is, it's going to be a much more broad investigation than we thought it would be," Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., chairman of the Government Reform and Oversight Committee, said Sunday on NBC's Meet the Press.

Burton said he had previously issued five subpoenas and Saturday night sent out 20 more for documents his committee wants to see. He declined to provide details of the new subpoenas, saying he had yet to inform building activities. committee Democrats.

panel and the Senate Govern- \$141.2 million and Democrats

WASHINGTON (AP) - The which has launched a parallel probe, have complained that the Republicans are out to attack the Democratic Party rather than expose the fund-raising excesses of both parties.

A report released today showed that Democratic and Republican parties raised an unprecedented \$263.5 million in largely unregulated "soft money" campaign donations during the two-years leading to the 1996 election – almost three times the amount in the 1991-92

There are no limits to so-called "soft money" contributions which cannot legally be spent directly on a candidate's behalf. The money may be used for generic advertising, get-out-thevote efforts and other party-

The Center for Responsive Democrats on both the House Politics said Republicans got mental Affairs Committee, \$122.3 million in such contribu-

tions during the 24-month period prior to last year's election.

The Republican-led Congress is unwilling to initiate campaign finance legislation when Republican fund raisers are bringing in twice as much as Democrats, complained Sen. Bob Torricelli, D-N.J., on ABC's This Week pro-

Burton said the first priority must be investigating past wrongdoing, including a Washington Post report last week that the Chinese embassy in Washington had considered making campaign contributions to the Democrats.

One key Democratic figure involved in raising money from the Asian community, John Huang, "may very well have given information that he shouldn't have to the Chinese and others" as part of the fund-raising efforts, said

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house fire Pampa woman dies in

at 820 E. Locust claimed the life of 47-year-old Princess Frances Gardner of Pampa and injured her mother, who was trying to rescue her daughter.

Gardner's mother, Willie Mae Darnell, living in a mobile home behind the house, was burned when she tried to resuce her daughter. Darnell was treated for minor burns and released trapped in the burning house. from Columbia Medical Center.

PLC Open House

A house fire Sunday morning came in at 10:18 a.m. Sunday. Flames and smoke were coming from the rear of the one-bedroom house when firefighters arrived.

Gardner, who was handicapped and had difficulty speaking, was unable to escape the blaze or call for help, according to authorities. She apparently was unable to move without special equipment and became

Only a utility room remained fighters responded to the call which the home. The blaze was brought the State Fire Marshal's Office.

under control around 10:38 a.m. The mobile home, which did not catch fire, had broken windows from the heat of the fire from the nearby house, accord-

ing to fire department officials. No one else was injured in the

Damage to the home was estimated at \$15,000.

The Pampa Fire Marshal's office will be coordinating an investigation of the cause of the Three fire units and seven fire-standing after the fire engulfed fire with a representative from



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Floreen Everson receives a goody bag from Pampa's Altrusa President Dorla McAndrew. Everson was interested in talking with visitors and thought it wonderful that someone would visit people who can't get out and get around anymore.

Pampa Altrusa project aims to help shut-ins

ladies of Altrusa International Pampa Chapter delivered goody bags Saturday and a few minutes of company to 30 elderly shut-ins in Pampa.

The goody bags were filled with little luxuries such as lotion, toothpaste and sweet treats which many shut-ins can not get for themselves for one reason or another. But the biggest gift was the gift of time.

Many of the residents who received a visit from members of the Altrusa Club have little or no family and, due to health problems, cannot get out and so have little contact with other people.

Members of the Altrusa Club traveled in pairs to deliver the bags and spend time with people who would otherwise be alone.

"The 30 minutes spent with these people, just talking and listening, lets them know that people still care, that they haven't been forgotten," said Dorla McAndrew, chapter president.

"We used a questionnaire to help get the people talking," McAndrew said. "We found that most of these people are just so lonesome they don't want to let visitors go.'

"This is a new project. We want to find out how we can help people who have very few resources." she said.

For years Altrusa members have visited nursing homes, but

so many older citizens to remain in their homes, the need for home visits have become more important.

Floreen Everson, who is legally blind and a recipient of a visit from Altrusa members McAndrew and Linda Lamb, said she was thrilled to have visitors and loved the chance to talk about her life here in Pampa.

During their visits with the shut-ins the Altrusa members made notes of some of the problems and hardships facing the shut-in members of the commu-

The visitors found that some of the biggest problems are transportation, loneliness and a feeling of not belonging any-

McAndrew said the club does not know exactly how the information from these visits will be used, but she expects it will be compiled and used later to help other residents.

The Altrusa Club is an international service and civic organization comprised of business and professional women, many who have retired, which works for the betterment of the community as a whole.

The projects of the Altrusa include the Reading Dinosaur program and the toothbrush give away in elementary grades, to scholarships for area students and year-round projects within

attend classes at Pampa Learning Center or Clarendon College Pampa Center. with home health care allowing the community. Zinc you've tried all the health gimmicks? Read this

WASHINGTON (AP) - Matt Aukofer had heard all the hype about zinc helping colds. So he popped the lozenges when his sniffles hit – and suffered a week with the flu, a virus that zinc isn't known to affect.

"I had a hard time telling if it helped or not," said Aukofer, 34, of suburban Washington, who's considering giving zinc another chance on his next cold.

Zinc lozenges are selling as fast as stores can stock them, the latest in a series of health fads that have Wall Street and manufacturers raking in big dollars even before science determines whether the therapies really work.

"I never told anybody it was a cure for the cold," said Dr. Michael Macknin of the Cleveland Clinic, whose study of Cold-Eeze zinc lozenges kicked off the fad – and who then found himself embroiled in controversy when he made \$145,000 on hormonally stimulate cancer growth. Cold-Eeze stock.

gotten for a preliminary study."

The 2-year-olds class at the Bright Beginnings Day Care Center welcomes visitors to the

Pampa Learning Center Open House on Friday afternoon. Marcus Vargas, Austin Johnson

and Brady Jocelyn play games with their teacher, Susan Collinsworth, while their parents

But the \$6 billion, mostly unregulated dietary supplement industry is growing 10 percent a year, fueled largely by news reports touting preliminary research that send consumers racing to the store.

Take beta carotene, hailed as a possible cancer preventive with annual sales of \$100 million. Scientific testing concluded last year Americans are wasting their money on it.

Books proclaiming DHEA an anti-aging pill are best-sellers, despite doctors' warnings that the hormone may be dangerous. Side effects include permanent masculine hair growth and deeper voices for women, troubling signs that the pills, which the body turns into estrogen and testosterone, might be active enough to

Just last month, a University of Arizona

"This doesn't deserve the publicity it's report that selenium may reduce cancer to distinguish between" science and sham. had Arizona stores sold out of the trace element – despite scientists' warning that not only was proof lacking, but too much selenium is toxic

"We're a quick-fix society," laments Dr. Lewis Green, an Emory University family physician. "We get blindsided with patients coming in with all kinds of demands for things that haven't been tested and proved.'

Laymen aren't the only ones vulnerable. Emory's Dr. Erica Frank, co-editor of the journal Preventive Medicine, recently deliberately fooled a medical class - and the instructor – into believing there was an Eastern science called "zephyrology," where air samples measured over body organs signal chemical imbalances.

They were just fascinated," said Frank, who then revealed the fake. "I think I made the point that unless you have data, it is hard Fads like zinc fall into a gray area: sci-

entifically promising but unproven. Macknin performed a 100-patient study

at a respected hospital, which passed scientific scrutiny to be published in the Annals of Internal Medicine in July. Macknin says he "got goose bumps" as

he compared the data and discovered those who took zinc every two hours starting within a day of the first symptoms got well three days sooner than people who took a placebo.

"I was more than a little skeptical" when the study began, Macknin said. The findings were "very exciting."

But he stressed that one small study is not proof. Indeed, he said, earlier zinc research was skewed because so many people disliked the taste and stopped taking zinc, then told researchers they felt

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

ROBERTS. Zelma — Graveside services, 1:30 p.m., Llano Cemetery Mausoleum, Amarillo.

Obituaries

ZELMA ROBERTS

AMARILLO - Zelma Roberts, 89, aunt of a Pampa resident, died Friday, Feb. 14, 1997. Graveside services will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in Llano Cemetery Mausoleum with Dr. Chester O'Brien officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mrs. Roberts was born at Wellington. She married John H. Burgan in 1931; he died in 1963. She had been an Amarillo resident since 1930, moving from Canyon. She and her husband owned Harry Holland Men's Store for years. She was a member of First Baptist Church. She later married Brownie M. Roberts in the late 1970s; he also preceded her in death.

Survivors include four nieces, Quida Dearing of Lake Travis, Gene Robinson of Seymour, Patsy Clark of Chandler, Ariz., and Lynn Harwood of Pampa; and two nephews, Arden Rodgers of Amarillo and John F. Robinson of Canyon.

Calendar of events

TOASTMASTERS

Talkers and Knee Knockers Toastmasters Club meets 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the dining room of Coronado Inn. For more information, call Daniel Silva at 669-6351 or Gary Casebier at 665-4212.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-

RED CROSS DISASTER CLASSES

The Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will be holding disaster classes every Tuesday evening from Jan. 28 through March. The classes, held at the Red Cross office at 108 N. Russell, begin at 7 p.m. and are free to the public. For more information, call 669-7121

TOP O' TEXAS REPUBLICAN **WOMEN'S CLUB**

The Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club will meet at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, at Furr's Cafeteria. Guest speaker will be Carolyn Hall. Guests are welcome to attend. For more information, call Sammie Morris at 669-2998.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Feb. 15 3:54 p.m. – Two units and four personnel

responded to 540 Gillespie on a medical assist. SUNDAY, Feb. 16

10:18 a.m. – Three units and seven personnel responded to 820 E. Locust on a structure fire. The cause of the fire is under investigation by state fire marshals. One fatality was reported. 1:47 p.m. – Three units and seven personnel responded to a grass fire at 408 Rider.

2:39 p.m. – Two units and three personnel

responded to a grass fire at 1109 Juniper. 3:34 p.m. - One unit and two personnel

responded to a good intent at 1105 Juniper. 5:35 p.m. – Three units and six personnel responded to a storage building fire at 627 N

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the fol sowing accidents for the 72-hour period ending at

FRIDAY, Feb. 14

A 1996 Dodge Neon driven by Casey Suzanne Blakek, 16, 1500 N. Faulkner, and a 1997 Chevy Van driven by Michael Shawn Thornton, 27 Lubbock, collided at the intersection of Hobart and Somerville. Blalock was cited for failure to

A 1995 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup driven by Amy Wendt Atwood, 37, 529 Somerville, and a 1986 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Regina Brynne Tice, 16, 519 E. Kingsmill, collided at the intersection. of Faulkner and Montagu. Atwood was cited for failure to yield right of way at an open intersec-

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests for the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SUNDAY, Feb. 16 Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of South Faulkner. Approximately \$250 damage was done to windows and a thermostat

Injury to the elderly was reported in the 100 block of South Russell. Reports ranged from

A 22-year-old female reported an assault in the 600 block of North Banks. Victim reported minor

Burglary was reported in the 100 block of Ballard. An unknown number of power tools were taken.

