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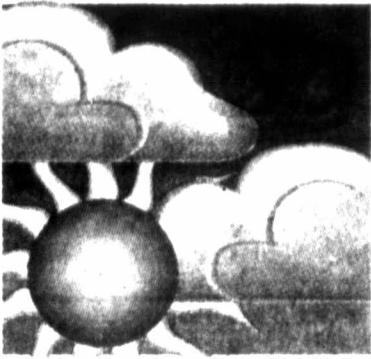
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PAMPA — Pampa ISD teachers Sue Cree, Jenna Miller, Suzie Jameson, Jennifer Clay, Linda Adams and Anita Grice were among the 700 teachers from across the state who heard Gov. George W. Bush deliver the keynote address to the Texas Classroom Teachers Association's 1997 annual convention.

Bush has promised to make tax reform a focal point of the current legislative session. He advocates reducing reliance on property taxes to fund public schools.

The elected delegates of the Pampa Classroom Teachers Association helped to develop TCTA's legislative program for the 1997 session and elect 1997-98 statewide officers.

Delegates attended seminars on such topics as tax reform, the new recommended teacher appraisal system and the latest in brain research.

TCTA is a non-profit, non-union professional association serving more than 36,000 classroom teachers and related professionals in Texas. It is the only Texas education association that limits active membership to classroom teachers and other non-administrative professional staff.

NEW BRAUNFELS (AP) — She cried and pleaded, but Debbie Flugrath failed to convince county commissioners she should be allowed to keep her pet wolves.

"They're part of my family," she told Comal County commissioners on Thursday. "I'd like to train them. It's not right to kill God's creatures."

Ms. Flugrath, who is hearing-impaired, spoke in sign language as she begged the commissioners to side with her and against neighbors who had complained to the county.

Officials have given her a week to get rid of the wolves, or they'll be picked up and destroyed.

GALVESTON (AP) — County commissioners considered a ban on vehicles along a one-mile stretch of beach known as "The Zoo," but decided against it.

That proved a popular course of action Thursday among most of about 100 citizens who attended a meeting of the Galveston County Commissioners Court.

Applause broke out when commissioners decided instead to enforce for the second straight year a zero tolerance on drunkenness, rowdiness and other misconduct on the beach.

Law enforcement officers who patrol the stretch of Bolivar Peninsula beach, also known as "The Zoo," persuaded commissioners that barring cars isn't necessary — at least not yet.

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Memo: Donors could travel on Air Force One

WASHINGTON (AP) — A document found among the files of a former top deputy to President Clinton suggests Democratic fund-raisers wanted to reserve seats on Air Force One for donors and arrange White House restaurant privileges. The memo said the purpose was "to reach our very aggressive goal of \$40 million."

The document, whose author is not immediately known, was turned over to House investigators Thursday night by former White House deputy chief of staff Harold Ickes. It expands the number of presidential perks fund-raisers apparently sought to use to attract fresh money from Democratic donors.

It also directly links fund-raising efforts to the naming of donors to government positions. "Better coordination on appointments to Boards and Commissions," the author of the document wrote as item five on a 10-point list of perks for donors.

Attorney Robert S. Bennett, who represents Ickes, said his client had the document in his files because he was apparently copied to receive it. But Ickes does not know specifically who authored it, Bennett said.

Earlier this week, another set of documents turned over by Ickes revealed that President Clinton personally approved using White House coffees and overnight stays for donors at the start of his re-election bid.

The new document, one of hundreds of pages turned over

Thursday by Ickes, lists 10 proposed perks, many involving federal property, and directly links the use of these perks to raising a specific amount of money.

"In order to reach our very aggressive goal of \$40 million this year, it would be helpful if we could coordinate the following activities," said the memo to Martha Phipps, identified by the Democratic National Committee as a former employee.

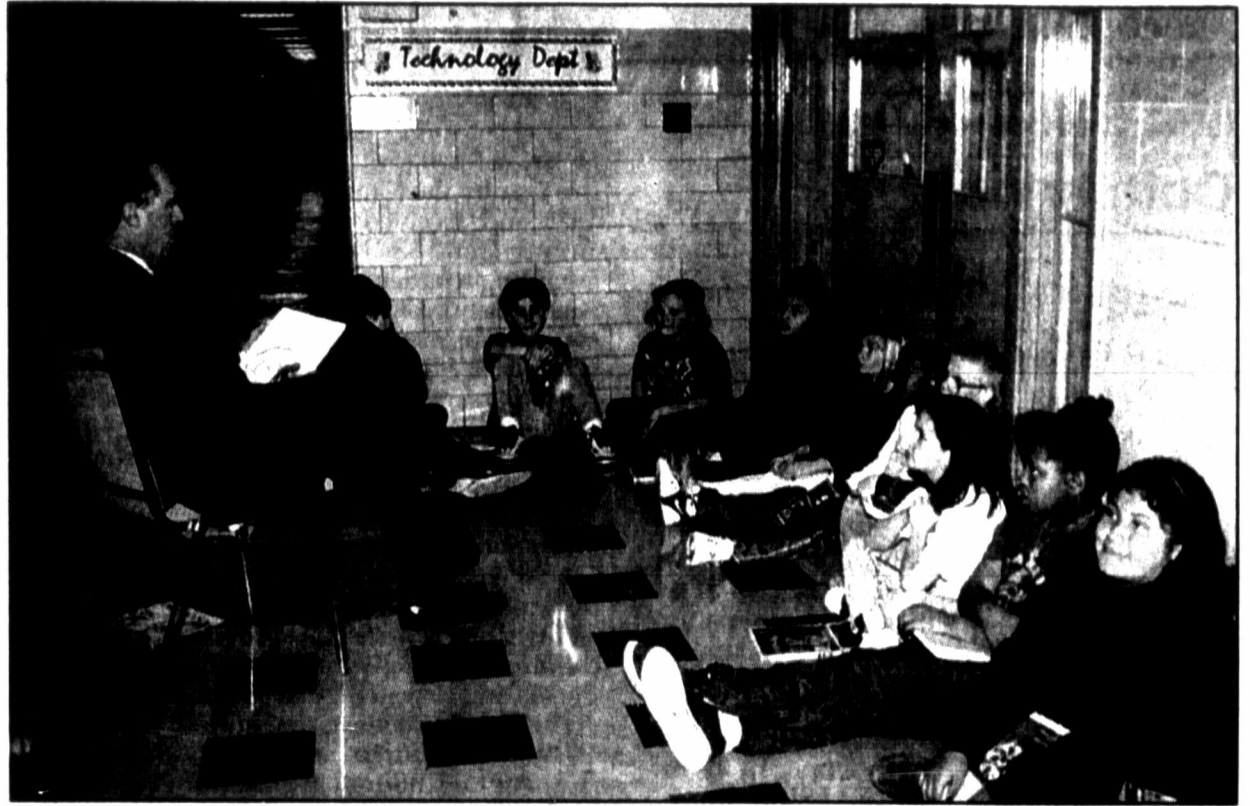
The list of perks included: "two seats on Air Force I and II trips; six seats at all private dinners; six to eight spots at all White House events; official delegation trips abroad; White House mess privileges; White House residence visits and overnight visits."

The memo added, "Any money above and beyond the \$40 million goal would require two additional Presidential events outside Washington D.C."

White House officials have acknowledged that they used events there to encourage and reward donors, but that no solicitation of money ever occurred at the executive mansion. It is illegal to solicit donations on federal property.

Bennett said the two waves of Ickes' documents produced to investigators so far "simply reflect long-established practices of both political parties because of the tremendous demands placed upon them to finance campaigns."

Reading Day



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Lamar Elementary School had a special day for reading and invited members of the community to read to different classes. Raymond Thornton, facilities coordinator for the school district, took time out of his busy schedule Thursday to read to Mrs. Ditmore's third grade class.

Genesis House agreement resolves funding issue questions with TCADA

A negotiated agreement apparently has resolved differences over "questioned costs" between the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and a Pampa substance abuse treatment program for adolescents.

In a letter sent to the Pampa facility Tuesday, TCADA Executive Director Terry Faye Bleier notified Genesis House that an \$81,842 payment by the Pampa facility earlier this month represents full and final resolution of all outstanding issues.

"I want to state clearly that this payment constitutes settlement of minor accounting issues related to contract language ambiguities and that neither the payment nor anything reviewed during our audit suggests that Genesis House participated in any improprieties or wrong doing in the performance of contract responsibilities," Bleier says in the letter.

"We were audited every year, and there was never any question about accounting procedures until ICADA started having problems," Sharon Braddock, Genesis House administrator, said Thursday.

Genesis House was among

numerous facilities in Texas that found themselves involved in a 1995 investigation into allegations that public funds earmarked for the prevention and treatment of alcohol and drug abuse may have been misused.

At one point during the investigation, more than \$2.1 million in questioned costs were identified at Genesis House by a special task force headed by the Texas Rangers.

At that time, Genesis House officials said there was no impropriety on the use of the funds and that the matter would eventually be cleared.

David Gantz, president of the Genesis House board, was out of town and unavailable for comment.

However, Gantz told the *Amarillo Daily News* in a story published Tuesday that he feels some earlier news reports had falsely indicated Genesis House had been under criminal investigation.

"We are squeaky clean. ... We were never under criminal investigation," he told the newspaper.

TCADA official Leo Paterra, deputy of program compliance,

reported that the total disallowed costs for Genesis House is \$337,225, including the \$81,842 cash payment. The rest of the disallowed costs were paid back in services to clients during a 10-month period in 1996, the official reported.

Gantz disputed Paterra's statement, questioning how Genesis House could have made a repayment in the form of services during a period when it did not have a contract with TCADA. A new contract between Genesis House and TCADA was not worked out until November 1996, Gantz noted.

Gantz said the \$81,842 payment equates to the amount of money that news reports have alluded to as "double billings."

Genesis House received payments of \$25 per day per client from some counties and also received an insurance claim payment of almost \$10,000, Gantz said. These payments were in addition to the payments by TCADA, he told the *Amarillo newspaper*.

Braddock said that this issue never stopped Genesis House from operating and that it should not be a problem in the future operations.

'Cheerleader mom' freed after six months

HOUSTON (AP) — Wanda Holloway, jailed for trying to hire a hit man to kill the mother of her daughter's cheerleader rival, was freed this morning.

Ms. Holloway had served six months of a 10-year sentence after pleading no contest to solicitation of capital murder. She will be on probation for the next 9 1/2 years.

Ms. Holloway — the so-called "cheerleader mom" whose saga drew international publicity and led to two television movies — initially was sentenced to 15 years in prison in 1991. That conviction was overturned when it was discovered a juror was on probation.

Holloway did not answer questions while leaving the courtroom this morning.

During the hearing, State

District Judge George Godwin denied prosecutors' request to send Holloway to a mental hospital. He instead ordered her to undergo a psychiatric evaluation. Godwin said he would re-evaluate the terms of her probation after the test.

"Until we know a doctor has said she is over this obsession, no, we do not feel comfortable," said Verna Heath, the target of the alleged plot.

However, Mrs. Heath added, "I don't intend on spending the rest of my life scared."

Godwin also ordered Holloway to perform 1,000 hours of community service. He recommended she spend it in a homeless shelter.

During her half-year at the state prison in Gatesville she was assigned to the hoe detail, clear-

ing weeds from sides of highways.

Defense attorney Jack Zimmermann said Ms. Holloway already has lined up a job as a secretary at a small business in Kingwood, which is across Houston from Channelview, where the events unfolded.

Zimmermann said his client does not plan to cash in on her notoriety, adding no book or movie deals are in the works.

"She's not going to do any interviews for compensation," Zimmermann said.

Jurors in the 1991 trial heard secretly recorded tapes of Holloway asking her brother-in-law to hire a hit man to kill the mother of a girl who was vying against her daughter for a spot on the cheerleading squad.

Texas 4th and 8th graders improve math scores

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas fourth- and eighth-graders scored higher on a national mathematics test last year than Texans who took the exam in 1992.

Results of the National Assessment of Educational Progress show Texas students also are performing at least as well as — and in some cases better than — students nationally, Education Commissioner Mike

Moses said Thursday. "Our boys and girls are acquiring the knowledge they're going to need to be successful adults," he said.

The 2,413 Texas fourth-graders who took the 1996 test scored an average 11 points higher than those who took it in 1992, according to a federal report on states' performance.

The percent scoring at or above

the basic level of math proficiency increased from 56 percent in 1992 to 69 percent in 1996.

Just five states had higher average scores on the fourth-grade math test: Maine, Minnesota, Connecticut, Wisconsin and North Dakota.

The 2,245 Texas eighth-graders taking the test scored an average of 12 points higher than those who took the test in 1990.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

HARALSON, Dottie Bell Haralson — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Wellington.
JACOBS, J.B. — 2 p.m., Grace Southern Baptist Church, Guyton, Okla.
MAGGARD, Grace — 2 p.m., Boise City Church of Christ, Boise City, Okla.
MORRIS, Jo L. — 1 p.m., Cashner Funeral Home Colonial Chapel, Conroe.
MONTGOMERY, Dr. S.J. — 2 p.m., United Methodist Church, Miami.
NEECE, John Allen — 2 p.m., Church of Christ, Shamrock.
PHIPPS, Robert W. — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Shamrock Cemetery, Shamrock.
RUPP, Mildred Joyce — 2:30 p.m., Morrison Funeral Home Chapel, Graham.
SCHULER, Elizabeth Emily — 1 p.m., Calvary Methodist Church, Milford, Del.