Arrests

James Michael Chaney, 31, was arrested on charges of traffic violations, issuance of bad checks and no insurance. He remains in custody. Jessie Darlene Calloway, 30, 1100 S. Nelson, was arrested on five warrants. She remains in

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following call for the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Feb. 15 3:51 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of Gillespie on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

7:21 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of North Christy on a trauma. No one was transported

SUNDAY, Feb. 16

7:22 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of East Jordan on a possible Trauma. No one was transported.

8:48 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2100 block of North Hamilton on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

10:14 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of East Locust on a structure fire assist. No one was transported.

11:06 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of East Locust on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

1:51 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 400 block of Rider on a fire assist. No injuries were reported.

MONDAY, FEB. 17

1:41 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2400 block of Mary Ellen on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center. 4:50 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of South Dwight on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 40-hour period ending at 7a.m. today.

SATURDAY, FEB. 15 Arrests

James David Howard, 35, Lefors, was arrested on traffic tickets. He paid his fines and was

Alicia Boon Parker, 36, 416 Lefors, was arrested on a theft by check warrant from Randall County and a theft by check warrant from Gray County. She remains in custody.

Bryan Edwards Waldrip, 17, 2706 Beech, was arrested on charges of evading arrest and deadly conduct. He remains in custody.

Emergency numbers

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Crime Stoppers	669-2222
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Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830
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General Janet Reno appoint "Did Mosbacher, under the an independent counsel to

said, "the implication is that Burton said his committee at least there was an attempt

But Torricelli warned that finance reform.

Liz Taylor celebrates turning 65

LOS ANGELES (AP) - It was Elizabeth Taylor's night, though the legendary actress didn't see it that way.

Miss Taylor, who's facing brain surgery this week, was serenaded by Michael Jackson, Patti LaBelle and others during a starstudded celebration Sunday night marking her 65th birthday.

Inside Hollywood's Pantages Theatre, the audience was also reminded of the actress' colorful life, her love of diamonds and her seven husbands with videotaped footage spanning a career that began at age 9 and garnered two Academy Awards.

Madonna even gushed when speaking about how she used to watch Miss Taylor's movies, especially A Place in the Sun.

"I was so absolutely knocked out by her beauty," Madonna said. "I don't know what it is. I think it's this wondrous light that radiates from her and it always takes my breath away.

"Elizabeth Taylor has stopped making films but her life continues to shine in a much more wondrous passion.'

That passion is AIDS, and the black-tie event raised more than \$1 million for the Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation from audience members who bought tickets at \$500 and \$1,000 each.

The foundation distributes money for AIDS research and treatment, but focuses mainly on day-to-day care for victims of the deadly disease.

Miss Taylor, who along with Jackson watched the tribute from chairs at the side of the stage, said she didn't attend the event to celebrate her birthday, but rather the cause she has devoted her life to for the past 12 years.

"I'm here to celebrate all of the people in the world with AIDS," she said. "Because of you and your generosity and your big heart, it has enabled ETAF to go all over the world ... and because with your love. And I thank you so much for that.'

Jackson, who escorted Miss Taylor along a violet carpet into the theater, earlier sang a song "Elizabeth," which he wrote especially for the event and for the godmother of his newborn

"Elizabeth, I love you, you're more than just a star to me,' Jackson crooned.

Roseanne, Carol Burnett, Hugh Grant, Elizabeth Hurley, Lily Tomlin, Cher and Arsenio Hall also paid tribute to Miss Taylor, who shunned her traditional purple outfit for a green gown and coat.

Whoopie Goldberg, John Travolta and Rosie O'Donnell appeared via videotaped messages for the event. It will air as a two-hour ABC special on Feb. 24, three days before her actual birthday.

Outside the theater, a blocklong stretch of Hollywood Boulevard was temporarily renamed Elizabeth Taylor Way in honor of the woman who won best actress Academy Awards for "Butterfield 8" and "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

Miss Taylor needs an operation to remove a benign brain tumor. Her surgery was originally planned for today but was postponed for sometime this week because of lingering flu symptoms. No date has been set, her publicist Maria Pignataro said Sunday night.

The tumor on the "lining of her left frontal lobe" was detected following an MRI brain scan during her annual physical examination earlier this month. Her doctor expected a full recovery without complications, Pignataro

New trail signs



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Hikers and bikers of the Pampa city parks can expect to see new signs marking the way. City park workers Dustin "Tiny" Larkin, mixing cement; John Oxley, holding the sign straight; and Ed Turner, pouring cement, take advantage of the mild weather on Friday to install as many signs as possible in the city parks indicating the J. Kirk Duncan Memorial Hike and Bike Trail, named in honor of the late resident who supported beautification efforts in the parks and city.

Republicans plan reception in honor of Susan Combs

State Rep. Warren Chisum will Texas introduce Susan Combs of Production Austin at a reception for her Credit Asof you they will be touched, they starting at 9:45 a.m. Friday at sociation. will be fed, they will be nurtured Chaney's Restaurant, 716 W. She is a

The reception, hosted by the member of Gray County Republican Party both the and Top O' Texas Republican Texas and Women's Club, is honoring Southwest-Combs for her active life in Texas ern Cattle government and agriculture. Raisers
Mrs. Combs has indicated that Association Susan Combs she will be a candidate in 1998 for and Texas agriculture commissioner Texas Wildlife Association. Combs should Rick Perry decide not to run for that office, she said.

Combs, a fourth generation Texan and rancher, runs a cowcalf operation in Brewster Texas House of Representatives, County on a ranch originally and after two terms in the established by her great-grandfather. She and her husband, Joe, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison as her who runs a successful high-tech state liaison. company, are parents of three sons, Alex, Blaise and David.

She has served on the boards of renew the Texas Beef Council and the Combs

the is also a member of Texas Farm Bureau, Texas CattleWomen and Texas Agri-Women.

In 1992 she was elected to the Legislature, she was hired by

The hosts encourage the public to attend the reception and acquaintance with

City briefs

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TIME TO apply Prepotato with melted butter, Emergent weed and feed. Kills sauteed onions and peppers, the weeds before they come up, topped with melted Provolone available at Watson's Feed & Garden. Hwy. 60 East. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST Tonight, mostly cloudy with a

mostly cloudy and breezy with a high in the mid 60s. Chance of late afternoon and evening showers. Sunday's high was 63; the overnight low was 41.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas

breezy. A slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs 60-

North Texas - Tonight, considow in the low 40s. Tuesday, erable cloudiness. Lows 50 to 56. Tuesday, cloudy. Windy west and central. Highs 62 to 68.

for late afternoon and evening ing fog becoming mostly cloudy showers. Highs from around 60 and breezy. Highs near 70 inland plains. Tuesday, cloudy and fog developing late this evening. west late. Highs mostly 60s.

Lows in mid 50s coast to low 50s inland. Tuesday, partly cloudy and windy. Highs near 70 coast to mid 70s inland.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, mostly cloudy. Scattered showers and South Texas - Hill Country mountain snow showers central and South Central: Tonight, part- and west. Lows 20s to mid 30s ly cloudy and cool. Lows in mountains and north with mid upper 40s. Tuesday, mostly 30s to mid 40s elsewhere. Panhandle: cloudy. Highs near 70. Upper Tuesday, cooler with a chance of Tonight, mostly cloudy and Coast: Tonight, mostly cloudy showers and mountain snow breezy with lows from around 40—with areas of dense fog and driz-showers. Highs 40s to mid 50s into the low 40s. Tuesday, mostly zle. Lows near 50 inland to mountains and north with 50s to cloudy and breezy with chance upper 50s coast. Tuesday, morn-mid 60s lower elevations central

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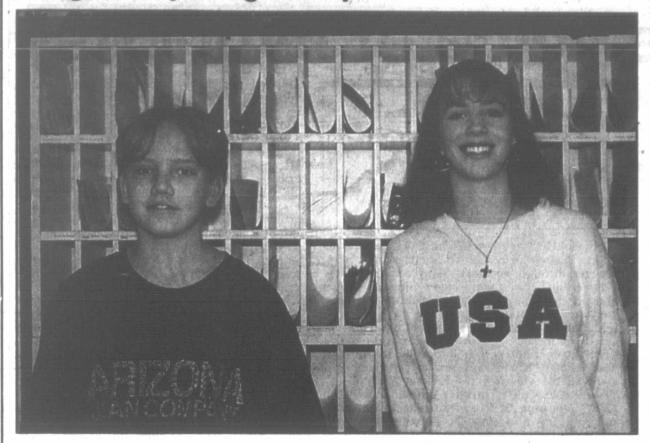
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8th grade spelling champs



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Jessica Morrison and Aaron Fernuik out-spelled all other competitors at the Pampa Middle School Spelling Bee and took first and second place in their division. Like other middle school winners, they will compete in the County Spelling Bee on March 7.

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Sheriff's helicopter crashes

in remote San Diego County

sheriff's helicopter investigating

suspected trespassers lost power and "dropped like rock," killing

down at 7:44 p.m. Sunday on pri-

vate property near Santee Lakes, a

rural area about 20 miles northeast

of downtown San Diego, sheriff's

Deputy Pat Coyle, 42, was critical-

ly wounded and died about three

hours later, according to a spokes-

woman for the medical examiner.

The pilot, Deputy Ron Hobson, was

the copter, but left the passenger compartment largely intact.

landed to investigate a truck in

the Sycamore Canyon area, said

Sheriff's Sgt. Don Crist.

had actually seen bicyclists.

The pilot and an observer had

hospitalized in stable condition.

department officials said.

a deputy and injuring the pilot.

SANTEE, Calif. (AP) — A

HOUSTON (AP) – School unipoorer students get assistance. forms, once the signature dress of Parents opposed to uniforms traction," said Sheila Lidstone, private and parochial schools, are were given the right to refuse or suddenly mushrooming in popu- seek a transfer for their child as long as they had a legitimate reliadopted the wearing of uniforms.

Barbara Williams, spokesderful job as far as neatening up of School Boards, said more dis-

"I think it's good to some look wonderful, the kids feel degree because of the brand

belong on campus, eases the the school crest. Two years ago, state law gave strain on family budgets and pro-

Nation briefs

As they turned away, the air-

NEW YORK (AP) — While the

Saint Patrick's Cathedral, dissi-

dent Roman Catholics were on the

Members of the liberal group We

Are Church passed around peti-

tions in New York and nationwide

Sunday, calling on the church to

relax its stance on the ordination of

women, celibacy for clergy, homo-

"The majority of American

regardless of what the Pope

says," said Margaret Dubbins, of

Los Angeles, who signed the

group's petition on her way into

Mass. "There's a silent majority

within the church that is doing

sexuality and other issues.

front steps stumping for change.

craft lost power and went down,

Catholic activists seek

change in church policy

Crist said.

The Hughes 500 helicopter went faithful attended services inside

The crash sheared the tail from Catholics are moving ahead

"It eliminates the fashion disspokeswoman for the Galveston district, where five schools

"We're also able to track atten-A bill recently passed by the dance better because kids in unitrying to skip school," Ms. Lidstone said.

Ms. Polhemus said her school "It certainly has done a won- woman for the Texas Association has adopted a policy called "uniformity with individuality." Students are allowed a choice

of red, white, yellow, green or blue polo shirts with khaki or navy blue bottoms. The girls also good about themselves. The fact frenzy we have," Ms. Williams can wear multi-color plaid skirts or jumpers. Other options School officials also say it helps include school T-shirts in white speaks very well for the fact that identify intruders who don't or blue, and a denim shirt with

> Students are not forced to com-90 percent of them do.

group's national coordinator.