Obituaries

DR. S.J. MONTGOMERY
MIAMI — Dr. S.J. Montgomery, 91, of Miami, died Thursday, Feb. 27, 1997, at Pampa. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in United Methodist Church of Miami with the Rev. Daniel Moore, pastor, and the Rev. Jerry Moore, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Gruver, officiating. Entombment will be in Memory Gardens Mausoleum in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Dr. Montgomery was born Oct. 20, 1905, at Cedarvale, Kan. He was a graduate of the University of Osteopathic Medicine, Surgery and Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa. He married Lucile L. Spease on June 25, 1930, at Howard, Kan.; she died Dec. 19, 1993. He had been a Miami resident since 1934 and practiced family medicine in the area for 51 years, retiring in 1985.
 He was Roberts County health officer for 50 years and served as chairman of the March of Dimes for 20 years. He was chosen as Citizen of the Year by the Miami Chamber of Commerce in 1973 and received the Good Guy of the Year Award from KVII Pro News in Amarillo for attending a patient during a blizzard in 1971. He was a past president of the Miami School Board. He was a member of the United Methodist Church of Miami. He was a Master Mason for over 70 years and was a member of the El Paso Scottish Rite Consistory.
 His creed as a physician was: Cure sometimes, comfort always.
 Survivors include two daughters, Myrna Cheek of Fredericksburg and Saranne Judkins of Bay City; a son, Richard J. Montgomery of Garland; two grandchildren, Daryl Montgomery of Plano and Christy Ballard of Aubrey; four great-grandchildren; two step-grandsons, Roger and Steven Cheek; and two step-great-granddaughters.

Obituaries

HAZEL DAVIS
 Hazel Davis, 93, of Pampa, died Thursday, Feb. 27, 1997. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mrs. Davis was born Sept. 6, 1903, at Forney, Texas. She had been a Panhandle area resident since 1906, graduating from White Deer High School. She married Lester L. Davis on June 1, 1921, at Pampa; he died June 16, 1983. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Pampa.
 Survivors include two daughters, Phyllis Davis Albers of Bastrop and Barbara Jean Abernathy of Pampa; a sister, Mary Grace Nix of Houston; three granddaughters; a grandson; and six great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065.
DOTTIE BELL HARALSON
WELLINGTON — Dottie Bell Haralson, 77, a former Wheeler resident, died Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Johnny Tims and Tommy Haralson officiating. Burial will be in North Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home.
 Mrs. Haralson was born at Era. She married Elmer Haralson in 1940 at Lillie. The couple resided in Wheeler, Seagraves and Plainview respectively from 1940 to 1950, returning to Collingsworth County in 1950. She was a homemaker and a member of Lillie Home Demonstration Club and First Baptist Church. She was also active in RSVF.
 Survivors include her husband, Elmer; four sons, Marcus Haralson of Kaufman, Julius Haralson of Chickasha, Okla., Tommy Haralson of Lubbock and Jerry Haralson of Wellington; a sister, Sallie Smith of Pampa; eight grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to United Methodist Church in Miami, Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas or Hospice of the Panhandle in Pampa.
JOHN ALLEN NEECE
SHAMROCK — John Allen Neece, 89, of Shamrock, died Thursday, Feb. 27, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Church of Christ with Chris Swinford, minister from Portales, N.M., and Cottie Tarbet of Shamrock officiating. Burial will be in Mobeetie Cemetery at Mobeetie under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.
 Mr. Neece was born at Chillicothe. He married Rosamond McCollum on Aug. 21, 1935, at Sterling City. He moved to Shamrock in 1954 and taught at Shamrock ISD for 20 years. He was a principal at Mobeetie ISD for 10 years before retiring. He was a member of the Church of Christ.
 Survivors include his wife, Rosamond, of Shamrock; a daughter, Annette Perkins of Grand Prairie; a son, Allen Neece of Abilene; and four grandchildren, Kimberly Neece and Landon Neece, both of Abilene, and Sarah Perkins and Erin Perkins, both of Grand Prairie.
MILDRED JOYCE RUPP
GRAHAM — Mildred Joyce Rupp, 76, of Graham, died Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1997, at Graham General Hospital. Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Morrison Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be in Pioneer Cemetery under the direction of Morrison Funeral Home of Graham.
 Mrs. Rupp was born Aug. 3, 1920, at Brinkman, Okla., to D. McDonald and Alma (Cook) Russell. She married Elmer Junior Rupp on July 5, 1946, at Pampa. She worked as a sales clerk for a ladies ready-to-wear store prior to retiring.
 She was preceded in death by two brothers, Jack Wesley and Donald Mac Russell.
 Survivors include her husband, Elmer, of Graham; a daughter, Donna Joyce (Dixon) Wooderson of Graham; two sisters, Marjorie Louise Smith of Duncan, Okla., and June Aileen Hubbard of Hereford; two grandchildren, Kevin Wooderson and Kelly (Wooderson) Burkett; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity, Bunch Roberts Funeral Home, Box 1112, Guyton, Okla. 73842.
GRACE MAGGARD
BOISE CITY — Grace Maggard, 88, of Boise City, Okla., died Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Boise City Church of Christ with the Rev. Daniel Moore officiating. Burial will be in Boise City Cemetery under the direction of Cashner Funeral Home.
 Mrs. Maggard was born in Texhoma at an early age to the late Mr. and Mrs. where she was born. She married Grace Maggard in 1930 at Devon, Okla. She was a member of Boise City Presbyterian Church.
 Survivors include her daughter, Beulah Hill of Boise City; a son, Robert Maggard, and Mrs. Robert Maggard of Pampa; and two granddaughters, Ruth and Albert Maggard of Boise City and Grand Rapids, Okla.
 The family requests memorials be to Garrison Nursing Home, 1000 S. Main, Pampa.
JOE MORRIS
CONROE — Joe Morris, 87, of Conroe, died Thursday, Feb. 27, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Cashner Funeral Home Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Daniel Moore officiating. Burial will be in the same cemetery.
 Mrs. Morris was born Nov. 14, 1910, in Wilbar County, Texas. She was a homemaker. She had been a member of Central Baptist Church in Pampa before moving to Willis in 1995. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Willis. She enjoyed anything to do with homemaking or family.
 Survivors include her husband of 61 years, C. W. Morris of Willis, three daughters and a son-in-law, Barbara Boyle of Sugarland and Martha and James Harvey and Jo Harvey, all of Willis; a sister, Bonnie White of El Campo; six grandchildren and their spouses, Marty Boyle, Monty Boyle, Mark and Gena Harvey, Kevin and Erica Harvey, Shawn and Heather Carter and Stacey Carter, and nine great-grandchildren.

Police report
 The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
THURSDAY, Feb. 27
 A report of hindering a secured creditor was made in the 800 block of West Francis.
 Disorderly conduct by fighting was reported at the Pampa Middle School, 2401 N. Charles.
 Theft and criminal mischief were reported in the 2000 block of Hamilton. Approximately \$100 worth of school books were taken and \$300 damage was done to the front door and wall.
 Theft of \$3 worth of unleaded gasoline was reported at 1900 N. Hobart.
 An assault by contact was reported in the 1300 Block of Alcock. Only minor injuries were reported.
Arrests
 Brian Larue Marlow, 28, 200 N. Wells, was arrested on a charge of simple assault. He was released on bond.
 Monica Lynn Harue, 26, 200 N. Wells, was arrested on a charge of simple assault. She was released on bond.
 Charles Wayne Jones, 23, 1100 E. Kingsmill, was arrested on a capias pro fine warrant. He paid his fine and was released.

Stocks
 The following grain quotations are quoted by Arthur C. G. of Pampa:

Wheat	4.16	NC
Wheat	4.41	NC
Wheat	5.18	NC

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

Magellan	18.20	NC
Proton	18.20	NC

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

Amsoil	84 1/4	dn 1/8
Amoco	125 3/4	dn 1/8
Cable	23 3/4	dn 1/8
Cash OTC	15 3/4	dn 1/8
Chevron	65 1/2	dn 5/8
Coca Cola	42	dn 5/8
Columbia/HCA	42	dn 1/8
Enron	39 7/8	dn 1/8
Halliburton	63 7/8	dn 1/8
Ingersoll Rand	47 3/8	dn 3/8
KNE	39 1/8	up 1/2
Kerr-McGee	62 7/8	up 1/8
Limited	18 1/2	dn 3/8
Mags	31 7/8	dn 1/8
McDonald's	43 3/8	dn 1/8
Mobil	123 1/2	dn 5/8
New Atmos	24 3/8	up 1/8
Parker & Parsley	29 7/8	up 1/8
Penney's	49 1/4	up 3/8
Phillips	41	dn 1/8
SLB	99 5/8	dn 1/8
SPS	35 3/4	dn 3/8
Tenneco	39	dn 1/8
Texas	99 7/8	dn 3/8
Ultrama	30 1/2	NC
Wal Mart	26 3/4	NC
New York Gold	354	(50.00)
Silver	5.24	NC
West Texas Crude	21.00	NC

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL
 Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.
PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB
 Pampa Bridge Club meets at 2 p.m. Sunday in Room 11 at Clarendon College. For a partner, contact Marie Jamison at 669-2945.
THEE PLACE
 Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.
CLEAN AIR AL-ATEEN
 Clean Air Al-Ateen will hold weekly meetings on Mondays at 7 p.m. at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, contact 669-0407 or 669-3988.
MOBILE MEALS
 The Southside Senior Citizens Mobile Meals menu for Saturday, March 1, will be spaghetti and meat sauce, green beans, hot apple sauce and garlic bread.
PANHANDLE AREA LUPUS SUPPORT GROUP
 The Panhandle Area Lupus Support Group will meet Monday, March 3, at 7 p.m. in the Community Room, FirstBank Southwest, 201 S. Main, in Perryton. All interested persons are invited to attend. If you need information or assistance, call (806) 435-7030 or (806) 435-6056.

KIDS TALK MS
 The Kids Talk MS program will be held Saturday, March 1, at Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis, beginning at 10 a.m. For more information, call 665-2218. The program is sponsored by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.
WHITE DEER LAND-MUSEUM NEW DEAL VIDEO
 A video on the New Deal on the Texas Plains produced by Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum staff and a portion of the film *Working Texas*, featuring local ranchers and farmers, will be shown by the Gray County Historical Commission at White Deer Land Museum at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 2. The public is invited to attend.
HOOPS FOR HEARTS
 The Pampa Middle School's Teen Leadership classes are sponsoring a 3 on 3 and free throw basketball tournament on Saturday, March 1, beginning at 8 a.m. Winners will be awarded trophies and gift certificates from Hastings. Admission is one dollar and all proceeds will go to the American Heart Association.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
THURSDAY, Feb. 27
 A 1996 Ford Thunderbird driven by Holly Renee Hoganson, 27, 2630 Navajo, and a 1991 Chevy Cavalier driven by Mary Jan West, 43, 621 Deane, collided in the intersection of Duncan and Harvester. Hoganson was cited for failure to yield right of way at a red light.
 A 1993 GMC Yukon driven by Connie Thacker Parks, 46, 1523 N. Wells, and a 1993 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Pamela Brazil Walton, 39, 1921 N.

Zimmers, collided in the 200 block of North Russell. Parks was cited for unsafe backing.
 A 1992 Plymouth Laser driven by Kendra Lashell Shipley, 17, 612 Plains, and a 1991 International tractor-trailer driven by Kenneth Lynn Chamberlin, 46, Abilene, Kan., collided in the 1100 block of North Hobart. According to police reports, the tractor trailer was south bound on Hobart, attempting a right turn into a private parking lot. Shipley pulled up on the right side of the truck and was hit by the turning truck. The driver of the car and a passenger were taken to Columbia Medical Center. Shipley was cited for failure to pass on the right safely.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
THURSDAY, Feb. 27
 8:10 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2500 block of Mary Ellen on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.
 10:23 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Highway 60, approximately six miles west of Pampa, on a motor vehicle accident. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.
 2:01 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a medical assist. One patient was

transported to Columbia Medical Center.
 4:50 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 400 block of North Dwight on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.
 9:03 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1300 block of North Starkweather on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.
 10:09 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of North Russell on a trauma. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
THURSDAY, Feb. 27
 10:25 a.m. — Three units and six personnel responded to a motor vehicle accident on Highway 60. Units were turned back before they arrived.
 2:04 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 1321 W. Kentucky on a medical assist.

2:46 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to a motor vehicle accident at Harvester and Duncan.
 5:45 p.m. — Three units and six personnel responded to 1341 Duncan on a gas leak.
 9:04 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 1328 N. Starkweather on a medical assist.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
THURSDAY, Feb. 27
Arrests
 Sandra Denise Britton, 36, 1229 Darby, was

arrested on a charge of violation of probation. She remains in custody.
 Valerie Ann Hooker, 33, Fairfield, Texas, was arrested on a charge of violation of probation. She remains in custody.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers, possibly light snow by morning hours. Low near 30 with northerly winds 10-20 mph. Saturday, clearing in the morning, becoming mostly sunny by afternoon with a high in the low 50s. Saturday night, mostly clear with a low in the mid 20s. Thursday's high was 50; the overnight low was 33.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, generally cloudy with a chance of rain or snow showers. Lows from around 20 to around 30. Saturday, becoming mostly sunny with highs in mid 40s to low 50s. Saturday night, mostly clear with lows from near 20 to near 30. South Plains: Tonight, decreasing clouds. Lows in the 30s. Saturday, sunny and cooler. Highs 50-55. Saturday night, fair. Lows from upper 20s to mid 30s.
 North Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms central. A chance of thunderstorms east, some possibly severe. Lows 44 northwest to 59 southeast. Saturday, partly cloudy west. A slight chance of thunderstorms early central, then decreasing cloudiness. Mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms east. Highs 61 northwest to 76 southeast.