Teachers reward perfect

attendance with day off

them a day off.

exactly that last week.

dreamed up the idea.

TROTWOOD, Ohio (AP) -

Teachers in this Dayton suburb

have found a new way to get stu-

dents to attend school: Give

Twenty-five students at

Trotwood-Madison Junior High

School with perfect attendance

for the latest nine-week term got

stands for "perfect attendance"

and "paid absence," according to

teacher Bobbie Eagle, who

attended school," Ms. Eagle said.

"It's paying them off for having

They cashed in a PA day, which

Border city celebrates George's birthday

LAREDO, Texas (AP) - It's a question Tony Trevino has heard time and time again: Why does Laredo, a mostly Hispanic city on the Mexico border, celebrate George Washington's birthday?

And why has that celebration become the most popular in town and possibly one of the largest in the country?

The answer is probably too basic to satisfy the curious, but here goes:

"It's just something our forefa-thers did," Trevino said. "They wanted to have a festival in Laredo, and they decided to honor the first president. We've just continued it."

This is the 100th year Laredoans have wished Washington a happy birthday in their own unique way.

What started as a birthday bash for one of the country's founding fathers has blossomed into an international celebration of unity between this city and its sister to the south, Nuevo Laredo, Mexico.

"It really embraces the culture of Laredo and Nuevo Laredo as far as the friendliness of the people, and it has endured that through all the times," says Trevino, a member of the George Washington's Birthday Celebration Association, which organizes the annual festival.

The idea was born in 1897 when the Red Men, a organization of prominent men who dressed as Indians, established a charter in Laredo. The members, led by Chief Sachem A.C. Hamilton, wanted to hold some type of celebration that honored patriotism.

When they discovered that George Washington had been called Sachem by the Sons of Liberty, who disguised themselves as Indians while devising plans to free the colonies from Britain, they agreed his birthday would be the most fitting time for the celebration.

The first event was held the next year, when the Red Men and the White Men, Laredoans of both American and Mexican ancestry, held a mock raid on City Hall.

The battle ended when the great Chief Sachem and his braves mounted the battlement, and the mayor presented them with the key to the city as a sign of unconditional surrender. The chief then delivered the key to Princess Pocahontas.

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President empowers airline, takes the bite out of the word 'strike'

scary images to the flying public after years of painful losses. anymore.

That is the precedent set by President Clinton in ordering American Airlines pilots back to work within minutes after they declared a strike early Saturday, averting chaotic disruptions to hundreds of thousands of passengers.

If pilot negotiations at four other of the nation's biggest airlines get to the brink of a walkout, airline chiefs and passengers almost certainly will be looking to the White House to keep the planes in the air.

Clinton made a hugely popular decision by effectively removing the one potent negotiating weapon in the American pilot union's arsenal. There was pilots in their quest for more compensation, largely because at \$120,000 a year they already are among the most highly paid professionals in the country.

ly pilots, that could severely restrict their bargaining power. Encouraged by the stronger possibility of presidential interventions to prevent strikes, airline an emergency and ordered the bosses now have little incentive to accept union demands.

tions for the industry that aren't union leaders were going to all good," said Ron Keever, an complain about it. American pilot. "Management negotiating in good faith."

NEW YORK (AP) - The word line industry, which has become "strike" doesn't conjure up such healthy and profitable again

Pilots at United, Northwest, Continental and USAir also are haggling over new contracts and had been keeping a close watch on the American negotiations.

The United branch of the Air Line Pilots Association, which recently turned down a ten percent four-year pay increase pro-posal, warned pilots that if Clinton got in the way of an American Airlines strike, it would weaken their bargaining position.

Pilots at Continental are preparing for contract talks to start this summer and hope to get a piece of the company's profits after years of enduring lower pay relative to colleagues at other airlines.

All six of the unions at little obvious sympathy for the Northwest Airlines are in negotiations and looking for higher pay while the company is asking for increased productivity. At USAir, managers are trying to cut pay. The company recent-But Clinton also sent a signal 'y offered pilots a 12.5 percent to all airline workers, particular- pay cut in return for a sevenyear contract without layoffs.

Clinton's decision marked the first time in 30 years that a presiden: declared an airline strike workers back to their jobs. But he did so with the comfort of "I think it has some implica- knowing that not too many

One White House aide, speakcan just sit back and let the gov- ing on condition of anonymity, ernment step in, instead of recalled the response from an AFL-CIO official about the pos-American pilots haven't been sibility of presidential action. the only ones trying to squeeze "These aren't our guys," the more money out of the U.S. air- union rep said of the pilots.

Probe links former officials to drug money

MEXICO CITY (AP) - U.S. officials have refused comment prosecutors will present evidence regarding the questioning. to a Houston grand jury next arug traffickers, newspapers most of the claims. reported Sunday.

Sunday's newspaper accounts month linking the brother of a about the allegations under

former Mexican president and a investigation were sketchy and former top Mexican prosecutor to did not identify the sources of

In one instance, testimony from Reforma and La Jornada news- someone identified only as a papers cited federal court pro- "collaborating witness" said ceedings in Houston centering on drug trafficker Garcia Abrego, a former Mexican deputy attor- now serving a life term in the ney general, Mario Ruiz Massieu. United States, used to pay Ruiz Ruiz Massieu is believed to have Massieu and Raul Salinas de been questioned this month by Gortari millions of dollars to pro-U.S. investigators, but American tect his rackets.

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Opinion

Frivolous lawsuits are a waste of time

If you go to Disneyland and the wait for the Indiana Jones ride is extremely long do you sue Disney? If your prepaid cable TV service goes blooey ten minutes before your Super Bowl party, do you sue the cable company?

Obviously not. In business, high demand products sometimes cause frustrating delivery delays, or even failure. Customers can wait, complain, ask for a refund - or take their business elsewhere

That wasn't good enough for some customers upset with the America Online Internet service. Many users of the largest on-line service have had well publicized difficulties logging on in recent weeks, in part because of the success of AOL's new pricing policies. Since November, AOL users who once paid according to how many hours they used have been offered unlimited access for a flat fee of \$19.95 a month. Demand, not surprisingly, has skyrocketed, running ahead of AOL's ability to provide new lines. Five subscribers in California filed a class-action lawsuit

against AOL

The lawsuit alleges that AOL - excuse the legalese - "explicitly and/or impliedly represented that the AOL defendants would have sufficient telephone lines, telephone modems and computer equipment so that the members of the plaintiff class would be able to access and use the AOL defendants' services without encountering busy and unavailable telephone lines and/or inaccessible computer equipment.

The lawsuit asks for "restitution and damages" of "at least \$20 million" for AOL's seven million members.

That sounds like a lot of money for busy phone lines. Actually, last November AOL sent a letter to members that warned, "No matter how hard we try, however, we do expect the sudden increase in use ... to create some temporary 'traffic con-

gestion' - especially during our peak periods. sers of all the popular on-line services share tales of busy signals, disconnects and slowdowns from time to time. And the phone companies themselves sometimes have busy signals. Should AT&T be sued when people can't immediately call Mom-

on Mother's Day If AOL subscribers are upset, they can switch to such national Internet systems as the Microsoft Network, Prodigy and Compuserve or to one of the local services available in most parts

But run to the courts for relief? It's hard to see the fraud, lies or other gross misrepresentations the defendants contend justify a

The lawsuit against AOL must be viewed in the context of the explosion or litigation throughout U.S. society and the costs such בשריבות וצומשמון

John Sullivan, president of the Association for California Tort Reform, summed it up well: "This lawsuit is going to take the company - time and money away from solving the problem. The problem is something better served by competition in the market

han by making I lew lawyers wealthy. "his litigation is extremely costly whether it's killing jobs, driand up the cost of products or stifling unnovation. In California, we've seen a mushrooming of complaints, not because they're varranted, but to drive up the settlement value of ordinary lawsuits. That's the essential problem - not that punitive damages are rad, not they recised to obuse the system, abuse the consumer."

Thought for today

The ingrest proof of virtue is to pussess boundless power without musing it.

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NPR: The voice of hypocrisy

National Public Radio hasn't shrunk from pre-senting itself as the scourge of corporate bigotry. Recently, NPR reporter Jim Zarroli and others reported at least ten news stories and three commentaries on the Texaco racial discrimination controversy, employing the familiar formula of guilty racist corporation versus heroic left-wing activists (never labeled that way, of course) like Jesse Jackson. All Things Considered host Robert Siegel even rehashed 50-year-old stories about Texaco supplying the Nazis with oil.

On Talk of the Nation Dec. 30, NPR host Ray Suarez gave the NPR company line on corporate racism: "You'll often find in the details of the settlement package released by the company an odd mix of fanfare and contrition, a commitment to diversity training, or multicultural management workshops, or some form of penance. When I read that, I sometimes wonder: What do the accused and the aggrieved think is going to be accomplished by this? Does using these classes as traffic school for bigots change mores - what de Tocqueville called 'habits of the heart'? Or do they form in managers a determination to be more cagey the next time?"

If ever a pot called a kettle black, this is it. NPR deserves to be nicknamed "Voice of Hypocrisy." This champion of the onerous anti-discrimination regimes which thrive on claims of "hostile environments" and ubiquitous "disabilities" continues to be pecked by chickens coming home to roost. The newest lawsuit comes from NPR reporter Sunni Khalid, a black Muslim who served as Cairo bureau chief. He charges his NPR superiors discriminated against him for being black and being Muslim.

To listen to his rants is to conclude that Khalid is neither an objective reporter nor a particularly nice person. On C-SPAN in 1994, Khalid compared Newt Gingrich to Haitian Marxist Jean-Bertrand



L. Brent Bozell

people told Father Aristide to sort of moderate his views. They were concerned about people being dragged through the streets, killed and necklaced. I don't think that's what Newt Gingrich has in mind. I think he's looking at a more scientific, more civil way of lynching people.

Khalid's incessant pro-Arab slant has also triggered complaints from the Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting in America (CAMERA): "Khalid appears to have adopted many of the views of his various Arab hosts," CAMERA Executive Director Andrea Levin wrote NPR, "repeating their partisan attacks on Israel and ignoring altogether or downplaying Arab aggression toward Israel as well as ongoing Arab abuses of human an political rights in their respective states.

Now Khalid has a new target, NPR, and a new victim, himself. Khalid's suit complains former NPR Vice President Bill Buzenberg promised Khalid "would be assigned to Johannesburg after a year in Cairo," causing Khalid to "turn down a job offer from a major commercial news organization, which was a highly paid position that would have greatly advanced his career." (If true, it would be intriguing to learn what "news" organization offered this blowhard a job, wouldn't it?)

In his suit, Khalid also whines NPR failed to Aristide: "I think there's a big difference when pay for Arabic lessons while it provided language made for each other?

training for white reporters; paid him less than white foreign correspondents; failed to provide him with sufficient travel allowances; and suffered from a superior who repeatedly called Arabs

"ragheads" in staff meetings. Khalid's complaint further alleges "NPR has no African-American hosts of an NPR show or African-American senior editors assigned to NPR's major news programs. Four of five NPR desks do not have a minority senior editor. Further, each time African-Americans at NPR have organized, NPR has refused to address the problem of discrimination in a comprehensive manner." It adds that black employees are often subject to retaliation for their complaints - including Deborah Williams, an assistant producer on the supposedly vigilant Ray Suarez's Talk of the Nation, who has "been subjected to verbal abuse by her superiors and has been repeatedly overlooked for promotion."