City briefs

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KNIGHTS OF Columbus Polish Sausage Dinner, Sunday, March 2, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Adults \$6, children \$3, under 6 free. Adv.
REBECCA ANN'S 1521 N. Hobart. Clearance walk, 1/2 of 1/2 off. Last call. Adv.
14x80 LAKE House at Sandspur Lake. Owner will carry part of note. 665-6214. Adv.
NEED AUTO Glass Replacement or Repair? Call Suntrul 3M Auto Tint and Auto Glass. Insurance claims, VISA, Mastercard accepted. 703 W. Brown, 665-0615. Adv.
TRAVEL EXPRESS has a great price on the May 10th Sailing of the Norway. 665-0093. Adv.
ALICIA PARRY and Chuck Ingram of Ingram Plumbing would like to invite friends and customers to be present as they exchange vows at Briarwood Church, March 8th, 2 p.m. Adv.
LAWN CARE. Call Family Lawn Care, 665-3257. Adv.
CONDITION YOUR soil now for spring planting. Just arrived: Back to Earth, peat moss and potting soil. Decorative pots and urns. Watson's Feed & Garden, Hwy. 60 East. Adv.
INCOME TAX Preparation - Wm. L. Arthur, 1103 E. Harvester, 669-3928. Adv.

BLAKE LARAMORE is now associated with Memory Gardens Cemetery. We are presenting a Special Offer - Free spaces and 20% off of memorials. Call me for your pre-need arrangements. 665-8921 or 665-1550. Adv.
GREAT SELECTION of Over-the-Hill birthday gifts, cards & balloon bouquets. We have the perfect gift for all of your OLD friends and relatives at Celebrations, 665-3100, 1617 N. Hobart. Adv.
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TRALEE RESALE Shop 308 S. Cuyler, Open Saturday, March 1st 9 to 4, Sunday, March 2nd, 1 to 4. Clothing \$2.00 bag sale. Adv.
PLEASE DONATE to the Meals on Wheels Garage Sale. Mondays 2-5 p.m. South end of Pampa Mall. 669-1007. Adv.
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Buying cigarettes today? Adults in mid-20's, better have identification ready

WASHINGTON (AP) — If you are in your mid-20s and want to buy cigarettes today, be prepared: Sales clerks are supposed to demand some ID.

Food and Drug Administration regulations that went into effect today required retailers to card all customers younger than 27 to thwart mature-looking youths under the legal smoking age of 18. Failure to comply could cost store owners \$250.

Retailers predicted longer lines as they checked IDs for customers who buy tobacco 26 million times a day in convenience stores alone. Two tobacco-friendly states — Virginia and North Carolina — at first said they would not enforce the new rules, and then said they would.

Besides federal inspectors, stores also had this to worry about: Tobacco foes were sending teenagers undercover to catch lawbreaking clerks.

"It's really time to start taking seriously as a nation the sale of tobacco products to young people," said FDA Commissioner David Kessler, who was retiring from his post after ushering in the new rules today at a White House ceremony.

President Clinton scheduled the event to focus public attention on the regulations. The Democratic National Committee planned to use the announcement to try to turn some of the media heat about campaign fund-raising on the Republicans.

The DNC was preparing an analysis detailing the nearly \$6 million GOP campaign committees accepted from tobacco interests for the 1996 campaign. The Democrats, however, also accepted \$1 million from tobacco companies.

Even though states already prohibit tobacco sales to anyone under 18, minors purchase 1.6 billion in tobacco annually.

Seventy-five percent of teenage smokers say they have never been carded.

Indiana officials, for example, discovered last summer that 41 percent of stores in the state were selling to minors.

The FDA is contracting with states to send undercover teens to catch lawbreakers. But the agency still has not picked the ten states that will share the first \$4 million in enforcement funds — meaning federal stings will not happen for at least a month.

So tobacco foes are amassing thousands of volunteers to report suspected lawbreakers to an FDA hot line.

"It's going to take an army of citizens," said John Banzhaf of Action on Smoking and Health, which was sending teens to test the new law in Washington and northern Virginia stores today.

But FDA's own inspectors could target states that do not perform their own enforcement.

Virginia and North Carolina both oppose the FDA's crackdown on youth smoking, which later this year will entail advertising and other restrictions, and they joined a tobacco industry lawsuit seeking to block it.

Virginia's prosecutor's office initially said it would ignore the new law and North Carolina's Attorney General Mike Easley said he had no authority to enforce it pending the judge's ruling. But Virginia Gov. George Allen quickly repudiated his employees and Easley on Thursday acknowledged, "It is the law."

The question is how quickly the FDA can begin federal stings nationwide. It has asked Congress for \$34 million to hire inspectors in the remaining 40 states this fall, but lawmakers reacted skeptically at a budget hearing Thursday.

Critics warn of risks due to waste permit

DALLAS (AP) — Emissions from hazardous waste that some parents and residents blame for health problems would be increased under a proposed state permit for North Texas cement kilns.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has prepared a draft permit that would allow Texas Industries Inc., the state's largest cement manufacturer, to burn the waste as fuel.

But area residents and environmentalists who compared the threat posed by TXI's Midlothian plant to that of a Dallas Superfund site scheduled a news conference today near the abandoned plant.

The RSR Corp. Superfund site is a 13.6-square-mile area, south of the Trinity River, where a smelter recycled used batteries

and other lead-bearing materials into pure lead and other lead products. Operations ceased in 1984 after soil was contaminated.

"Ninety times as much pollution as RSR had would be spread out over the Dallas-Tarrant counties' area," said Becky Bornhorst of DeSoto, publicity chairman for the Amber Terrace Intermediate PTA.

"There will be obvious health effects to that," she said. "The amount of pollutants is unbelievable."

But state regulators and TXI contend the plant in Midlothian, 23 miles southwest of Dallas, is not to blame for health problems to residents and livestock. The TXI Dallas office was closed early today and officials could not be reached for comment.

Toastmasters officers



Taking their place as this year's officers of the Pampa Smooth Talkers and Knee Knockers Toastmasters Club are vice presidents Alfonse Walker, Daniel Silva and Sherry Raines Gary Casebier, president; and vice president Gail Davis. Member Robert Ellison III is congratulated for receiving his CTM (Competent Toastmaster) certification.

Officials to look into accusations of cheating, improper handling of statewide TAAS tests

AUSTIN (AP) — Cheating or improper handling in the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills is alleged at several school districts, with educators expected to review the complaints.

"Overall, we have very, very few problems, but every test administration there are accusations about some kind of testing irregularity," Texas Education Agency spokeswoman Debbie Graves Ratcliffe said Thursday.

The TEA will review school officials' investigation of the allegations and determine if further investigation is needed, she said. "We take test security very, very seriously."

Few school districts typically are involved in complaints about the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, given to 1.8 million students annually, Mrs. Ratcliffe said.

This week, the TAAS was administered to students in grades four and eight and in high school. Students must pass the high school exit-level test to get a diploma. The TAAS also is used to gauge school district performance.

Cheating allegations were reported to TEA concerning

Silsbee Independent School District, 81 miles northeast of Houston, and Grapevine-Colleyville ISD, northeast of Fort Worth. Twenty students' reading scores were invalidated at Mesquite ISD, near Dallas, because of teachers' mix-up.

Alleged cheating at Silsbee apparently is related to school districts being given flexibility by TEA concerning the days they administer the TAAS. That was done because of students' involvement in basketball playoffs and the Houston Livestock Show, events whose timing districts don't control.

Under the regular schedule, the writing portion of the TAAS was to be given Tuesday, the math portion Wednesday and the reading portion Thursday.

Under the flexible schedule, school districts had to keep the writing test on Tuesday but could give the others any time between Monday and Saturday.

Schools weren't allowed to change the time of the writing test because it contains only one question and there is no backup exit-level writing test if problems are discovered, Mrs. Ratcliffe said.

She said Silsbee students who took the exit-level math test on Monday allegedly looked ahead in their test book to see the writing assignment.

The word was then allegedly spread to at least one student in a neighboring school district, and ultimately reported to TEA, she said.

Silsbee school officials alerted by TEA investigated immediately and have already submitted a report to the agency, said Superintendent James Lang.

If cheating is found to have occurred, scores could be invalidated and students would have to take the test again. The exit-level test next will be administered in May.

"Certainly we're concerned about it," Lang said. "We're talking about all of our sophomores taking the writing portion of the test."

At Grapevine-Colleyville ISD, four staff members were placed on administrative leave with pay after allegations that some learned of the specific writing assignment on the TAAS test administered at a middle school.

State briefs

Jury deliberating fate of polygamist cult leader

HOUSTON (AP) — Prosecutors portray Aaron LeBaron as a powerful cult leader who sent out "murderous missionaries" to kill three defectors and an eight-year-old witness to usher in the kingdom of God.

"How easy it must be to sit back in Mexico and murder by remote control," prosecutor Mike Shelby said in closing arguments Thursday in LeBaron's racketeering and conspiracy trial.

Jurors deliberated for about 1 1/2 hours Thursday in the case and were to resume work this morning. If convicted, LeBaron could get up to 50 years in prison.

But defense attorneys, who put on no witnesses, said the government never proved its case and that the key prosecution witness was a liar. They said LeBaron unfairly was targeted as a mastermind in the slayings but that other members of the cult were to blame.

LeBaron, 28, is charged with racketeering and conspiracy in the 1988 slayings of Ed Marston, brothers Mark and Duane Chynoweth and Duane Chynoweth's eight-year-old daughter Jenny. The victims were shot to death minutes apart at two sites in Houston and suburban Dallas.

Petition fails to rid High Plains of eradication program

LUBBOCK (AP) — A petition effort to force a recall vote of the High Plains boll weevil program has failed, leaving an impending appellate court ruling as the opponents' final opportunity to get it spiked.

A verification committee headed by Taylor County Judge Lee Hamilton approved 8,330 of the 9,526 anti-foundation petitions submitted by farmers in the High Plains region, which includes the Panhandle and South Plains.

The petition count, which was short 302 signatures, was announced Thursday.

The Legislature established the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation as a farmer-funded effort to fight the spread of cotton-destroying weevils. Farmers in each region of the state voted to get the program started.

But opponents who want to force a recall criticize the way the foundation collects payments from the farmers and complain that the malathion spraying also kills beneficial insects.

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This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessings. Only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

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Texas Editorials

Pecos Enterprise on term limits:

Could we have an instant replay of speeches by political candidates during the last two elections? We shouldn't have to listen to them but the candidates themselves should be forced to do so.

For at least the last two elections, the cry of the nation's electorate has been for term limits. And the candidates have chimed in with their agreements.

But when it comes time to get down to the nitty gritty, those opinions seem to change. Of course, this is after the election. When it comes time for another election, those same candidates will be on the stump once again, blaming others for the defeat of the constitutional amendment for term limits.

We have long contended that terms of all elected officials from the local level up to and through Congress should be limited. We understand there is disagreement on just what those limits would be, but may we suggest that members of the U.S. House be limited to two, 4-year terms and Senators serve only two, 6-year terms.

One Congressman maintains that the ballot box is the way to carry out term limits. While that might sound good on paper and is the way it should be, we all know that doesn't work. Look at some of the people who have been in Congress forever, to the detriment of the nation, including Pork Barrel Champions Robert Byrd, West Virginia senator, and South Carolina's Jesse Helms. The list could go on and on but those two have been there forever and that's too long.

We need once again to let our elected officials know that we want them to be citizen legislators — as the Constitution intended — and not professional politicians.

Austin American-Statesman on halting Republic of Texas tactics:

Gov. George W. Bush has given fast-track status to legislation to deal with the filing of false liens and other fraudulent court documents. That's welcome attention to what has become a real problem, driven largely by the acts of the so-called Republic of Texas, which falsely claims to be the legitimate government of this state.

Several measures have been filed in the House and Senate to make it easier for those who are subjected to such claims to expunge them and to increase the penalty for those who file false claims.

Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, has produced a measure that would make filing a false document a crime. Repeated acts could raise the offense to the level of a felony.

Rep. Allen Hightower, D-Huntsville, has a measure that provides for training of county clerks in the recognition of phony documents. It also provides for notification of those against whom such claims are filed.

As the legislation is molded into final form, the training, notification and increased-penalty provisions should be retained in order to give the new law a full set of teeth to put a serious bite on those who play the phony lien game.

The Dallas Morning News on Texas speed limits:

Not so fast there. Those who argued back in 1995 that raising Texas highway speed limits would not result in more fatal car accidents may want to reconsider their position. Statistics released by the state Wednesday indicate that last year saw a 17 percent spike in highway deaths over 1995.

Yet the tragic new statistics do not automatically argue for lowering speed limits across the board. Having raised highway speed limits only 18 months ago, the Legislature should not reverse itself so quickly.

The just-released statistics are only a preliminary report, even though the numbers must be taken seriously. The increase is the biggest annual jump since Texas began keeping statistics in 1976. The announcement of an additional 543 deaths over 1995 immediately led Transportation Commission Chairman David Laney to express concern and promise hearings around Texas.

Ultimately, speed limits may have to be lowered here, there or everywhere. But at this point, the bigger part of the problem appears to be on rural, two-lane blacktop highways, where most fatalities apparently occur. Texas insurance companies sound convincing in arguing that speed limits should be lowered on such roads.

Raising the speed limits in 1995 may well have led to more deaths, but that may be true on some highways and not others. Taking time to further examine this problem could help transportation officials balance the public's desire for speed and beauty.

Champion of colorblind causes

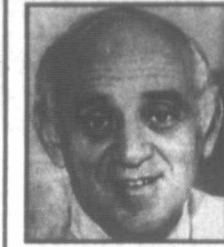
In California during the election season last year, Ward Connerly led the California Civil Rights Initiative (Proposition 209) to victory. The attacks on Connerly were ferocious and personal.

Watching Connerly elicit war whoops from a mostly conservative audience in Washington, it is apparent why the attacks on him during the election were so nasty. Connerly is a black man who is a serious threat to establishment civil-rights activists. He fights back. He reminds us that there is more than one high-minded side to the race question in America.

He is a strong speaker with conservative Reaganite views on more issues than affirmative action, or if you prefer, preference. He has a biting sense of humor and speaks to a theme supported by a large majority of Americans. By the time he ended his remarks, the testimonial dinner audience organized by the Independent Women's Forum (IWF) buzzed with the question that counts in Washington: "What will he run for?"

Connerly is not happy with the Rev. Jesse Jackson, the leading sound bite on the pro-preference side — for both substantive and personal reasons. Connerly is a member of the California Board of Regents. He recalled that when he was pushing to do away with preference in college admissions, Jackson had come to a board meeting, asked for a prayer to begin the session, and then called Connerly a "house slave" and "a puppet of the white man."

Newt Gingrich was in the audience at the IWF event, along with Rep. Henry Hyde, Sen. Phil Gramm and other GOP political figures. Connerly said that he approved of Gingrich's invitation to the Rev. Jackson to sit with Mrs. Gingrich during the State of the Union address — long pause — if Mrs. Gingrich could endure being with Jackson



Ben Wattenberg

for the duration of a Clinton speech. He thought that if Gingrich had invited Jackson in the spirit of bipartisanship, then President Clinton should invite Connerly to spend the night in the Lincoln bedroom — pause — and waive the \$100,000 fee.

He took note of the firestorm caused by the remark of Rep. J.C. Watts Jr., a fellow black conservative, who had characterized some putatively unnamed black leaders as "race-hustling poverty pimps." He observed that Watts prays with Jackson, and offered some advice: "J.C., when you pray with Jesse, don't close your eyes."

Political Washington loves this raw meat, particularly after a few drinks. But Connerly spoke substance as well. He recalled his childhood in segregated Louisiana and the signs in roadside restaurants: "We do not serve colored." But Connerly also remembers the people who helped him get ahead as a teenager in Bremerton, Wash., working downtown in a fabric store after school. He blesses the country that let him rise to affluence as a California businessman.

He says there are times to look forward, not backward, to go beyond the poison of racism, slavery and segregation, and to get on with life. He rejects membership in the "Victims club of

America" and says that a better America cannot be built when "our government allocates opportunities on the basis of skin color, genitalia and the spelling of last names."

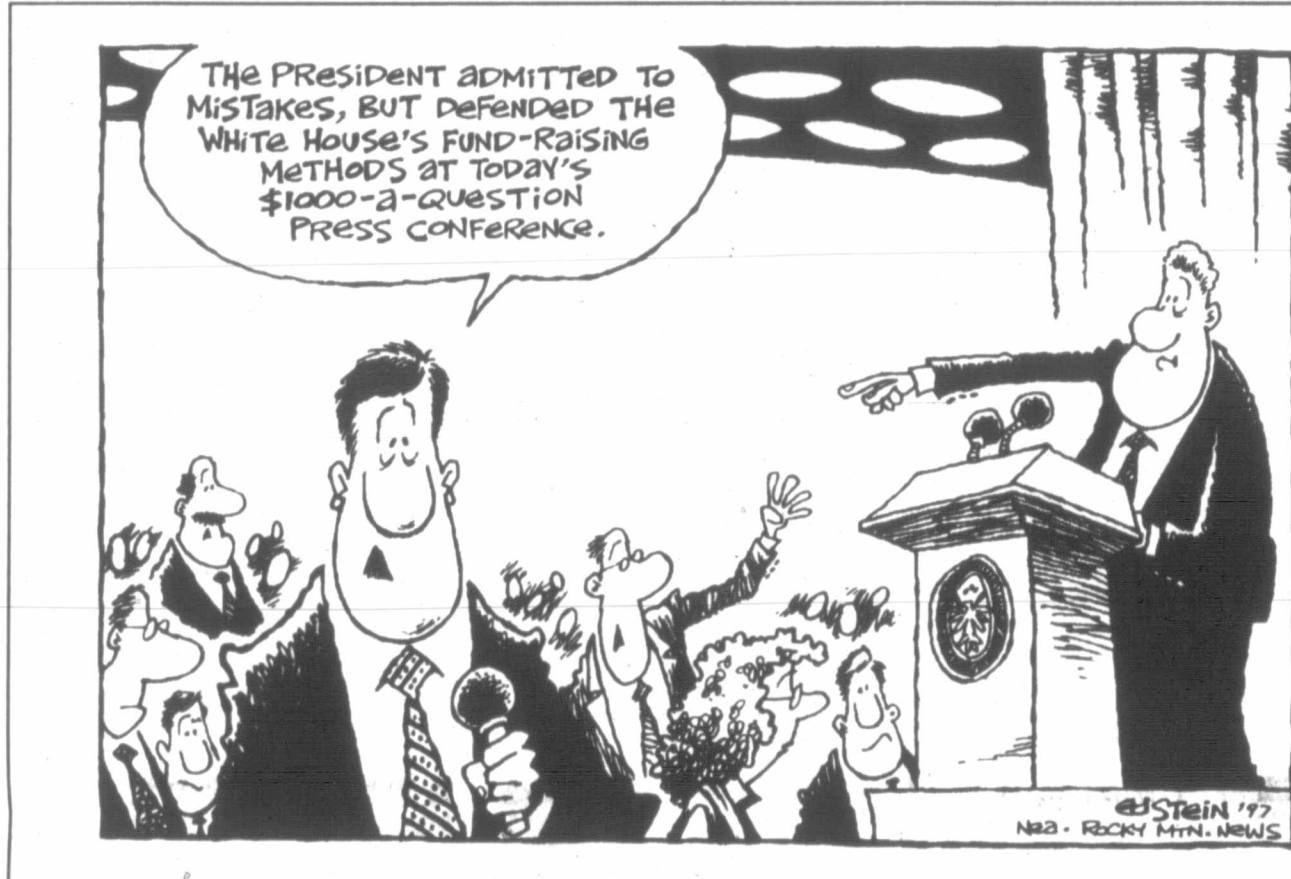
This is the race-neutral side of the civil-rights argument. As, and if, it gains further currency, it can shatter the monopoly of the racial politics, now seen in the Democratic Party.

Although invited, no Democratic members of Congress showed up at the IWF dinner. Not coincidentally, the flexible President Clinton has shown no flexibility on affirmative action (neither ending, nor mending.) Clinton has even taken the bizarre stance that Proposition 209 is unconstitutional, putting the government in the incredible position of saying that antidiscrimination is against the law.

Connerly was scalded by opponents during the epic fight to overturn preferences. He also has sharp comments for some expected allies who jumped ship when the seas got rough, saying, well, 209 wasn't really nuanced enough (this, of language that essentially replicates the words of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.) Connerly says that "our political system has more cowards per capita than at anytime in our history." Maybe. But Connerly is a refutation of his own analysis.

Let it be granted that it is a complicated and exasperating issue. The tough language will probably continue on both sides. Gingrich spoke, enthusiastically endorsing the language of a previous speaker who described the current situation as "affirmative racism." Gingrich pledged to pursue an end to it.

Until now the colorblind point of view did not have a credible high-profile national spokesman. That hurt their cause and the national dialogue. Connerly, uniquely, has the talent, passion, history and guts to become the champion of the second side.



Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Friday, Feb. 28, the 59th day of 1997. There are 306 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Feb. 28, 1854, the Republican Party had its beginnings as some 50 slavery opponents met in Ripon, Wis., to call for creation of a new political group.

On this date:
In 1827, the first U.S. railroad chartered to carry passengers and freight, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, was incorporated.

In 1844, a 12-inch gun aboard the U.S.S. Princeton exploded, killing Secretary of State Abel P. Upshur, Navy Secretary Thomas W. Gilmer and several others.

In 1849, the ship California arrived at San Francisco, carrying the first of the gold-seekers.

In 1951, the Senate crime investigating committee headed by Estes Kefauver, D-Tenn., issued a preliminary report saying at least two major crime syndicates were operating in the United States.

Counterproductive word games

"Without knowing the force of words," warned Confucius, "it is impossible to know men."

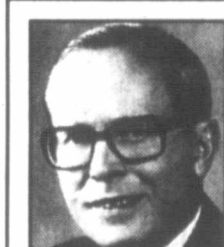
In the Washington wind-tunnel, words can acquire a velocity capable of killing anything they strike. They can also be used to mask wrongdoing (as in President Clinton's passively phrased admission that "mistakes were made" in his campaign's fundraising drive.)

Let's take a look at some recent examples of the use, and misuse, of words in our national politics. By now everybody with a pulse knows about the trick played by the Democrats and their media lapdogs last year, in describing Republican proposals to reduce the rate of increase in Medicare expenditures as "cuts" or even "slashes."

Never mind that Clinton himself proposed to reduce the rate of increase by a figure not much smaller than the Republicans'. The president insisted that the Republican "cuts" were inexcusable, and swore he would never permit them. He firmly vetoed the Republican budget that contained them, and (with the media's invaluable help) managed to saddle the GOP with responsibility for the governmental shutdown that followed.

This year, with public pressure heavy on both parties to agree on a budget that will balance by 2002, the Republicans were looking forward to watching Clinton eat a little crow.

Because such a budget will inevitably require reductions in the rate of Medicare expenditures larger than he was willing to accept last year.



William Rusher

And sure enough, Clinton's proposed budget does, as he boasts, "go halfway" toward the level of reductions advocated by the GOP. Is Clinton, then, at last proposing "cuts" or "slashes" in Medicare?

Well, no. As *New York Times* reporter Alison Mitchell put it in the lead paragraph of a dispatch from Washington on Jan. 21, "One day after his inauguration President Clinton made a conciliatory gesture to congressional Republicans today by announcing that his budget proposal would contain more savings in Medicare than he was willing to consider last year." Even the headline read, "President Offers Medicare Savings."

How do you like that? When Republicans propose them, they're "cuts" or even "slashes." When Clinton does the proposing, they are magically transformed into "savings."

When the Republicans took control of Congress in November 1994, they cheerfully hailed the event as a "revolution." And that, with generous help

from the media, remained a favorite Republican term for their takeover right through 1995 and 1996.

What they failed to remember is that the American people aren't all that fond of "revolutions." The one that started in 1776 was OK, but the French Revolution of 1789 was at best a messy and unsatisfactory business, and the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917 was a thoroughgoing disaster.

It seems likely that the Republican rhetoric about the "revolution of 1994" turned off a lot of voters — particularly women. Besides, it wasn't a revolution anyway. It was, more precisely, a counter-revolution — and even that grates on the American ear. To call it simply "a mid-course correction" may not do it justice, and certainly wouldn't satisfy Republicans with two X chromosomes, but — to mix my metaphors — you catch more flies with honey than you do with vinegar.

But words can also help to illuminate important concepts, and there is no better example of this than the expression "moral poverty." Bill Bennett has been using it recently, with superb effect. It scarcely even needs definition. Better yet, it has available to it, mutatis mutandis, the whole armory of concepts the liberals have constructed around economic poverty: poverty as a root cause, the "poverty level," etc.

Best of all, it puts in a nutshell the central problem of modern American society.

To end on a lighter note, have you noticed how rarely General Shalikashvili is described as the "chair" of the Joint Chiefs of Staff?

Colorado governor busy moonlighting

Colorado Gov. Roy Romer calls his day job easier than his other one as chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Romer showed why as he tried to explain how the Democratic Party is going to deal with past fundraising excesses without crippling future campaigns.

Romer, governor for a decade, is in his second month as President Clinton's chosen party chairman. That makes him defender of a national party with a \$10 million to \$12 million debt, a dossier of challenged contributions and a season of Republican-led investigations at hand.

It is up to him to help the national committee raise \$50 million this year while urging campaign finance reform and seeing to it that tainted donations, perhaps an additional \$1 million plus, are returned. Some \$1.6 million already has been refunded.

That job description is the reason it took Clinton time to line up a new party chairman, and why the White House settled on a part-timer, splitting the task with a day-to-day administrator.