It's unimportant how specious you and I might (and I do) feel these charges to be. The question is this: Given that these charges parallel the Texaco complaints, and given the saturation media coverage Texaco received, and given the taxpayer-funded nature of NPR - where are our illustrious journalists now? Why no pressure on black NPR President Delano Lewis "to release copies of a report NPR recently commissioned from an outside law firm that allegedly confirmed that "racism is pervasive in the NPR newsroom"?

Last year, NPR and the rest of the Anita Hillloving media ignored the sexual discrimination charges of Katie Davis, whose complaint also included other employees' claims of sexual harassment by NPR managers. Now, it's Khalid's turn to be ignored by a press that continues to spare its politically correct NPR colleagues the slings and arrows it relishes shooting at everyone else. In the final analysis, aren't Khalid and NPR

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Feb. 17, the 48th day of 1997. There are 317 days left in the year. This is Presidents Day. Today's Highlight in History:

One hundred years ago, on Feb. 17, 1897, the forerunner of the National PTA, the National Congress of Mothers, was founded in Washington. On this date:

In 1801, the House of Representatives broke an electoral tie between Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr, electing Jefferson president. Burr became vice president. In 1817, a street in Baltimore

became the first to be lighted with gas from America's first gas company. In 1865, Columbia, S.C., burned as the Confederates evacuated and

Union forces moved in. (It's not American officer serving with a United known which side set the blaze.)

reception at its premiere at La Scala in Milan, Italy. In 1933, Newsweek was first published.

In 1904, Giacomo Puccini's opera

"Madama Butterfly" received a poor

In 1947, the Voice of America began broadcasting to the Soviet In 1964, the Supreme Court issued its "one man, one vote" decision, rul-

each state had to be roughly equal in in November 1994). population. In 1972, 25 years ago, President Nixon departed on his historic trip to

district. Five years ago: Serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer was sentenced in Milwaukee to life in prison (howev-

ing congressional districts within er, he was beaten to death in prison One year ago: World chess champion Garry Kasparov beat IBM

Nations truce monitoring group, was

kidnapped in southern Lebanon (he

Ten years ago: On Wall Street,

the Dow Jones industrial average

rose 54.14 points to a record

2,237.49, despite an insider-trad-

ing scandal rocking the financial

was later slain by his captors).

supercomputer Deep Blue, winning a six-game match in Philadelphia In 1988, Lt. Col. William Higgins, an (Kasparov had lost the first game, is 16.

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Today's Birthdays: Actress Kathleen Foreman is 78. Margaret Truman Daniel is 73. Actor Hal Holbrook is 72. Singer Bobby Lewis is 64. Actor Alan Bates is 63. Football Hall-of-Famer Jim Brown is 61. Actress Mary Ann Mobley is 58. Singer Gene Pitney is 56. Actress Brenda Fricker is 52. Actor Richard Karn (Home Improvement) is 41. Actor Lou Diamond Phillips is 35. Basketball player Michael Jordan is 34. Rock singer-musician Billie Joe Armstrong (Green Day) is 25. Country singer Bryan White is 23. Actor Joseph Gordon-Levitt (3rd Rock from the Sun)

Beyond raced-based programs

Ward Connerly - the father of California's Proposition 209 - has formed the American Civil Rights Institute, which will continue, on a national level, the campaign against race and sex preferences in college admissions, among other areas. In response, Martin Luther King III - the elder son of the most compelling advocate for equal opportunity in American history - has created another new national organization, Americans United for Affirmative Action.

It is likely that the Supreme Court will eventually decide the constitutionality of Proposition 209, but in view of increasing opposition to racebased affirmative action, not only on the Right, the debate will bitterly continue for a long time, in

and out of state legislatures.

Already, however, some colleges and universities - in fear of what some courts have already done - have decided to find a way of achieving diversity without making race the main factor. Last November, in Synfax Weekly Report - a valuable independent newsletter for college administrators - editor Gary Pavela predicted that a growing new concept of affirmative action "will prompt colleges to collaborate with high schools in disadvantaged areas, helping to identify and _country. nurture students of all races even if most of them may be black and Latino.

This is not a new idea. On a small scale, various reached out to middle and high school students on the wrong side of the tracks and prepared them, during weekends and summers, for college with good results. Most of those youngsters have been black, but not exclusively.

In recent years, a few colleges have also gotten the colleges and universities trumpeting their



Nat Hentoff

their light toward finding applicants in schools in poor neighborhoods. Their basic concern has been with merely improving the statistics of black enrollment - without doing the hard, sometimes expensive work, of preparing youngsters of lowincome families for college.

A notably important article on what colleges can accomplish by going beyond traditional affirmative action – based on racial preference – is Rene Sanchez's "Post Preference College Recruiters Help Minority Students Prepare" (Washington Post, Dec. 28). It ought to be read by college administrators and legislators across the

The goal now of a rising number of universities uncertain as to the future of affirmative action is, as Sanchez writes, "to get many more disadprivate organizations and individuals have vantaged minority students on a track to college years ahead of time and to make them more qualified to enroll based on academic merit, rather than the color of their skin.

The focus ought not to be only on disadvantaged minority students. Years ago, during the Boston civil war - when a federal judge tried to involved in outreach programs. But by and large, integrate nearly all-white South Boston High School - the press overlooked the fact that the involvement in affirmative action have not cast white school had been as bad as the black schools the wrong neighborhood."

from which the decidedly unwelcome newcomers came. Few of the white students, most of them from low-income families, went on to college because hardly anyone encouraged them to try. So too with the black students.

One of Sanchez's illustrations of how outreach before college becomes the ticket to new challenges and satisfactions is MESA, a University of California engineering and science achievement program. "It serves," Sanchez writes, more than 13,000 students statewide. Most of them are minorities because officials target the program in minority communities, but no race is excluded ..

"At Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School, in one of San Francisco's poorest neighborhoods, students have been working in the program a few times a week. (Now) dozens of them are taking a MESA class every day, and sometimes on

The school's principal, James Taylor, points out the importance of "just exposing them early enough to get on track for the right courses in high school and the right track to college. To make sure they are qualified, we have to start very, very

But in any city, there are non-black disadvantaged kids who also need exposure to get them on the right track. Frank Macchiarola, former chancellor of the New York City public school system, once saw a kid lounging on the steps of his high school when he should have been in class. "What do vou want to be?" Macchiarola asked.

'Sanitation man," the youngster answered. You ought to be thinking about going to college," the chancellor said. The boy shook his head. 'Dammit," Macchiarola said to me, "he doesn't think he can make it because he's Italian and in

Sagging grandchild gap is bad news did want to have a family. He wasn't happy about

For an itinerant demographic dabbler like me, always remembering that the plural of anecdote is data, the audience was almost too good to be true. There they were, about 500 people, mostly students, seated in the chapel at Oklahoma City University. It's a good school. And, mid-continent and Methodist, it's a good sample to assay as I go about my quest for my grail: trying to understand why educated young Americans are having so few children, what it means, and whether there is something gentle and reasonable that might be done about it So I conducted a poll. I asked the students how

many children they expected to have. Some said one. The vast majority said two. Some said three. A few said four or more: A few said none

An average of about two kids per couple - that's what they think. But it likely won't happen. "Expectations" data usually run ahead of what ends up happening. (Some people who want to have children are unable to have children, or unable to have more children after a first delivery.)

I asked the students at what age they expected to have their first child. A few said by age 25. The overwhelming majority said at age 30, which is quite old as these things go. A key demographic axiom is "fertility delayed is fertility denied

The Total Fertility Rate of college graduates in America today is only 1.6 children per woman, according to demographer Martin O'Connell of the U.S. Census Bureau. Rates for blacks are a little lower than for whites. In either case, it's well less than the 1.9 to 2.0 children per woman for the population as a whole, and about at the unbelievably low level of cur-



Ben Wattenberg

rent European rates, which lead to de-population. The birth rates in America today are near an all-time low. They have been declining steadily since 1990. What's going on?

During the question period at the OCU session, young woman said she would like to have a large family, but everything was so expensive these days, especially college tuition. I asked her whether she would have a large family if I gave her a million dollars a year. She thought for a moment and said yes. As a general matter, I doubt it. The more income a young family has, the fewer children that family is likely to have.

A young man said that his parents and grandparents had produced lots of children, but they had been farmers, and children were a benefit on the farm. In the city, where he lived, children are an economic burden.

A young man came up to me after the session. He said he was 30, that he had been married for seven years, that neither he nor his wife wanted to have children - yet. Eventually, he said, his wife

the idea. Why not? Because his parents had been divorced, and he didn't want to run the risk of inflicting that kind of difficulty on a child of his. A black woman, age 24, had been married for

three years. She said older women came up to her in the supermarket, among other places, and invariably said, "wait, wait, to have kids," so she would wait.

Another man, age 24, came up and pointed to a beeper on his belt. "I'm waiting for a call from my wife. We're expecting any minute."

He was a carpenter by trade, and studying finance at OCU. He said he was unsure about his career path. The turn of the new year had brought a financial surge to home-building, and the carpentry business was pretty good. "I don't know about corporate life," he said. "They're not loyal any more, downsizing whenever they feel like it. The only people who stick with you are your family.

The plural of anecdote is data. And data can show a trend. Here's one:

An ongoing world of two-child families offers each person, on average, four grandchildren shared by four grandparents, who are likely to be contented. An ongoing world of one-child families yields, on average, one grandchild shared by four grandparents, who are likely to be less contented. One is the average. It means zero for lots of folks. many of whom will feel shortchanged by life.

We're already facing a grandchild gap, due to low birth rates among the aging Baby Boomers. If their children, the fruit of the Baby Bust, continue the pattern, it will be worse for them-



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(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Samantha Jasso claimed first place and Charity Godwin placed second in the Pampa Middle School Spelling Bee, seventh grade division. On March 7, they will participate in the Gray County Spelling Bee at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.

it from the naked sun's heat.

materials brought along just in case - will keep the \$2 billion national treasure safe until the next ser-

Working six stories over the cargo bay of space shuttle Discovery, with the cloud-covered blue Earth as a backdrop, Gregory Harbaugh and Joe Tanner fitted insulation blankets over two rips in

It was a last-minute add-on to the work scheduled for the ourth spacewalk of the mission. NASA added a fifth spacewalk for tonight to finish

Even as they struggled with the tough task, the astronauts took time to admire the unparalleled view. Indeed, the setting was breathtaking. The astronauts were standing on a platform lifted by the shuttle crane to the top of the 43-foot telescope. Counting the height of the device holding the unplanned repair. Hubble, they were about 60 feet over the cargo bay,

shield – the barrel-shaped top half of the telescope. since its launch. It was fastened with a nylon and steel drawstring

The spacewalk lasted six hours, 34 minutes, ries it in and out of sunlight.

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) - In the tradition bringing the total for Discovery's mission to 27

front of three compartments housing electronics.

It was an arts and crafts task similar to that performed under much more stringent circumstances by the crew of Apollo 13 after their oxygen tank exploded while they were en route to the moon in 1970.