"Why am I doing this?" he muses, when it seems there are five new problems in the fundraising furor almost daily. He says he did so because he is dedicated to changing and repairing a political system so swamped in money as to invite abuses.

So Romer is the national party spokesman, the figure out front, a veteran governor who could have run for the Senate in two years, at 70, and still might. His is the face on the TV talk shows, advocating an overhaul of the fundraising system

**Walter Mears
AP Special Correspondent**

while he blasts a drive for Democratic contributions that he thinks both parties should be legally prevented from accepting.

Clinton is backing reform legislation that would ban the unrestricted donations that now can flow into political parties, the big money avenue involved in illegal foreign donations and in questionable contributions lured by the Democratic White House.

In the fundraising trade, these unrestricted contributions are known as "soft money," as opposed to the limited "hard money" donations that can be made directly to candidates. Romer said he is passionately committed to eliminating soft money.

He and the White House decided on a unilateral ceiling of \$100,000 a year in annual contributions to the Democratic National Committee, a line in the sand, Romer called it, to prove the commitment to reform.

But Democratic Senate, House and gubernatorial campaign organizations are not adopting that rule, and Romer said he won't force the issue on them. The Republicans have no such restrictions.

"I can't send my team on the field without helmets when the other side is wearing helmets," Romer said, "It would kill them." And he said Democratic breaches are penny ante compared

with Republican fundraising behavior. That's his strategy: Denounce the rules but use them. Defend the president but admit the wrongful contributions taken for his purposes. Blame the system and concede that Democrats cut corners but stay in the game.

"The real object of this ought to be, let's change this system," he said in an interview with The Associated Press. "Now until that system changes I've got to function as a party operative ..."

"I've got to go out and I've got to raise soft money. I've got to urge the president to attend all these damn dinners. I'll tell you in advance, there are going to be a bunch ... It's the only way to keep my team on the field until the system changes."

That won't happen soon. For all the talk of reform and despite the looming investigations, there is more likelihood of impasse than of action.

Indeed, there are problems even with Romer's self-reforms for Democrats. They forbid legal donations from people who are not citizens, and from the U.S. subsidiaries of foreign corporations.

Romer said those rules may not be fair to legal, would-be donors. Then he acknowledged that to change them would be to risk accusations the Democrats are equivocating, backtracking.

The topic also came up on television recently. "I don't think we change it, but we may have to find a way to modify it so they can be legitimate participants in the right way," Romer said on ABC.

A fine line, in a maze of fine lines. "My day job," he had said, "is a little bit easier than my night job."

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It's citizens vs. interest groups on airbag issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mary Jo Hammill says her family really needs a new car, but is holding off because she is afraid the air bag in new models could kill her.

The Newport, Mich., home-maker has a reason for her concern. She is 4 feet 11 inches tall and by necessity sits close to the steering wheel when she drives.

Most of the 23 adults who have been killed by air bags were, like Mrs. Hammill, short-statured women.

"I can tell you that there is no way that we will purchase a brand new vehicle with air bags if we are not allowed to disconnect them," she wrote the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recently in support of its proposal to let consumers choose whether to disconnect an air bag.

Hundreds of other frustrated drivers — many of them women five feet tall or shorter — have echoed her plea in letters to the safety agency.

"I am scared to death of driving a vehicle with a driver's side air bag because I can't figure out how to drive it from the back seat," said Carleen Ogg of Montrose, Colo., who is 4 foot 11.

"For the sake of all 'small adults,' please approve ... this proposal as quickly as possible," wrote Evelyn Vandiver, 70, of Charlotte, N.C.

"I am afraid of the air bags," said Phyllis Vranich, 63, of Whitmore Lake, Mich., who is under five feet tall. "There are a lot of people who believe in personal choice, not Big Brother."

The Clinton administration wants to make it easier for consumers to get air bags disabled in the wake of controversy over air bag deployment

ments in lower-speed accidents.

The safety devices, credited with saving an estimated 1,700 lives, also have been blamed for the deaths of 38 children and 23 adults in survivable accidents.

But automakers, dealers, repair shops and consumer organizations all have lined up in opposition to the administration's proposal to allow mechanics to disconnect air bags for any consumer who wants it done.

The safety agency has received more than 500 responses to its proposal.

The auto industry and consumer groups are concerned about reduced safety in cars without working air bags. Auto dealers and repair shops fear being sued for injuries or deaths the air bag might have prevented.

Most automakers support deactivating air bags only if a person has a medical need or other compelling reason not to have an air bag.

The industry is more supportive of the idea of cutoff switches for air bags in vehicles already on the road. That puts the responsibility for turning off the safety device on the occupants and gives them more flexibility.

Four former chiefs of the highway safety agency recently joined together to criticize the Clinton proposal, saying it could erode public support for safety standards.

Agency officials are reviewing all the comments and expect to announce a decision in the next month.

"The bottom line is that all these groups have to be brought together in such a way as to serve the American public," said Ricardo Martinez, NHTSA's chief.

Guard organizations complain of budget cuts

By JOHN KING
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's weekend warriors are complaining that they are being shortchanged by their commander in chief.

In urgent appeals to allies in Congress, Army National Guard leaders assert that President Clinton's budget would "irreparably harm" the Guard by grossly under funding training and maintenance programs. In all, the National Guard Association contends Clinton's 1998 budget proposal falls \$740 million short of what is necessary to ensure minimum readiness levels of the existing Guard force.

"We need that money to sustain the Guard as we all know it today," said Maj. General Richard C. Alexander, the president of the guard association and the adjutant general of the Ohio National Guard.

The Guard's budget fight is but a sliver of the broader battle over defense spending in the post-Cold War era. There is fierce competition within the military services over scarce dollars and a debate among military planners and lawmakers over whether acquisition of new weapons and technology should take precedence over maintaining existing force levels and readiness.

In the past two budget cycles, Guard officials succeeded in getting Congress to add roughly \$200 million to Clinton's annual budget proposals and say they have scrapped to

meet training and other readiness requirements by squeezing money from other accounts.

But now they are worried that their Capitol Hill allies will have a hard time finding \$740 million at a time of fierce competition for defense funding — and the broader effort to reach agreement on a plan to balance the federal budget by 2002.

Bill Skipper, the Guard association's executive director, said the Guard would be "buying into hollowness" if it tried to maintain its current 367,000 soldiers with the funding proposed by Clinton. The alternative would be to shrink the Guard by perhaps as many as 100,000 members, he said, "but we've decided to go to the Congress and ask them to fight like hell for us."

In the Senate, Democrat Wendell Ford of Kentucky and Republican Christopher Bond of Missouri, both former governors, have appealed to Senate Armed Service Committee leaders in recent days on behalf of Guard officials.

"Your support for remedying this disastrous policy is critical if we are to prevent the hollowing of our military force structure," Ford and Bond wrote to committee leaders last week.

They argued that cutting corners with Guard funding was dangerous at a time of smaller active-duty military forces. They also noted that a quadrennial review of military force structure was under way.

"Threatening the future of one of our most

cost-effective national security assets is both untimely and imprudent," Ford and Bond wrote.

Sen. John McCain of Arizona, a leading GOP voice on defense policy, also has questioned the administration budget plan. In recent Senate testimony, new Defense Secretary William Cohen said he was not aware how the administration settled on the Guard figures and promised to look into the matter.

So far, only a few governors have taken an interest in the fight, perhaps because of higher-profile budget battles over Medicare, Medicaid and education spending. But Guard officials have shared their analysis of the Clinton budget with the National Governors Association and are hoping for their organization's help in their lobbying campaign.

"What the president has proposed is very unpalatable," said Michigan Gov. John Engler, an early critic of the administration's Army Guard budget. "We have seen in conflicts around the world where increasingly the call goes out for the National Guard units of this country to respond. And, particularly on the Army Guard side, the president's budget is virtually shutting down Guard training."

Clinton's budget proposal calls for \$4.4 billion for the Air National Guard, up slightly from this year. The Army Guard proposal for fiscal 1998 is \$5.5 billion, essentially unchanged from the current year.

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Probe expands, half-brother's alibi suspect

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — The investigation into the killing of six-year-old beauty queen JonBenet Ramsey has expanded to six other states and authorities said there are still questions about the alibi of her 20-year-old half brother.

"We have more to do on that," District Attorney Alex Hunter said when asked about reports police were in Atlanta trying to verify the family's claim that John Andrew Ramsey was out of state when JonBenet was killed.

Hunter declined to comment on reports that the name of the former University of Colorado student was not on an airline ticket cited by relatives as proof he was out of state.

Hunter said delays in handling evidence samples mean it will take at least six weeks for a forensics laboratory to complete its work. He said he does not plan to take any action in the case until the evidence comes back.

City spokeswoman Leslie Aaholm said investigators have been sent to West Virginia,

Arizona, Georgia, Illinois and Ohio in the past ten days. They earlier went to the Michigan summer home of parents John and Patsy Ramsey.



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EVEN KING SAUL, AFTER HE BECAME JEALOUS OF DAVID, CONTINUALLY REFUSED TO CALL DAVID BY NAME, REFERRING TO HIM BY THE DESIGNATION OF "SON OF JESSE" IN ORDER TO EMPHASIZE DAVID'S HUMBLE ORIGIN, AS IF THAT MADE HIM UNSUITABLE FOR KINGSHIP! SAUL CERTAINLY IGNORED THE FACT THAT HIS OWN FATHER WAS NO MORE, A KING THAN DAVID'S FATHER!



IT IS UNCERTAIN WHEN JESSE DIED, NO MORE IS HEARD OF HIM, AFTER DAVID PLACED BOTH PARENTS UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE KING OF MOAB, (1 SAM. 22:1-4) TILL HE KNEW WHAT GOD HAD IN STORE FOR HIM IN THE FUTURE!

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PAMPA — The Church of the Good Shepherd is moving from 407 W. Foster to a new location, 422 N. West, in Pampa.

The first services at the new location will be held on Sunday, March 2, with the theme "We've Come This Far by Faith."

Sunday School begins at 10 a.m., with Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m. and Evening Service at 6:30 p.m.

PAMPA — The Knights of Columbus will be having their 46th annual Polish Sausage Dinner from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 2, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 500 N. Ward.

The meal will feature Polish sausage, beans, cole slaw, dessert and ice tea.

Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children, with those under 6 eating free. Proceeds benefit the various service activities of the Knights of Columbus, a service organization for Catholic men.

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — American Family Publishers found God in Sumter County. And He may be very, very rich.

A sweepstakes notice arrived at the Bushnell Assembly of God earlier this month announcing God, of Bushnell, Fla., was a finalist for the \$11 million top prize.

"I always thought he lived here but I didn't actually know," said Bill Brack, pastor of the church about 60 miles north of Tampa. "Now I do. He's got a P.O. box here."

"God, we've been searching for you," American Family wrote in the letter, as first reported by the local weekly newspaper, the *Sumter County Times*.

The message was centered between two round seals requesting God to "come forward."

If God were to win, the letter stated, "What an incredible fortune there would be for God! Could you imagine the looks you'd get from your neighbors? But don't just sit there, God."

Sweepstakes officials did not return several telephone calls for comment Thursday.

Brack said a youth pastor collected the mail that day and pointed out the addressee. "I read it in church a couple of weeks ago and everyone got a kick out of it," he said. "It is funny and everybody seemed to enjoy it. It lifted everybody's heart."

Brack said his 140-person congregation is considering whether to mail in the entry. The church could use the money.

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP) — For Georgia McDougal, who has been a Salvation Army volunteer for 75 years, it was the uniform that caught her eye.

"I was enrolled as a soldier when I was 12," says Mrs. McDougal, 87, who last weekend celebrated her anniversary with the church.

Since then she has attained the rank of sergeant major, the highest noncommissioned title a Salvation Army church member can obtain.

She joined the Salvation Army after attending an outdoor service with her parents and four siblings.

"It was the uniform that attracted me," she says. "Here came all these people marching in blue uniforms. I got excited about it."

Mrs. McDougal began teaching Sunday school and distributing the Salvation Army newsletter "War Cry."

After she got married, the Salvation Army continued to be an integral part of her life. Her late husband, Lenard, and two sons also became involved.

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — The Rev. David Tetrault's license plate reads "Big Show," the nickname for the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus.

His e-mail address begins with "big show rev." He's got the circus bug — bad.

Tetrault, an Episcopal priest from Williamsburg, is a circus chaplain who loves his work. He was appointed three years ago by the presiding bishop to minister to the circus in a part-time, volunteer position. Bruton Parish, then Tetrault's base, agreed to support him.

It was the culmination of a dream that began in the 1940s, when Tetrault's father took him to see his first circus.

"I'm a circus junkie," the priest says. "There's no bad circus. There's only no circus."

Pampa's Calvary Baptist Church offering smorgasbord of Sunday School classes

Those who are hungry but don't know what to eat often go to an all-you-can-eat buffet. Similarly, there are those looking for a Sunday School but perhaps don't know that they really want.

On these lines, Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd, is offering a buffet of Sunday School classes to tempt the Biblical palette.

As an "appetizer," the church offers "Inside These Walls," which provides a glimpse of the church. New members will gain a better understanding of how and where they "fit" in the total ministry of Calvary Baptist Church. The class also is available for those who might be considering becoming a member of the church or who are just interested in knowing more about the church.