This repair was not considered urgent, but scientists wanted to take no chances with the Hubble, which has made astounding astronomical discoveries since its nearsightedness was cured with corrective lenses in 1993. The fear was that the heat-sensitive electronics that control the telescope could be damaged.

During Sunday night's spacewalk, the astronauts also equipped Hubble with new drive electronics for its solar panels and sturdier caps for two magnetometers. The caps fit over gold-colored Baggies, fastened with plastic tie-wraps, installed by two other astronauts in 1993 - another on-the-spot,

The astronauts discovered the tattered insulation late last week. The worst damage was on the side The insulation blanket was brought along on the of the telescope exposed to the sun's heat and mission to repair possible pinholes in the light intense ultraviolet radiation during the seven years

State briefs

Activist calls for lawful red

light district for sex businesses **HOUSTON** (AP) — The city's most famous advocate of so-called family values and public decency

now espouses legalized prostitution. Geneva Kirk Brooks - wellknown for fighting to keep Madonna's Sex book from public libraries - now wants to see a city- or county-owned district that would the game could win \$57,575.70. contain various sexually oriented businesses, including brothels.

Ms. Brooks, 73, said the AIDS epidemic and the rise of herpes prompted her change of heart regarding prostitution.

banned, and while she has nothing but scorn for the owners of now says it is impossible to eradicate sexually oriented business.

So instead, such businesses Parks should be confined to a single area, she told the Houston Chronicle for today's editions.

Cash 5 ads pulled after letter species on their property. from college statistics class

ads for its Cash 5 game from landowners under the pilot prostores after a college statistics gram. class sent a letter claiming that possible winnings in the game Service has allotted \$100,000 for

were being exaggerated. The class at San Antonio Tom Harvey said. College, which was using Cash 5 data to practice statistical analy- Hollywood's new sensitivity sis, determined that someone who matches all five numbers in

In-store ads for the game, however, state that five-of-five winners can win \$75,000.

Commission Lottery spokesman Steve Levine said Cash 5 television ads won't be Although she still believes changed, and the decision to admission of error.

the city's topless bars, Brooks Parks and Wildlife trying new grant program

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas and Department has kicked off a Fisher, who sells true-crime stoprogram that will pay ries to various studios for the threatened or endangered Agency in Los Angeles. species on their property. "Even implied violence, off-

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The cations for grants of up to are saying 'no.' They just don't Texas Lottery has pulled printed \$10,000 each to qualified want to go near that."

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife the program, agency spokesman

keeping Routier saga off TV HOUSTON (AP) — The tale of Darlie Routier, the mother sent to death row for killing one of her young sons, seems to have all the components that Hollywood to a crime.

So where are all the film crews this time?

Hollywood insiders say stu-Larry Flint's Hustler should be remove the printed ads is not an dios are shying away in large part because of an increasing reluctance to portray violence against children as entertainment.

"This has become a massive Wildlife no-no for television," said Steve landowners to help conserve Renaissance Literary and Talent

The agency is accepting appli-screen violence - the networks

Discovery crew performs repairs to ready telescope for another two years in space

of make-do repairs made famous on Apollo 13, hours, 54 minutes. The total for the five spacewalks astronauts fastened bandages over the Hubble in the 1993 mission was 35 hours, 26 minutes. Space Telescope's aging insulation today to protect

vicing mission in 1999.

the protective Teflon cover.

the insulation job.

still securely tethered to the shuttle.

onto handholds and bolts.

While Harbaugh and Tanner worked, other astronauts inside the shuttle cabin were stitching togeth-NASA officials were confident the repairs – using er – with wire and clips – materials to be placed in

Hubble's exterior is subjected to enormous temperature swings each time the telescope's orbit car-

6th grade spelling champs



Sixth grade winners of the Pampa Middle School Spelling Bee Nicole Sikes, first place, and Megan Shannon, second place, will participate in the Gray County Spelling Bee at the Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa on March 7.

Biologists call for commission on harmful aliens

want a government commission the threat. to investigate the menace.

snails and mussels are turning up economic impacts are soaring. on America's coasts that in some We simply cannot allow this places, the native inhabitants can hardly be found. The invaders, from Asia,

Europe and other distant shores, travel in cargo holds, ship ballast tanks and even bait shipments, yet the public is largely unaware and the government is having a stopping time

send to Vice President Al Gore of native grasses a day. next month, more than 200 sci-

consulate, where a high-ranking

North Korean defector is holed

Diplomatic tension surround-

ing the defection last week of

Hwang Jong Yop grew with the

weekend shooting of another

prominent defector living in

Both China and South Korea

The police, backed by an

armored car and water cannon,

guarded the consulate in Beijing

where Hwang - a designer of

North Korea's guiding philosophy of self-reliance - has been

have stepped up precautions against possible North Korean

Seoul.

terrorism.

since Wednesday.

Standoff over defector continues

BEIJING (AP) - North Koreans North Koreans keeping vigil

left. Chinese arrived. And heavi- outside the consulate, police

ly armed police maintained their blocked surrounding streets

guard today at South Korea's with their cars and tire-shred-

ding spikes.

SEATTLE (AP) - There are entists are calling for a presi- to New England after an aliens among us, and biologists dential commission to study absence since 1970 would find a

> unacceptable degradation of our in a new environment, it comnation's public and agricultural lands to continue," the scientists wrote in the letter released Sunday.

There are comparable problems in other environments. In from the mid-Atlantic to the Gulf the rivers and lakes of central and eastern North America, invading zebra mussels clog The problem is so severe that water intake pipes and push out biologists have asked the White native species. And on western House to do something about rangelands, foreign weeds are of the University of New it. In a letter that they plan to crowding out thousands of acres

"A marine biologist returning they've done."

"The Chinese government has

recognized the security problem

is more serious than before,"

Chang Moon-ik, spokesman for

the South Korean Embassy, said

today. He added that Hwang was

Chang and China's foreign

ministry would not comment on

the negotiations on Seoul's

request to Beijing to allow

being well cared for.

Hwang to leave.

very different world today," 'We are losing the war against said James Carlton, a professor So many crabs, clams, worms, invasive exotic species, and their of marine sciences at Williams College.

When an exotic invader settles petes for resources with native species, often with undesirable consequences. European green crabs, for example, crowd out the tasty blue crabs that are caught of Mexico.

The overall impact of the inva-

sion is unknown. "We really only have a handful of studies," said Edwin Grosholz Hampshire. "We just really don't have any information about what

Mitch says, my dad

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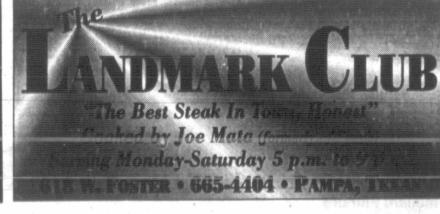
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THE PAMPA NEWS

Monday February 17

Daughter's Engagement Is No Cause For Mom's Celebration

DEAR ABBY: I am writing be cause I am very disturbed by the lack of morals in our young people today.

Our daughter just became engaged after more than two years of living with her male friend. They didn't have the respect to care what we thought, and they knew how we felt because they were told that we will not visit them where they live. (We do see them at our home.)

They expected us to be delighted over their engagement. I felt it was time they were married, not engaged to live together for yet another year.

I was also surprised that her livein boyfriend came to us to ask for permission to marry our daughter. When they are breaking all the old traditions, why believe in this one?)

Needless to say, we were not very receptive, and said neither "yes" nor "no." After all, a few years of living together will not prove that their marriage will last.

I am also upset because our fine "strict" Catholic church doesn't address this subject from the pulpit.

I'd like to add that because of the live-in situation, I will neither have nor will I attend any bridal showers. Nor will I pay for the wedding. I would like to hear your opinion. I'm upset that things are this way and can't really enjoy my only daughter's wedding.

DISAPPROVING MOTHER

DEAR MOTHER: Since you asked for my opinion, here it is:

Horoscope

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1997

You could be fortunate this year in estab-

lishing solid relationships with persons

from all walks of life. It could be difficult to choose one friendship above the others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Try to

keep very busy today; if you focus on

your responsibilities without letting any

The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help more than you do.

you understand what to do to make the LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Give credence to



Obviously, you are hurting or you wouldn't have written to unburden yourself. Taking this rigid, insensitive, punitive stand will only increase your pain and reinforce your isolation from your daughter and future son-in-law.

You have nothing to gain and everything to lose, including contact with any future grandchildren, if you refuse to accept the young couple's decisions.

If it's not too late, please reverse your harsh decision, apologize to your daughter and her fiance, and enjoy the wedding.

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing about the letter from "Cannot Believe It in Florida," whose family spent more than \$500 to entertain 12 wedding guests who collectively gave one inexpensive gift.

The next time she hosts a wedding, instead of seating guests in sections for "bride" and "groom," she

relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to

Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O.

Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York,

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) In order to

the quality of your companions will be

ARIES (March 21-April 19) This is a

good day to finish projects. Use this day

effectively, because you're good at start-

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Keep your

schedule as flexible as possible today;

you could become extremely restless and

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Focus your

can contribute to your financial security.

resentful if your day is too structured.

more significant than the quantity.

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ing and finishing.

should ask if they have given "expensive" or "inexpensive" gifts so she can seat them accordingly. Guests who brought a gift of value equal to the cost of their "admission" can enjoy the sumptuous meal and unlimited beverages, while those whose gifts do not measure up can line up for warm water and stale bread.

"Cannot Believe It" tried to show she has class and taste by describing the lovely wedding at an exclusive club, sparing no expense. But by writing and complaining to you about the unacceptable gift, she showed quite the opposite.

CANNOT BELIEVE HER IN VIRGINIA
DEAR CANNOT BELIEVE HER: I cautioned "Cannot Believe It" against approaching the guests about their gift. I hope she heeded my advice.

DEAR ABBY: I know that this is going to sound like a silly question, but I really need to know: Is the word "harassment" pronounced "huh-rass-ment" or "hair-us-ment"? Even on the news they pronounce it differently.

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. **DEAR BAKERSFIELD: Al**though Merriam Webster's Collegiate Dictionary (Tenth Edition) lists two pronunciations for the verb "harass," the first (and preferred) pronunciation is with the emphasis on the rass. Presumably the same holds true for the noun "harassment."

your intuition today. It could perceive things your logic might miss, especially pertaining to something you feel strongly

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Maintain high thoroughly enjoy life and people today, expectations in all your dealings today, even those you consider mundane. You could be in for several surprises.

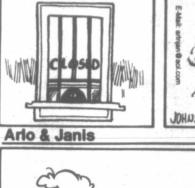
> LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You will attract favorable attention wherever you go today. You have an aura of authority which is free of pretense and pressure. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Involvement with others should turn out successfully today if you refrain from judging them. Do not be put off by shortcomings or over-

awed by attributes. effort and attention today on matters that SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Developments that require your personal atten-You could do well for yourself in this tion should work out well today. You will use your resources effectively.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You have CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Dipfrivolous interests sidetrack you, the an ability today to take charge and put lomacy and tact are your two best assets results will be productive and rewarding. awkward developments back on course. today. They can be used skillfully to ward Trying to patch up a broken romance? Associates might recognize this skill even off any annoying complications that could

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"That dog will beg for rides in anything."