For something "lite but fulfilling," "Family Enrichment" is a course designed to enhance families from the foundation up. With all the troubles assaulting families today, from work to school, from society to government, many feel a need to strengthen their families. This course helps people to understand the Biblical principles of the family and how to strengthen the family as a whole. This is an eight-week course from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Sundays beginning April 6.

For a "hearty, robust first course," the church is offering "A Study in Daniel." The Book of Daniel gives a historical account of the faithful Jews who lived in captivity and shows how God is in control of heaven and earth, directing the forces of nature, the destiny of nations and the care of His people. This is an eight-week course from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Sundays beginning April 6.

For the "he-man appetite," there is "Men at Work," a class designed with the man in mind. With this year being enacted as the "Year of the Man," this class is designed to help men do more than learn their role. It will help them to discuss and find support for their role as men, finding wisdom, knowledge and support from other men just like them.

Ladies may try the "low calorie/high energy" class, "Designing Women." This Sunday School class was designed with women in mind and their special creation to fulfill specific roles in this world. Women face specific needs that often are not addressed in large mixed groups but can be discussed comfortably and easily among women facing the same situations.

Thinking about fast food? "Video Link" allows those attending the class to link up with their favorite teachers like Charles Swindoll, Zig Ziglar and others in studying many of the different lessons for which these men and women are known.

For dessert, the church offers "The Round Table," a Sunday School class totally set to the "round table" discussion format. This class is for those who are the type that likes to come and discuss a topic and hear other people do the same. The class discusses topics like spiritual gifts, living in Christ, how to forgive, how to obey and other subjects that affect daily lives.

The church invites people to come and try this smorgasbord of Christian fellowship and learning. Those having questions or wishing to sign up for one of the classes may call the CBC office at 665-0842.

Orthodox Jewish women address delicate issues of religion, feminism

NEW YORK (AP) — When Julia Frankston-Morris celebrates her bat mitzvah this November, she won't mark the rite of passage at a synagogue.

Instead, the 11-year-old will commemorate her journey into adulthood before members of a women's prayer group in Harrisburg, Pa. That's because she plans to read aloud from the Torah, something forbidden for women by most Orthodox Jewish congregations.

Marian Frankston recently brought her daughter to the first International Conference on Feminism and Orthodoxy "to see the sincerity and intensity" of Orthodox Jewish women who are seeking changes within their religious movement.

About 800 women gathered at the Manhattan conference to address a very delicate issue: how women can carve out a more meaningful role in Judaism while adhering to traditional Jewish religious law, called "halacha."

"Feminism to me is a given. Orthodoxy to me is much the same way," said 19-year-old Tamar Berman, one of a growing number of young women studying Talmud, a compendium of Jewish thought. "I just feel very confused."

Orthodoxy is the strictest of the major streams of Judaism. While the Reform, Conservative and

Reconstructionist movements have women rabbis, Orthodoxy forbids them. About 10 percent of the 5.5 million Jews in the United States are Orthodox.

While Orthodoxy and feminism may seem to clash, feminism can be "perfectly consistent with the halachic life," said Blu Greenberg, a prominent Orthodox Jewish feminist.

"Where there's the rabbinical will, there's a halachic way" is her mantra.

A hot topic among Orthodox feminists is the women's tefillah, prayer groups for women that are sprouting throughout the country. The tefillah gives women an opportunity to read and study the Torah, the first five books of the Bible, in ways not allowed in traditional Orthodox congregations.

"In most Orthodox synagogues, the women's section could disappear and no one would notice," said Bat Sheva Marcus, who chairs the International Women's Tefillah Network.

In January, a Queens rabbinical association issued a controversial resolution banning the prayer groups. But Ms. Marcus said there are no religious grounds to bar the tefillah. Many rabbis simply do not like the idea of women reading Torah, she said.

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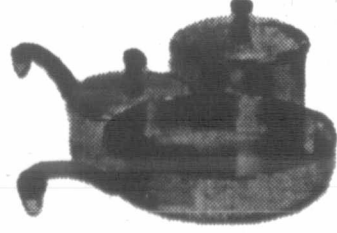
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Man's Reluctance To Marry Is Breaking Fiancee's Heart

DEAR ABBY: Six years ago, I met a man who seemed to adore me. We fell in love, he gave me a ring, we talked marriage and bought a beautiful home together. Sounds great, doesn't it? Here's the problem: We're not married yet!

I waited four years for him to set a date. He never did, so I finally got up enough nerve to ask him. He replied that he was "nervous" about the thought of marriage. I felt emotionally abandoned by his reply. Since that time, my self-esteem has almost disappeared.

Friends, family and co-workers ask me (especially around Valentine's Day), "When are you two getting married?" I joke and say, "Don't get so worked up — it's only a piece of paper," but my heart feels like it's breaking because I know marriage is the ultimate commitment of love, and I can't bear to tell them the truth. (I'm good enough to sleep with, but not good enough to marry.)

I still love this man with all my heart, although I know I will probably go to my grave without a wedding band or the children that I long to have.

Abby, please tell your readers who are considering living with their lovers to wait until after the wedding.

SETTLED FOR LESS

DEAR SETTLED FOR LESS: I'm printing your message in its entirety, although your signa-



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

ture says it all.

You are long overdue in re-evaluating your priorities. A wedding band and children are a lot to give up for a piece of real estate and a boyfriend who can't make a serious commitment.

Perhaps soon you'll reclaim your self-esteem and present your roommate with an ultimatum. You have everything to gain and nothing to lose. Trust me.

DEAR ABBY: Last Nov. 11, when we celebrated Veterans Day, I was asked why veterans used to stand facing east at 11 a.m. for two minutes of silence. The only answer I could find was "east is the direction of Europe."

Do you have any background information on this tradition?

MARK H. GRAMS,
DODGE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE,
JUNEAU, WIS.

DEAR MARK: Your research was correct. The armistice that ended World War I was signed on Nov. 11, 1918, near Paris, France. Although it was signed at 5 a.m. in a railroad car in the forest of Compiègne north of Paris, the hostilities were not formally ended until 11 a.m.

The custom of facing east was a tribute to the 10 million military personnel who died and the 20 million who were wounded. Tragically, at least 5 million civilians were lost to starvation and disease during that devastating war.

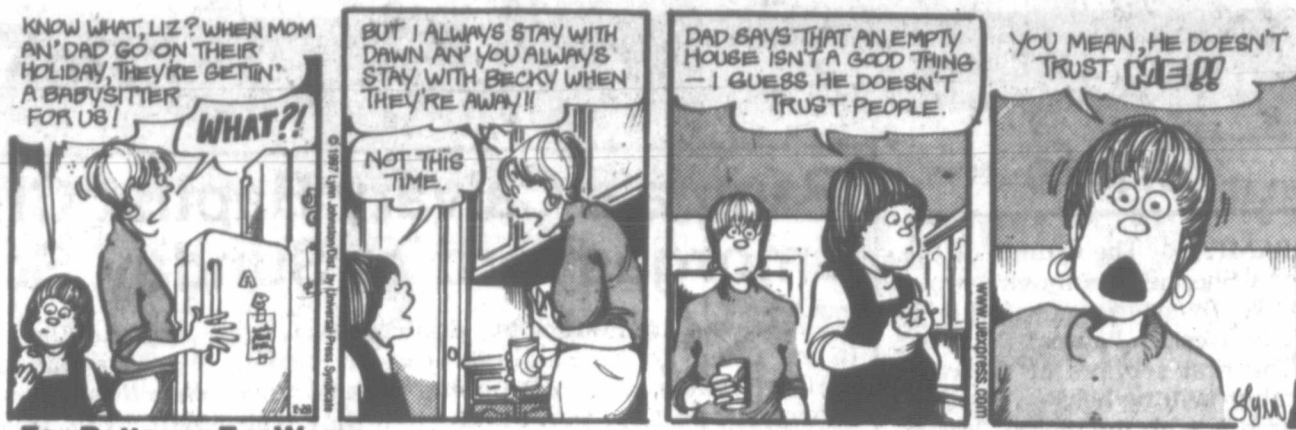
DEAR ABBY: I laughed out loud when I saw the recent item in your column about errors in church bulletins. I thought you might get a chuckle out of the typographical error that occurred in our church calendar.

"BURNING BOWL SERVICE: Jan. 5, 2 p.m. During the burning bowl service you are given the opportunity to let go and release anything unwanted in your life."

JANE BARNETT,
FORT COLLINS, COLO.

DEAR JANE: I'll bet the church was flooded with laughter.

For Abby's favorite family recipes, send a long, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet No. 1, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)



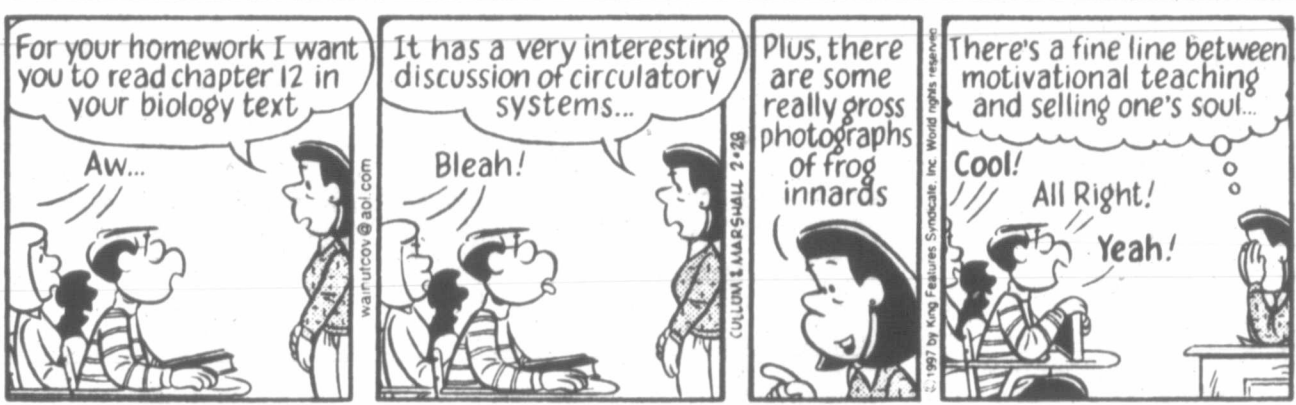
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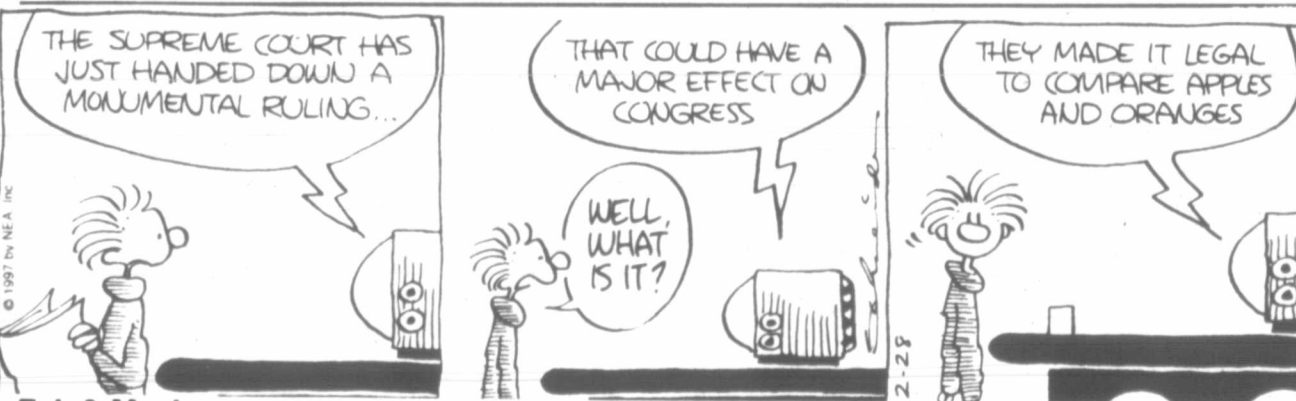
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Horoscope

Sunday, March 2, 1997

Something you've always wanted to do but felt your reach might be successfully achieved this year. Several friends will back you up.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your ambitions are likely to be tuned to a higher pitch today, so for best results mask your intentions with charm. Rejection is possible if others feel used. Pisces treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You are usually secure and friendly, but today you might be a trifle self-conscious and reluc-

tant to let someone you secretly admire know how you feel.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Companions will react favorably to you today because they'll know that you want the same things for them as for yourself. You have discovered the key to popularity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do not be overwhelmed by propaganda today. An objective that appears to be an enormous challenge might turn out to be the easiest of all your tasks to perform.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be observant today, there is a possibility you'll profit from the experiences of an associate. What you learn will be applicable to your own interests later.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your initial efforts might not produce the results you anticipate today. However, aided by a capable associate, they could. Keep plugging away.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Even though you might prefer operating independently of others today, your most significant benefits are likely to come from an alliance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) The slightly can take on a new look under your creative influence today. So put your talents to good use by beautifying areas in which you operate.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be sure you and Cupid are operating in unison today, because you might flirt with someone who could take you far more seriously than you intended.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) An abrasive situation that involves you and others should have a happy ending. This should make everyone concerned feel good.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Persons who care about you will be pleased to know you care about them as well. Do not be reluctant to use terms of endearment in your most cherished relationships.