For Better or For Worse

EACH YEAR AT THIS

TIME, A DAY'S SET

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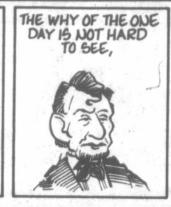


WHAT ELSE DOES HE SAY?

OH, HE'S STRESSED

OUT, BROKE, HAS NO CLEAN LAUNDRY

THE USUAL STUFF



YOU REALLY SHOULD LEARN HOW TO USE THIS THING-

IT REVOLUTIONIZES

CONVERSATION!



THINK ABOUT IT,

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Marvin





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scores in seven years'?'

"Which team was Lincoln talkin"

about when he said, 'Four











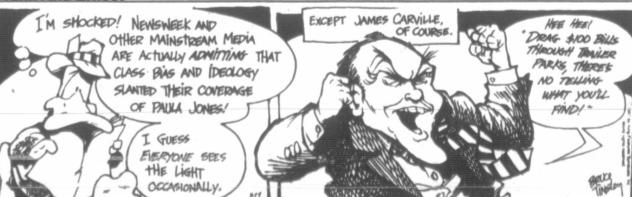








Frank And Ernest



Mallard Filmore

GOLF

IE AY

HONOLULU (AP) - While defending champion Jim Furyk and Mike Reid drew most of the attention in the final round in the Hawaiian Open, Paul Stankowski lurked in the background.

Then, after staying one or two strokes behind the front-runners, he birdied the final hole of regulation with a downhill 8-foot birdie to join the other two in the tournament's first three-way playoff.

"That was the big one because it got me in the playoff," Stankowski said Sunday after making a 1-footer on the fourth extra hole to capture the tourna-

But until the 72nd hole, it was Furyk and Reid exchanging leads and Stankowski quietly making big shots of his own.

BASKETBALL

DALLAS (AP) — New Dallas Mavericks general manager Don Nelson is taking offers for Sam Cassell and Derek Harper from playoff contenders in search of a point guard.

The Dallas Morning News, citing league sources, reported Sunday that Houston and Charlotte are interested in Harper. The Hornets also may be willing to swap forward Scott Burrell for Casself.

"Whatever happens, happens," said Cassell, who came to Dallas in a trade from Phoenix months after being dealt to the Suns by Houston.

"I would like to stay in Dallas. But if that's not the case, I know I'm a pretty good player in this league. If it's Charlotte or somewhere else, I would go down there and help them win."

Harper, 36, was pursued by both teams — as well as Detroit - while a free agent this past offseason.

FOOTBALL

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — St. ouis Rams running back Lawrence Phillips, placed on probation last week for drunken driving, was arrested for disorderly conduct Sunday morning after a disturbance at

Police were called to the Red Lion hotel at about 2:15 a.m., where they found the 21-yearold Phillips with five other men and several women having a party, Sgt. William Muldoon said.

"He started getting belligerent with the officers, cursing and yelling, and it got to the point where we had to arrest him," Muldoon said.

Muldoon said a couple of the women had filed harassment charges against some of the men but would not say which ones.

Phillips was released on \$50 bond, according to newly hired Rams head coach Dick Vermeil and is scheduled back in Douglas County Court

Tuesday. Vermeil called Phillips' actions a "disappointment."

"It's a repeated behavioral pattern. He's going to end up depriving himself of the opportunity to play in the National Football League, not by me but by the league. He's already had some problems," Vermeil said.

Phillips was already on probation for an assault on a Nebraska women's basketball player when he was convicted of a drunken driving charge in California in December. Phillips was placed on three years' probation, fined \$2,900 and must serve 80 hours of community service.

BASEBALL

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) -The Anaheim Angels said Sunday that right-hander Todd Van Poppel, who underwent surgery to repair a herniated disc in mid-January, is expected to join the club for spring training on March 1.

The 25-year-old former high school star from Arlington was acquired by the Angels off waivers from the Detroit Tigers last November. He was a combined 3-9 with a 9.06 ERA for Oakland and Detroit

last season. Dr. Drew Dossett performed the surgery on Van Poppel in

Notebook Top-ranked Kansas seeks revenge on Missouri

or two about college basketball, was asked last November, "Who's going to beat Kansas?"

coach had said. "Well, they're probably not going to go through the entire season without losing a Lincoln, Neb. game. But they might."

Of course, they didn't. top-ranked Jayhawks stand 25-1 overall and 11-1 in the Big 12. And who should be coming to Allen Fieldhouse for a rematch tonight State edged Texas A&M 62-60. but Missouri, the team that's responsible for the "1."

their first meeting because right bly playing about as well as it could possibly play.

Eddie Sutton, who knows a thing clobbering of Colorado. Then he added with a wry smile, "It was fun out there tonight."

In the Big 12's only Sunday "Nobody," the Oklahoma State game, Tyronn Lue scored 22 points, 19 in the second half, as Nebraska beat Texas 79-67 in

In other Saturday games, Baylor beat No. 21 Texas Tech 77-76 in After dealing No. 15 Colorado a overtime; No. 9 Iowa State used a 114-74 defeat Saturday night, the 12-0 run late to rally for a 62-58 victory over Kansas State; Missouri overcame an early deficit to beat Oklahoma 80-73, and Oklahoma

the star of the game was not Missouri may wish it had gone LaFrentz, who now has topped 20 ahead and lost to the Jayhawks in points in seven straight games since center Scot Pollard was sidenow Roy Williams' team is proba- lined by a stress fracture in his foot. "Jacque Vaughn was the star of

that game," Williams said. Even though Vaughn scored "I think we can play better," the only two points, he had a season-

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — LaFrentz scored 23 points in the Chauncey Billups to 10 points nent in five years. while forcing him to make eight

For his part, Billups thought the officials were unduly friendly toward the Jayhawks in Allen Fieldhouse.

"A lot of Kansas players get away with some things they shouldn't have," he said.'

At Baylor, Doug Brandt hit a 3pointer to tie it with four seconds left in regulation, then made four vital free throws in overtime Saturday as Baylor beat the Red

"This was a big win and it does-At Lawrence, Williams figured n't get much bigger than that 3point shot Doug hit," Baylor coach Harry Miller said. "He's a senior and been through a lot of adversity. It was only appropriate he hit that shot and make the free throws in overtime."

"I knew I would be open and I knew I'd hit the shot," Brandt said. Kansas State was bidding for its Kansas coach said after Raef high 11 assists and held Colorado's first home win over a top-10 oppo- Thames has had 45 points and 23 Station, Texas.

"They wanted it. They were diging for it," said Iowa State's Kenny Pratt, who scored eight points in the final two minutes. Iowa State, which lost twice last year to Kansas State, has beaten the

Wildcats in both meetings this year. "I guess you'd say we're even now, said Dedric Willoughby, whose 3-point bucket cut Kansas line. State's lead to two. A few seconds later, Pratt tied it at 55.

"We didn't make plays down the stretch. That was a lost opportunity," Kansas State coach Tom Asbury said. "We could have won that game. We should have won that game."

Missouri's Kelly Thames had 25 points and tied his career high with 17 rebounds as Missouri, a few days away from a 28-point loss to Iowa State, beat Oklahoma. points and four rebounds against No. 2 Wake Forest on Feb. 9,

rebounds the last two games.

"Of course, you want to come out the next game and give it your all," Thames said. "That's all I've been doing.

Thames, a 6-7 junior, also had 17 rebounds last season against George Washington.

Thames made six of 10 shots and was 13-for-15 from the free-throw

"We put him on the line too many times," Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson said. "When you're a good free-throw shooter, you're going to get a lot of points."

Nate Erdmann had 26 points and was five for 13 from 3-point range and Corey Brewer had 21 for Oklahoma (14-8, 6-6), which beat No. 15 Colorado 91-66 at home on Wednesday.

Oklahoma State, which had lost its first nine road games, After going 1-for-14 with two used Adrian Peterson's 3-pointer with 1:06 left to wipe out Texas A&M's late comeback in College

Harvesters host PD in baseball opener

Duro in the season baseball first base) and Ryan Davis, Harvester Field.

able mention all-district player returning starters. from a year ago, is scheduled to

"I'll probably use two or three pitchers and limit them to around 40 or 50 pitches," said PHS head coach Dennis Doughty. "We're just trying to work them into shape."

right field; Jerren Miller, center said Doughty. field; Jamisen Hancock, second Duane King, left field; August District 1-4A.

PAMPA — With seven return- Larson, shortstop; Seth Haynes, ing starters, Pampa will send an third base; Sean Harris, desigexperienced lineup against Palo nated hitter (for Jarred Prock, opener at 4 p.m. Tuesday at catcher. Knutson, Hancock, Schumacher, King, Larson, Ryan Schumacher, an honor- Haynes and Davis are all

Varsity reserves are Keith start on the mound for the Jacoby, Francis Juan, Josh Harvesters. Blackmon, Aaron Whitney and Blaine Northcutt.

The Dons' head coach is Richard Earle in his second year. Former Harvester pitcher Troy Owens is one of the junior varsity coaches.

"They didn't have that good a Pampa's probable batting season last year and I'm sure order will be Jeremy Knutson, they're expecting to do better,"

The Harvesters were 17-10 a base; Ryan Schumacher, pitcher; year ago and placed third

Hingus wins Paris Open

closing in on Steffi Graf's No. 1 round of the Olympics - two lossranking, won her fourth consecu- es each to Iana Novotna and Graf. tive tournament Sunday when she

remain unbeaten for the year.

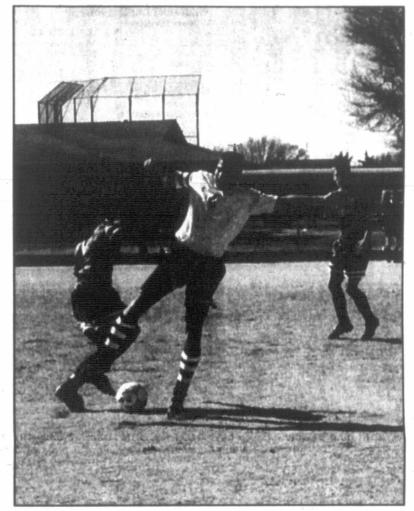
not counting a walkover in the year. Tokyo final when Graf defaulted with a knee injury and three sin- year I would retire from dougles victories in the Hopman Cup. bles," she said. "But I'm still She is 42-4 since losing to Ai playing."

PARIS (AP) — Martina Hingis, Sugiyama of Japan in the second

Hingis kept right on winning defeated Anke Huber 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 Sunday, capturing the doubles title in the Paris Women's Open to with Novotna, 6-3, 6-0 victory over Alexandra Fusai of France and The 16-year-old Swiss star has Rita Grande of Italy. Hingis has won all 18 of her matches in 1997, won 13 of 14 doubles matches this

"I said at the beginning of the

Soccer battle



Pampa's Lucas Jaramillo (4) battles a Canyon player for control of the ball during the District 5 soccer match Saturday. The Harvesters defeated Canyon, 4-1, to boost their district mark to 3-1. Pampa hosts Randall in a boys-girls district doubleheader Tuesday afternoon, starting at 4:15 Tuesday at the Harvester Complex. Pampa lost to Canyon, 1-0, in the girls match Saturday.

Jones gets Cowboys under cap

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Jerry Jones has creatively wrangled his way under the salary cap again.

This time, the maverick owner of the Dallas Cowboys lopped nearly \$5 million off his team's bloated payroll by buying back deferred money from several players at a present-day value, The Dallas Morning News reported Sunday.

Quarterback Troy Aikman, receiver Michael Irvin and defensive linemen Tony Tolbert and Charles Haley were among the players who sold deferred money back to the team, the newspaper reported. Jones would not confirm which players had their deals redone.

The exchange sunk Dallas from \$3.7 million over the salary cap to \$1.09 million under within three days prior to Friday's deadline.

When deferred money is guaranteed, it is treated as a signing bonus, meaning it counts against the salary cap for the length of the deal.

When a team buys back deferred money, it lowers the players' impact against the cap because it reduces the signing bonus, thus lowering the cap fig-

"We've been dealing with the concept of deferred money since we got into the NFL," Jones said. "As it pertains to the salary cap, we do know how to buy back deferred money."

Gordon leads sweep of Hendrick cars at Daytona

By DICK BRINSTER **AP Sports Writer**

 While Jeff Gordon and his Ricky Craven. teammates took their victory

wanted to forget. After one of the most bizarre Speedway Sunday, Gordon was fewer than 12 laps to go. talking by cell phone to his troubled boss Rick Hendrick.

court not far from what once turn two. passed for a Chevrolet. Now it

was outnumbered.

Hendrick, who was back in were involved. Charlotte, N.C., hoping to beat government. "This one's for you."

Earnhardt, the seven-time get another agonizing defeat.

"Gordon came up on me and the car pushed off the corner," somebody hit me from behind. mate Craven. Next thing I know, we're on the roof again."

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) Gordon, Terry Labonte and lead.

race to 0-for-19.

Earnhardt, his 70 career victorunnings of what they call The ries notwithstanding, has lost I get, so I had to take it." Great American Race at the this race in a number of ways. International This time, it was a crash with Elliott on the high side between smile tomorrow," Hendrick

appeared Earnhardt got too backstretch. There was Earnhardt, holding high on the bank running off

The incident occurred as

"I had momentum and I got a good run on him off turn two. What good was it going to do Winston Cup champion who for me to ride behind him and has won everything of value in help him to win?" Gordon said stock car racing except its when asked why he didn't wait biggest race, was trying to for- to make the move closer to the Daytona 500," Gordon said. finish.

Gordon found himself second done it without those guys. said Earnhardt, who was seri- to two-time Daytona 500 ously injured in a similar crash champ Elliott and followed by on the race track there at the last July at Talladega. "I got defending Winston Cup cham- end. into the wall, checked up, pion Labonte and new team-

again on the 194th of 200 laps, bad. I'll bet he was a little wor-Bill Elliott wanted to forget Gordon immediately tried to ried seeing those Hendrick cars get past Elliott in the second back there. "With three Hendrick cars turn, but was blocked. As the behind you, you ain't got a two crossed the finish line at indictment for irregularities

chance," he said. "I was dead the end of that lap, Gordon involving several of his auto stretch grandstand were struck went almost to the infield grass dealerships, That he was, courtesy of to drive his Chevy into the Daytona 500 for the first time in ing a fracture to his right arm

"I would have gone down to on television from Charlotte, Neither was hospitalized. The 25-year-old Gordon the people cooking down there where he is being treated for I knew it might be the only one and crew chief Ray Evernham.

"The plan was not for me to for our organization. go to the inside and them to go His car slammed into the to the outside, I'll tell you took the lead, a collision in turn get all the laps you can. We're was nothing more than a pile of wall, igniting a melee in which that," Gordon explained. "I four between Bobby Hamilton running for a championship." Gordon, defending and two- went down there and looked in and Johnny Benson Jr., started a time Daytona winner Dale my mirror and they weren't 10-car crash that kept Elliott Craven third. And there was Elliott, who Jarrett and his Robert Yates there. Then I realized we were from mounting any kind of Racing teammate, former three wide, but I had the attack. "We love you," Gordon told champion Ernie Irvan, also momentum to get past and I just kept going.

leukemia and the United States Gordon was passing Earnhardt. block and that opened a lane was a sitting duck there at the Waltrip.

Gordon, the 1995 series top of the car in celebration after reaching the Victory Lane.

"This is the big one, the "What a way to do it, 1-2-3 After Earnhardt's crash, Hendrick, and I couldn't have That was teamwork out there

Bill, but I'll tell you what, we When the green flag waved were working him over pretty

Hendrick, under federal

missed

lap at the Daytona 500, Dale became the youngest Daytona in the infield if that's what it the recently diagnosed disease. tered car without help and Earnhardt was surveying the 500 winner, while Earnhardt, at took to get past Elliott," During the winner's inter-stepped into an ambulance. But damage and Bill Elliott simply 45, extended his record in the Gordon said. "That was our view, Hendrick called the press moments later, he got out of the chance to win the Daytona 500. box to congratulate Gordon safety vehicle and jumped into

> His teammates roared by told me, I'm going to make you Richard Childress team taped turns one and two. Then they said. This is the best medicine sent him back out to finish the Running second to Elliott, it protected Gordon down the the Good Lord could give me race. right now. This is a great day

> > Just one lap after Gordon Earnhardt said. "You've got to

"Whenever Jeff and Terry and Ricky hooked up, I was histo-"Bill didn't know who to ry," Elliott said. "I knew it. I former race winner Darrell

nothing about it."

leaders all day and appeared in the race for 29 laps as Gordon good position to make a run for averaged 148.295 mph. He won the one major victory that has \$377,410 for his 20th career viceluded him, until the incident tory. on lap 189.

"I didn't think I could get by struck by Jarrett's Ford and negative.

While airborne, it took off the hood of Irvan's car. Then it late-race melee, was also taken flipped back onto its wheels to the hospital where he under-

Two spectators in the back-tive and he was released.

the by the hood, with one sustain-13 years. He watched the race and the other a bruised knee.

Earnhardt got out of the bat-During the winner's inter- stepped into an ambulance. But his car. It started and he drove Yesterday, Jeff called me and it slowly to the pits, where the some of the pieces down and

"I just wanted to get back in the race, try to make laps, Labonte was second and

Elliott was followed by twotime winner Sterling Marlin, Jeremy Mayfield, Mark Martin, Ward Burton, Ricky Rudd and

There were 12 lead changes "He (Gordon) just got a good among nine drivers and numer champion, pounded his fists on run on me and I couldn't do ous position changes through out the rest of the 42-car field

Earnhardt was among the - Eight caution flags slowed

Robert Pressley came away After he hit the wall, from a wild early-race crash Earnhardt's black No. 3 with a sore lower back, but Xbounced off Gordon's car, was rays at a local hospital were

Johnny Benson Jr., part of the and skidded to the infield went an exam for a possible pelvic injury. X-rays were nega-

Pampa Recreation Department eketbell League Standings Men's Open Division

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Computer Sales & Tech.	3	0
Da Şquad	2	0
Reliv	2	1
Cabot Corp.	1	1
Hoechst-Celanese	1	1
Country Chevrolet	1	1
Pampa Machine	1	1
Trinity Fellowship	1	2
City of Pampa	0	2
Onyx	0	3
Women's Open		
Team	Won	Lost
Suntrol Wilndow Tint	1	0
Hoechst-Celanese	1	0
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Rick's Body Shop Bourland & Leverich Subway (Standings as of Feb. 14) League Scoring Leaders

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> COLLEGE BASKETBALL The Top Twenty Five

Hoechst-Celand

By The Associated Press The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses. records through Feb. 16, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's

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	ranking:			
,	-	Record	Pts	- 1
	 Connecticut(37) 	24-0	1,019	
	OldDominion(3)	23-1	982	
	3. Stanford(1)	25-1	950	
	 NorthCarolina 	22-1	881	
	Georgia	20-4	858	
	6. Alabama	21-4	807	
	 LouisianaTech 	22-3	773	
	8. Tennessee	20-7	753	
	9. Texas	17-4	623	
	10. Florida	18-6	612	1
	11. Virginia	19-5	603	
	12. Kansas	19-4	556	1
	13. LSU	21-3	526	1
	TexasTech	16-6	449	1
	15. Vanderbilt	16-7	436	1
	NotreDame		355	
ì	17. Illinois	19-5	328	1
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ť	19. MichiganSt.	19-5	239	- 2
	20. Arkansas	17-7 16-8	210	- 2
	Clemson	16-8	189	2
	22. Duke	17-7	171	1
	23. George Washin		147	2
	24. Tulane	21-3	128	2
	W.Kentucky	17-7	97	

Others receiving votes: Nebraska 59, Portland 49, Purdue 34, Memphis 32, Arizona Colorado 21, Southern Cal 19, Auburn 17. Michigan 11, N. Carolina St. 9, Louisville Utah 7, Wisconsin 7, DePaul 6, Oregon 6 Colorado St. 5, San Diego St. 4, Hawaii 2, Toledo 2, Arkansas St. 1, Holy Cross 1, Santa Barbara 1, St. Joseph's 1

GOLF

Hawaiian Open Scores
HONOLULU (AP) — Scores and earnings Sunday after the final round of the \$1.2 million Hawaiian Open, played on the 7,012yard, par-72 Waialae Country Club course (xwon on fourth playoff hole) x-P. Stankowski,\$216,00071-66-64-70-271 Jim Furvk \$105,600 70-67-66-68- 271

Mike Reid,\$105,600 62-72-66-71— 271

Texas Tech interim athletic

expected to be offered the job

School officials scheduled an

early afternoon news confer-

ence to discuss the athletic

said it would be "safe to say"

from consideration.

director's job.

permanently today after the same

Spokesman Richard Kilwein year.

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — consideration.

director Gerald Myers was Sunday evening

Scoreboard

D. Hammond,\$52,800 70-68-66-69 — 273 Jay DonBlake,\$52,80068-70-65-70 — 273 Tom Lehman,\$43,200 65-69-69-71 — 274 Paul Goydos,\$38,700 70-66-71-68 — 275 Lee Porter,\$38,700 70-66-67-72— 275 Paul Goydos,\$38,700 70-66-71-68 — 275
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Paul Azinger,\$31,200 67-70-69-71— 277
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HOCKEY

NHL Glance By The Associated Press All Times EST **EASTERN CONFERENCE**

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Philadelphia	32	16	8	72	182	139			
Florida	28	17	13	69	163	133			
	29	17	9	67	150	131			
N.Y. Rangers	28	24	7	63	198	164			
Washington	23	28	6	52	150	160			
N.Y. Islanders	19	28	10	48	155	167			
Tampa Bay	20	29	6	46	150	174			
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Detroit 4, Florida 2

Philadelphia at Pittsburgh (n) Montreal at N.Y. Islanders, 1 p.m. New Jersey at N.Y. Rangers, 1:30 p.m. Dallas at Los Angeles, 4 p.m. Detroit at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m. Edmonton at Ánaheim, 8 p.m. Chicago at St. Louis, 8:30 p.m. Tuesday's Games Florida at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m. Calgary at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m. Ottawa at Washington, 7:30 p.m. Boston at Colorado, 9 p.m. Toronto at Vancouver, 10 p.m. Dallas at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

Weekend's Sports Transactions By The Associated Press

BASEBALL American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Signed RHP Mike
Williams to a minor-league contract.