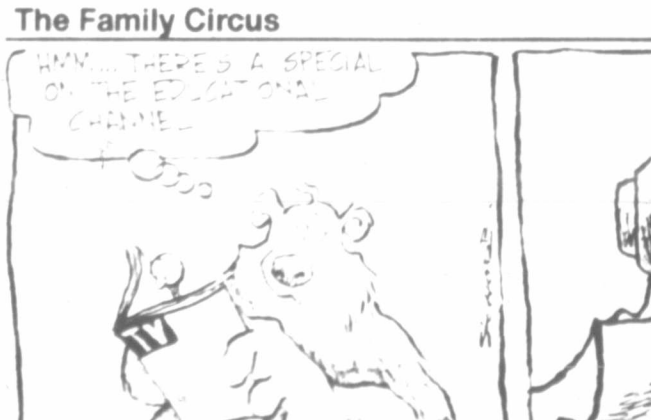
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It seems the financial wherewithal to acquire something expensive you've been wanting will come through. You will have to juggle things a bit, however.



"Don't read my story out loud. There's grownup stuff in there that Jeffy shouldn't hear."



"Why would you feel bad? It took four of them to make you sit."



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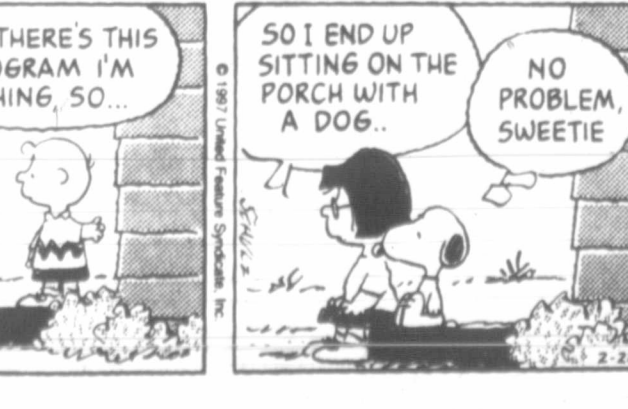
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Sports

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GOLF

GOODWELL, Okla. — Jeff Henderson of Pampa is a freshman member of the Oklahoma Panhandle State University men's golf team.

Other team members are Chad Blackmore of Goodwell, Okla., Mike Bostwick of Hooker, Okla., Kyle Fesmire of Arapaho, Okla., Michael Grande of Guymon, Okla. and Kosaku Nagai of Canyon, Tex.

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa Middle School's Teen Leadership classes are sponsoring a 3 on 3 and free throw basketball tournament on Saturday, March 1, beginning at 8 a.m.

Winners will be awarded trophies and gift certificates from Hastings.

Admission is one dollar and all proceeds will go to the American Heart Association.

CANADIAN — Hilary Brown and Tatum Rankin of Canadian have been named to the All-District 1-3A Girls' Basketball Team for 1996-97.

Brown averaged 11.8 points and 4.6 rebounds per game and Rankin 16.4 points and 4.6 rebounds for the Lady Wildcats.

The district's most valuable player honors went to Jody Avent, a West Texas High senior.

The all-district players were selected by the district coaches.

All-District 1-2A Girls' Team
Tatum Rankin, Canadian, jr.; Hilary Brown, Canadian, sr.; Stacie Sullivan, jr., West Texas High; Keisha O'Quin, Spearman, jr.; Jennifer King, Stratford, jr.; Amanda Stipe, Sunray, jr.; Lacey Christian, West Texas High, sr.; Courtney Monden, West Texas High, jr.; Lindsey Smith, Spearman, jr.; Jessica Sikora, Stratford, jr.

GENERAL

PAMPA — All Pampa Optimist Club members, coaches, parents and others interested in the Optimist Softball and Baseball Programs are needed for a workday at the ballparks on Saturday, starting at 9 a.m.

Major work needs to be done on the softball park in addition to annual maintenance on other park facilities. Workdays are scheduled for every weekend until the softball-baseball seasons begin.

More information can be obtained by contacting Ronnie Babcock at 665-1536 or James Schaub at 665-4406.

PAMPA — Volunteers are needed to help with the Top O' Texas boys' and girls' track meet Saturday at Pampa's Randy Matson Field.

Interested persons can contact Mike Lopez at 665-7063 (home) or 669-4830 (school).

The meet starts at 9:15 a.m. with the boys' 3200 event.

SOCCER

PAMPA — Pampa Soccer Association will host a mini clinic for U6 and U8 coaches Monday, March 3 at the PSA fields. Any returning and all new coaches are invited to attend.

Call 669-1273 for more information.

BOXING

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Sugar Ray Leonard wants to be an example to kids and also admits missing the attention, so he will fight again Saturday night.

His opponent, Hector Camacho, said Leonard needs cash.

Leonard, whose purses have totaled more than \$100 million, scoffs at that and shakes his head at what he calls probing questions and innuendoes concerning his reason for ending a 6-year retirement.

He hasn't fought since he was battered for 12 rounds by Terry Norris on Feb. 9, 1991.

So long has Leonard, a 40-year-old grandfather, been in retirement that he has been elected to the International Boxing Hall of Fame, to which he will be inducted in June.

"I was having the time of my life," Leonard said. "My life was quite content. I was happily married again."

Celeste in finals for second straight year

AUSTIN (AP) — Tessa Davis scored 20, including 11 points in the final five minutes, as Celeste earned its second straight trip to the Class A finals with a 49-42 victory over Brookesmith Thursday.

Celeste (32-3), which lost in last year's finals to Nazareth, will face Whiteface (34-1) in Saturday's championship game.

Whiteface defeated Henrietta Midway 82-37 in the other Class A semifinal.

Brookesmith (28-7) led 32-30 after three quarters and went up 36-34 on a short jumper by Sarah Dodds with 5:19 left. But Celeste intensified its defense and Davis took over, hitting a 3-pointer and then hitting six straight free throws to help Celeste take a 44-38 lead with 1:24 left.

Davis, who was 8-of-8 from the free throw line in the final 2:55 and 10-of-10 for the game, hit two final foul shots with 11.7 seconds left, putting Celeste up 49-39.

Brookesmith's Mykia Anderson hit a 3-pointer with five seconds to play to round out the scoring.

Marcey Lewis had 14 points and Christy Grady added nine points

GIRLS BASKETBALL

and seven rebounds for Celeste.

Shauna Dodds, a 6-foot-3 senior center who provided strong inside defense, led Brookesmith with 15 points. Michelle Taber had eight points and 10 rebounds, while Sarah Dodds, Shauna's sophomore sister, added six points.

Brookesmith dominated early as Kema Crawford hit two 3s and helped the Lady Mustangs race to a 10-0 lead.

But after Brookesmith took a 12-7 lead at the end of the first quarter, Davis ignited a rally by Celeste, scoring nine straight points as the Lady Devils went up 16-14 with 4:06 left in the second quarter.

Celeste, winners of the Class A state title in 1992 and 1993, led 21-18 at intermission.

Brookesmith was making its first tourney appearance.

Class 4A Semifinals
Levelland 48, Waco Midway 33
Cedar Hill 67, Silsbee 46

Missy Frazier scored 11 points and Levelland opened the second half with a decisive 13-0 run to help pull away from Waco Midway.

Levelland (30-4) will seek its seventh state title in 10 state tournament appearances in Saturday's championship game against Cedar Hill (34-3), a winner over Silsbee in the other semifinal.

Waco Midway (29-7), winner of six state titles in 14 tournament appearances, was led by Texas signee Rashunda Johnson with 10 points and six rebounds.

After a seesaw first half with four lead changes, Levelland scored 13 straight points — four by Frazier — and took a 35-24 lead with 1:34 left in the third quarter.

Midway, which never got closer than eight points in the final quarter, was held scoreless for nearly seven minutes as Levelland used a zone to collapse on the 6-foot-3 Johnson and force others to shoot unsuccessfully from outside.

In the other 4A semifinal, Kandance Wells had 15 points, leading four players in double-digit scoring as Cedar Hill used its height advantage and earned a second straight trip to the Class 4A championship.

Cedar Hill (34-3) lost in last year's final to Canyon.

Silsbee, which finished runner-up in 1995, ended the season 26-9 after making its third state tournament appearance. Shandy Carter scored 15 points and Brandi McCain added 13 for the Lady Tigers.

Cedar Hill was never threatened, taking a 9-1 lead and expanding it to 15-5 at the end of the first quarter behind seven points from Texas signee JoRuth Woods.

Class 3A Semifinals
Dripping Springs 61, Comanche 50

Mont Belvieu Barbers Hill 69, Malakoff 41

J.J. Riehl scored 14 points and grabbed five rebounds as Dripping Springs defeated Comanche.

Dripping Springs (30-9), winner of the 3A title in 1994 and runner-up in 1995, will play in Saturday's championship game against Mont Belvieu Barbers Hill (36-4), a winner over Malakoff in the other semifinal.

Comanche, led by Amber Ward with 20 points, finished the season 28-6 after making its ninth appear-

ance in the state tournament. After Comanche went up 6-4 with 4:40 left in the first quarter, Dripping Springs went on a 9-0 run fueled by four points on tough inside baskets by 6-foot-1 center Molly Miller, giving the Tigers a 13-6 lead with 2:15 left in the first.

Comanche pulled within 13-10 on a jumper by Sheri Quast, but Dripping Springs then ignited an 18-4 run that included eight points by Riehl, putting the Tigers in control, 31-14, just before intermission. Comanche never got closer than 10 points the rest of the way.

In the other semifinal, Aarika Florus had 15 points, leading five players in double-digit scoring as Mont Belvieu Barbers Hill beat Malakoff.

Malakoff, led by Skyja Drinks with 10 points, finished the year 21-13 after making its first trip to Austin.

Jennifer Dover scored six points and Julie Sandefur added four in a 16-0 run that broke an 11-11 deadlock and put Barbers Hill up 27-11 with 5:06 left in the second quarter.

Fifty years later, ESPN breaks new ground on Jackie Robinson

NEW YORK (AP) — For the first time, players have come forward with allegations of a conspiracy to strike 50 years ago when Jackie Robinson broke baseball's color barrier.

ESPN devoted its first 1997 edition of "Outside The Lines" to the Robinson story. The show makes its debut tonight, followed by a 90-minute town-hall meeting on race in sports, moderated by ABC News' Ted Koppel.

In a segment of the show, ESPN's Keith Olbermann says the network spoke to 93 of the Dodgers' 107 living 1947 opponents, and players from at least three franchises voted on whether to play.

The three were Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Chicago, and ESPN also has evidence that St. Louis probably took such a vote as well. Of those that voted, ESPN could confirm only that the Cubs voted to strike on opening day April 15.

"I think every team in the league voted," former Pirates outfielder Al Gionfriddo told ESPN.

Hank Wyse, a Cubs starting pitcher in 1947, said team captain Phil Cavaretta had a team meeting on opening day.

"He had a telegram saying all the other clubs would go on strike if Jackie Robinson played. 'How do you all feel about it?' They voted to not play," Wyse said. "The vote, it was 25 or 24 to one or something."

Dewey Williams, the Cubs catcher, said he and his teammates all were waiting for a call from Dodgers outfielder Dixie Walker confirming that Robinson had taken the field. Then the strike would go on.

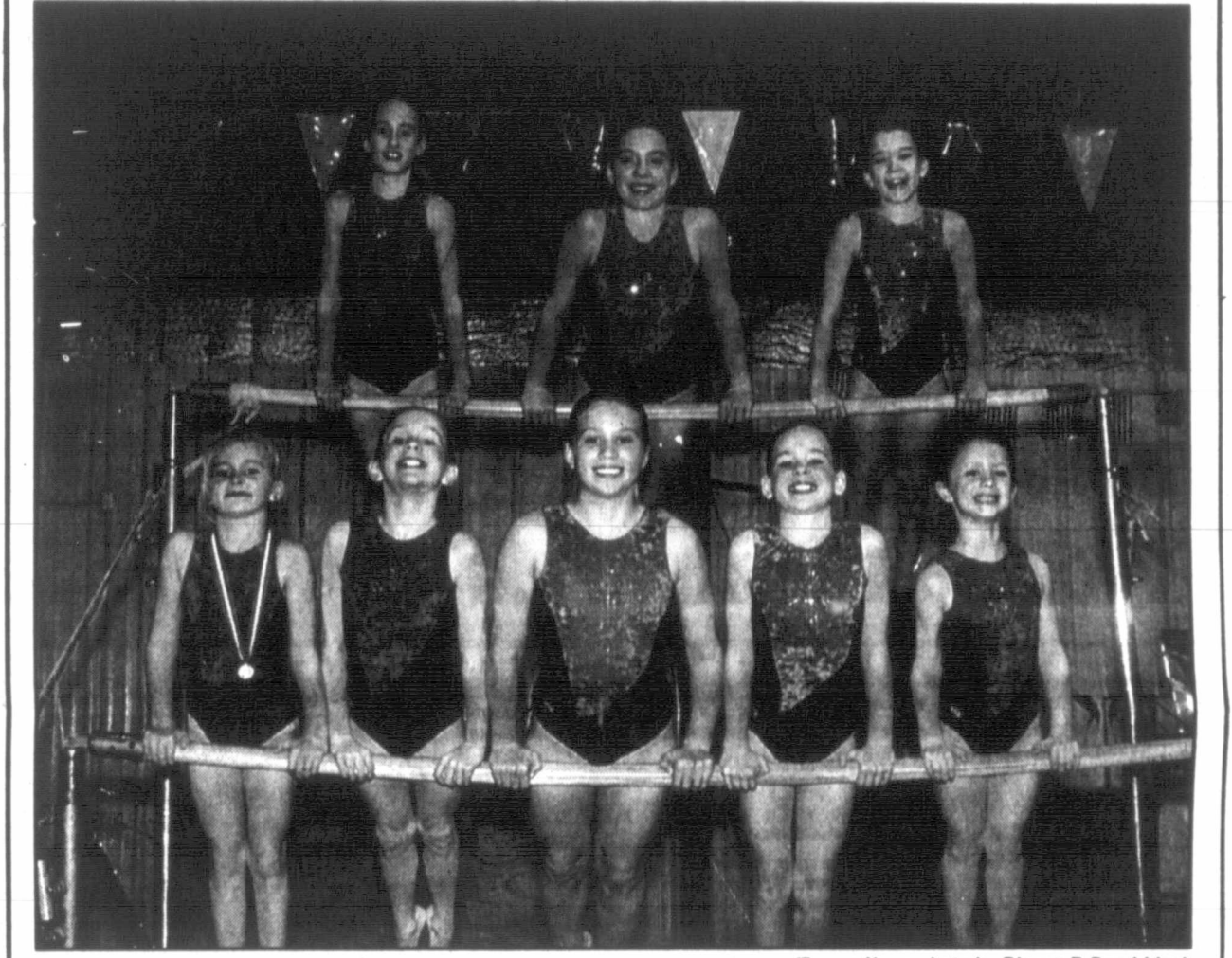
"Everybody in the clubhouse was sitting around waiting for Dixie to call, which we thought for sure he was going to do," Williams said.