Myers declined comment

stars Byron Hanspard and

Casey Jones did not pass a sin-

already has been under scrutiny

from the NCAA for more than a

In a news release issued by

The Tech football program

gle course last season.

Schemmel pulled out the

day the Houston

LOS ANGELES DODGERS-Agreed to terms with INF Chad Fonville on a one-year

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Agreed to terms with RHP Mike Grace, INF Scott Rolen and OF Wendell Magee Jr. on one-year con-

PITTSBURGH PIRATES-Signed 1B Ricky Jordan to a minor-league contract. BASKETBALL

NBA—Suspended Seattle SuperSonics F Shawn Kemp one game and fined him \$3,000 and Houston Rockets F Charles Barkley one game and fined him \$2,500 for their actions

during Friday's nights game at Seattle.
ATLANTA HAWKS—Activated C-F Alan lenderson. Placed F Tyrone Corbin on the FOOTBALL

National Football League
OAKLAND RAIDERS—Signed QB Jeff George to a five-year contract. HOCKEY ational Hockey League
WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Recalled D

PRO BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

Brendan Witt from Portland of the AHL.

At A Glance By The Associated Press EASTERN CONFERENCE

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.365 18 1/2

Saturday's Games New Jersey 107, Washington 86 Miami 125, Philadelphia 99 Atlanta 109, San Antonio 89 Milwaukee 92, Denver 87 Utah 99, Dallas 84 Portland 109, Houston 105

Sunday's Games New York 89, Indiana 80 Detroit 92, Toronto 89 eattle 102, L.A. Lakers 91 Minnesota 107, Phoenix 96 Chicago 110, Orlando 89 Denver 112, Philadelphia 97 Sacramento 105, Golden State 85 Portland 118, Boston 106 Monday's Games Milwaukee at Washington, 1 p.m. New Jersey at Cleveland, 5 p.m. Toronto at Índiana, 6 p.m. Orlando at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m. ianta at Holiston, 8:30 p.m Boston at Seattle, 10 p.m. Dallas at Vancouver, 10 p.m. Tuesday's Games Phoenix at New York, 7:30 p.m. Miami at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m. San Antonio at Utah, 8 p.m. Denver at Chicago, 8:30 p.m. Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

uproot his two teen-age sons. Just as important has been

the incredible support shown

for me here at the University of

Minnesota," Schemmel said. "I

was honored to have been con-

Myers has been in the interim

AD since Bob Bockrath left last

June to run the athletic depart-

all-Southwest Conference bas-

ketball player in 1958, then he

became head coach midway

Myers was the school's first

sidered by Texas Tech."

ment at Alabama.

Texas Anglers hooked on Rat-L-Traps

DALLAS - For Texas bass fishermen, it's time to shake, "Rat-L" and roll. The mild weather that ended January could speed the arrival of

Trapping season.
Since the 1970s, the best-selling hard plastic bass lure has been a slender, shad-shaped vibrating plug called a Rat-L-Trap. Bill Barlow, who owns the biggest tackle store in the Dallas area, says he sells more than 800 dozen Rat-L-Traps a year. Peak sales occur in early spring. There's a second surge in the fall when bass are actively chasing threadfin shad.

Rat-L-Traps look like threadfin shad and swim with the same tight wiggle. When Louisiana lure maker Bill Lewis designed the Rat-L-Trap in 1969, he set out to improve on a 1946 vintage high-frequency vibrating lure called the Bayou Boogie.

Lewis improved the Bayou Boogie's basic design by altering the shape and creating a hollow sound chamber in the plastic lure's body. He added BBs to the hollow space. When the lure vibrates through the water, the BBs clatter against themselves and the plastic lure.

The resulting sound, said Ken Chaumont, a spokesman for Bill Lewis Lures, mimics a school of

"If you listen to a school of shad through an underwater microphone, what you hear is a sort of clicking," Chaumont said. "The lure makes the same kind of noise, and a fish on an ambush point will come to investigate." While the Rat-L-Trap has a

deserved reputation as a classic cast-and-reel lure for novice anglers, it's also a favorite with pro fishermen. Take, for instance, Bassmasters Invitational at Sam Rayburn last

March. The winner, Bud Pruitt of Houston, relied heavily on Rat-L-Traps to catch 10 bass totaling more than 53 pounds and earn \$35,000. In the same tournament, Bo Turner of Memphis, Tenn., caught a 10-pounder on a Rat-L-Trap. Texan Rick Clunn relied on a Rat-L-Trap to catch four lastday fish that propelled him into second place. Another Texan, Gary Klein of Weatherford, reported a five-bass limit in fewer than 20 casts on a Rat-L-

joint replacement.

Tech expected to name Myers as permanent AD

Myers, a 1969 inductee into the school's athletic hall of honor, has been an associate AD since leaving the basketball team in 1991.

years, winning two SWC regu-

lar-season titles and three post-

season tournaments.

Schemmel and Myers were named finalists on Jan. 23. A 14member search committee also had recommended Tech faculty athletic representative Robert Sweazy and Ohio State senior associate athletic director Paul He went 326-261 over 20 1/2 Krebs

League champs



The Pampa Nikes won the Amarillo Challengers League this year in the 12 and under boys division. The team had a perfect 9-0 record. Team members are (front row, I-r) Chase Phillips, Drew Jennings, Dusty Lenderman, Derrick Lewis and Judd Milller; (standing,I-r) Louie Campos, John Doss, Blake Helms, Jarrod Carruth, Zach Windhorst and Eddie Palma. Also pictured are coaches Robert Doss and Bill Miller. The Nikes are sponsored by The Donut Stop.

Second-ranked Deacons fall in OT

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (AP) victory Sunday. North Carolina State stunned No. 2 Wake Forest when Clint Harrison was given credit for a

N.C. State (10-12, 2-11) pulled off the stunner of the Atlantic 3-pointer at the buzzer in over- Coast Conference season, wintime - even though his foot ning for the first time in nine was inside the arc — for a 60-59 league road games.



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the withdrawl Sunday of "there are many reasons for the Minnesota associate athletic decision," but that the deciding through the 1970-71 season. director Jeff Schemmel from factor was not wanting to

that Myers will get the job after Minnesota, Schemmel said

only other finalist withdrew Chronicle reported that football

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Scientists: Evidence points to asteroid as dinosaur

WASHINGTON (AP) - Ocean core and came from a healthy "happy-go-fossils. These were the survivors in the ocean." Atlantic. That is where he found it. samples contain "proof positive" of a lucky oceam" just before the impact. massive asteroid colliding with the Earth 65 million years ago and triggering a global extinction that probably killed off bottom material instantly melted by the the dinosaurs, scientists report.

Richard D. Norris, leader of the international ocean drilling expedition, said Norris said is thought to be from the Sunday that three drill samples have the unmistakable signature of an asteroid itself." impact, including a brownish clay that he called the "fireball layer" because it so intense, said Norris, that the stony seems to contain bits of the asteroid asteroid would have instantly been

"We've got the smoking gun," said neat layers of sed ment bracketing the impact have never been found in the sea before. It is proof positive of the impact."

Florida collecting cores from the ocean inches of gray clay with strong evidence floor in about 8,500 feet of water. They of a nearly dead world. drilled up to 300 feet beneath the sea bed, collecting sediments laid down at the ocean, but most of the species that time of the dinosaur extinction.

Just above this is a layer with small

green glass pebbles, thought to be ocean massive energy release of the impact. Next was a rusty brown layer which

"vaporized remains of the asteroid

The heat of the impact would have been reduced to vapor and thrown high into the sky, some of it perhaps even reaching Norris in a telephone interview. "These outer space. It then snowed down, like a fine powder, all over the globe.

Norris said brown deposits, like that in the core sample, have been found else-A team of international scientists, work- where and they have a high content of ing on the drill ship Joides Resolution, iridium, a chemical signature of asteroids. spent five weeks off the east coast of Just above the brown layer, are two

are seen before (early in the core

This dead zone lasted about 5,000 years, said the scientist, and then the core samples showed evidence of renewed life. "It is amazing how quickly the new species appeared," Norris said.

Robert W. Corell, assistant director for Geosciences of the National Science Foundation, called the core samples the in tonight's NBC-TV show is peanuts strongest evidence yet that an asteroid impact caused the dinosaurs' extinction.

"In my view, this is the most significant Corell. discovery in geosciences in 20 years," he said. "This gives us the facts of what happen to life back then. I would certainly call it the smoking gun."

Although the impact with the asteroid occurred in the southern Gulf of Mexico, Norris went to the Atlantic Ocean, near the edge of the continental shelf in his a huge impact crater north of Chicxulub, search to document it. He surmised that on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. Later the violence of the impact, followed by huge waves, roiled the Gulf of Mexico so much that the area was unlikely to have as far as what is now Arkansas. "It was not a completely dead clear sediment layers dating to the dinosaur era.

Norris said the deepest layers con- sample) are gone," said Norris. impact would have washed completely hour. It instantly gouged a crater 50 to 180 tain fossil remains of many animals "There are just some very minute across Florida, depositing debris in the miles wide.

The ship bearing the core samples returned to port on Friday and the NSF announced the findings Sunday, just hours before NBC was airing a movie about a fictional asteroid hitting the Earth and causing widespread destruction.

"The impact of the asteroid featured compared to the real thing faced by the world 65 million years ago," said

Geologist Walter Alvarez of the University of California, Berkeley, first proposed in 1980 that the dinosaurs disappeared from fossil history suddenly because of a massive asteroid hit. At first, the theory had few supporters.

But in 1989, scientists found evidence of studies found evidence of debris washed out of the Gulf by waves that went inland

It is now widely believed that an asteroid of six to twelve miles in diameter Norris theorized that waves from the smashed to Earth at thousands of miles an

Oil man kidnapped in South America

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) -Kidnappers seized a U.S. oil engineer and his pilot as they arrived at a fishing camp in Venezuela, and police suspect they were taken to Colombia and held for ransom.

The kidnapping occurred at a camp near the Orinoco River, about 40 miles from the Colombian border, authorities said Sunday.

Officials said suspected rebels apparently showed up at the camp early Friday and captured the pair when their light plane landed. The two were forced back on to the craft and it was flown to Colombia.

U.S. and Venezuelan officials identified the American as Jerel Duane Shaffer, general manager of the El Tigre, Venezuela, office of Houstonbased Production Operators Inc., and the Venezuelan pilot as Elias Barnard.

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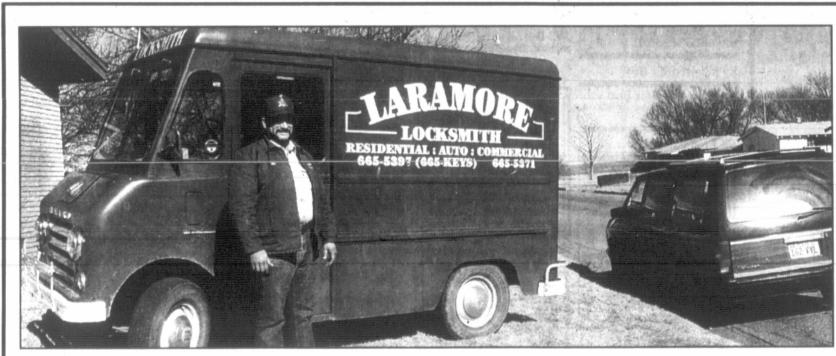
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