Walker never called, and the Cubs played.

ESPN said a walkout by the Cardinals was forestalled, probably when Stan Musial refused to go along with it, and in a later interview, Robinson himself credited Dodgers president Branch Rickey, NL president Ford Frick and commissioner Happy Chandler for averting disaster.

ESPN spent 18 months working on the hour-long special, which will be followed by a town-hall style discussion program moderated by ABC News' Ted Koppel.

Champion gymnasts



(Pampa News photo by Diana F. Dandridge)

The M.G. Flyers Gymnastics traveling team traveled to Odessa on Feb. 15 and Lubbock on Feb. 22 with the team bringing home several first place ribbons and numerous other placings. The team is composed of Kaylee Greenhouse, Carie Clay, Alyssa Bromwell, Staci Clay, Nakayla Cqrter, Rachel Cook, Rhiannon Casados, Monica Eakin and Kaylie Brewer. The team is coached by Madeline Graves and Toni Connally.

PHS powerlifters qualify for regional tournament

PAMPA — Three Pampa athletes have qualified for the Texas High School Powerlifting Association Division 1 meet March 8 in Andrews. The meet consists of Classes 4A and 5A combined.

Jeremy Miller, Aaron Hayden and Ronnie Proby of Pampa finished among the top 10 in their weight class at the Demon Classic last weekend in Dumas to qualify for regionals. Each participant was required to make one clean lift in three events — squat, bench press and deadlift. The highest combined total in the three lifts was declared the winner.

Miller, competing in the 242-pound weight class, has a combined lift total of 1,220 pounds Hayden, 275-pound class, had a combined total of 1,375. Proby, also 275, had a total of 1,275. Hayden was

third in his weight class while Miller was sixth and Proby ninth. Miller is a sophomore while Hayden and Proby are both juniors.

Besides Pampa, other schools competing in the Demon Classic were Borger, Perryton, Panhandle, White Deer, Canyon, Randall, Childress, Dalhart, Tulia, Highland Park, Clarendon, Plainview and Dumas.

"This is really a growing sport," said Pampa coach Wade Wesley. "We're competing against both 4A and 5A schools and there's well over 100 kids lifting all over the state. It's really an honor just to go to regionals."

The top two in each weight class advance to the state powerlifting meet at Hofheinz Pavilion in Houston.

Abilene High won the state team title last year.

Utah posts win over Texas-El Paso

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah took an early lead over Texas-El Paso, then minds began wandering. The Utes started thinking about Saturday's game against No. 11 New Mexico. Coach Rick Majerus thought about his next generation of players.

Veterans Keith Van Horn and Andre Miller scored 12 points each in limited playing time Thursday night as No. 4 Utah (22-3, 14-1 Western Athletic Conference) beat

Texas-El Paso 68-55.

"I probably started thinking about it (Saturday's game) in the second half, once we got a 25-point lead," Van Horn said. "I've been thinking about this game as the team has."

Van Horn was honored in a ceremony before the game in which the 6-foot-10 forward was named the game ball from last Saturday's Utah-Tulsa game for becoming the school's career scoring leader. He has 2,358 points in four seasons.

Mad Hornets rally past Rockets

HOUSTON (AP) — The Charlotte Hornets already were mad at themselves for losing to Dallas this week. When Anthony Mason was ejected against Houston, they'd had enough.

Glen Rice scored 12 of his 24 points in the third quarter as the Hornets poured all their emotion into a second-half comeback to beat the Rockets 106-95 Thursday night. It was Charlotte's first win ever at The Summit.

"It's too bad we let one get away from us in Dallas (86-84), but I think that fired us up," Rice said. "When we lost Mason, that motivated us a little more."

With 3:18 to go in the second quarter, Mason got consecutive technicals and was ejected. Coach Dave Cowens also was hit with a technical, allowing the Rockets to tie the game 49-49 and then edge

to a 59-55 halftime lead.

The Hornets, who came into the game 0-9 on the Rockets' home court, used a 14-0 spurt over a 4:22 span of the third quarter to go from a 65-63 deficit to a 77-65 lead with 3:38 left in the period.

The Rockets never recovered, and the Hornets left the state 2-1 against the three Texas teams. They beat the San Antonio Spurs 96-84 Monday.

"It's too bad about the Dallas game. We could have swept Texas," Cowens said. "This is the first time we've been 12-deep healthy and our bench scored more than our starters."

Charlotte's bench players outscored Houston's reserves 56-15. Del Curry led the charge with 17 points.

"If it wasn't for our bench, we could have easily lost this game,"

Rice said. "Any time our bench does what they did tonight, it makes us that much better."

Charlotte is still 17-4 against the Rockets, but getting the first victory in The Summit was a big boost for the Hornets, who are 11-3 in their last 14 games.

"Without Anthony, we had to turn it up, and we did that incredibly well," Matt Geiger said. "We just played smart basketball. We just looked at ourselves after the Dallas game and said 'We're better than that,' and we came in here and took this game seriously."

After Charlotte's rally, the Rockets got no closer than 98-91 with 4:39 to go.

"We came in knowing we hadn't won here before," guard Muggsy Bogues said. "We wanted to be aggressive."

Stars bury Avalanche

DENVER (AP) — After the Dallas Stars defeated the NHL's top team, the players compared it to a playoff game. Stars coach Ken Hitchcock spoke in much less dramatic terms.

"Guys are making like it was a statement, but this isn't really any different than we have played on the road for a month," Hitchcock said. "Everybody gets on the same page and we play that way."

Dallas set a franchise record with its 20th road victory, an impressive 6-2 win over the Colorado Avalanche on Thursday night.

"We have proved from day one that we belong among the best, but as far as making a statement, I don't think so," Hitchcock said.

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Vancouver	11	48	.186	31					
Pacific Division									
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Seattle	39	16	.709	—					
L.A. Lakers	39	17	.696	1/2					
Portland	29	28	.509	11					
L.A. Clippers	24	29	.453	14					
Sacramento	25	31	.446	14 1/2					
Golden State	20	34	.370	18 1/2					
Phoenix	21	36	.368	19					
Wednesday's Games									
Sacramento 111, Boston 105									
Detroit 117, Golden State 84									
Orlando 98, Miami 95									
Indiana 92, Seattle 78									
Minnesota 108, San Antonio 89									
Atlanta 79, Milwaukee 72									
L.A. Clippers 83, Vancouver 80									
Phoenix 111, Philadelphia 104									
New York 96, Portland 95, OT									
Thursday's Games									
L.A. Lakers 122, Washington 107									
Cleveland 73, Chicago 70									
Charlotte 106, Houston 95									
Minnesota 107, Dallas 105, 2OT									
Utah 118, Toronto 114									
Transactions									
Thursday's Sports Transactions									
By The Associated Press									
BASEBALL									
American League									
ANAHEIM ANGELS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jason Dickson and C Todd Greene									
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Agreed to terms with 2B Jed Hansen, 2B Sergio Nunez and RHP Brian Bewil									
MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Named Steve Swisher manager for New Orleans of the American Association.									
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with OF Shannon Stewart, C Julio Mosquera, RHP Joe Young and RHP Kalvin Escobar on one-year contracts.									
National League									
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Named George Santiago minor league administrator.									
ATLANTA BRAVES—Agreed to terms with RHP Paul Byrd and OF Jermaine Dye on one-year contracts.									
NEW YORK METS—Signed RHP Toby Borland to a one-year contract.									
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Re-signed RHP William VanLandingham, LHP Kirk Ruster and LHP Doug Creek to one-year contracts.									
BASKETBALL									
National Basketball Association									
DALLAS MAVERICKS—Signed F Jason Sasser to a 10-day contract. Placed G Sasha Danilovic on the injured list.									
SEATTLE SUPERSONICS—Placed F Detlef Schrempf on the injured list.									
Continental Basketball Association									
CONNECTICUT PRIDE—Signed C Jeff Kent. Waived G-F Jerry Reynolds.									
FOOTBALL									
National Football League									
ATLANTA FALCONS—Agreed to terms with G Gene Williams. Released CB Tim McKyer.									
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Promoted John Dorsey to director of scouting. Named Will Lewis east scout and Johnny Meads south-west scout.									
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Re-signed TE Derek Brown to a one-year contract.									
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed OT J.R. Conrad.									
NEW YORK JETS—Terminated the contracts of DT Erik Howard and LB Rick Hamilton.									
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Signed QB Donald Hollas, WR Brandon Kennedy, WR Bobby Olive, TE Christopher Sanders, OL-G Michael Batista and DB Melvin Crawford.									
HOCKEY									
National Hockey League									
BOSTON BRUINS—Recalled D Bob Beers, D Anders Myrland and LW David Payne from Providence of the AHL. Assigned D Barry Richter to Providence.									
CALGARY FLAMES—Assigned C Ravi Ujukov to Fort Wayne of the IHL.									

Harvesters pound Sanford-Fritch

FRITCH — Reserves saw a lot of action as Pampa defeated Sanford-Fritch, 10-4, in a non-district baseball game Thursday.

The Harvesters were leading 10-0 going into the fourth quarter when head coach Dennis Doughty started emptying his bench.

"I started subbing a lot in the fourth inning and took out most of the first-teamers," Doughty said. "Our starting unit pounded Sanford-Fritch pretty good."

Seniors Seth Haynes and August Larson led Pampa's hitting assault. Haynes was 3 for 4 with a double and 2 RBI while Larson had 2 hits, 1 RBI and a walk.

Senior pitcher Duane King picked up his first

win of the season.

He went the first three innings and allowed only one hit and one earned run. Aaron Whitney pitched four innings of relief.

Pampa, 2-1, meets Plainview, 2-2, at 1 p.m. Saturday in Plainview.

Pampa's probable batting order is as follows: Jeremy Knutson, right field; Jarrin Miller, center field; Jamisen Hancock, second base; Ryan Schumacher, pitcher; Duane King, left field; August Larson, shortstop; Seth Haynes, third base; Josh Blackmon, designated hitter (batting for Jared Prock, first base); Ryan Davis, catcher.

"Plainview has a real fine baseball program. Lubbock Monterey won the 5A state championship last year and Plainview was one of the few teams who beat them," Doughty said.

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World briefs

British Conservatives at risk after special election defeat
LONDON (AP) — After 18 consecutive years in power, the Conservative Party has witnessed what may be an omen of its defeat.

The opposition Labor Party's landslide victory Thursday in a special election — one of a series of Conservative losses during the past five years — left Conservative Prime Minister John Major with a parliamentary minority and has cast serious doubt on the party's chances in upcoming national elections.

A last minute government deal with nine Northern Ireland Protestant legislators from the Ulster Unionist Party, however, meant Major is likely to survive until May 1, the expected date for the elections.

Labor needs the support of all the smaller parties to topple the government and force an earlier ballot.

The Conservatives came to power under Margaret Thatcher in 1979. Major became prime minister in 1990.

Earthquake kills at least 40 in western Pakistan
ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — A powerful earthquake shook southwestern Pakistan for nearly one minute today, collapsing homes and killing at least 40 people.

Dozens of others were injured when their sun-baked mud dwellings caved in, government officials said.

The 7.3-magnitude quake struck at 2:08 a.m. (4:08 p.m. Thursday EST) near Quetta, about 400 miles southwest of Islamabad.

Sleepy, frightened residents fled to the relative safety of open areas.

Ambulance workers said they feared the death toll could surpass 100. They said as many as 60 might have died in Harnai, a village just 30 miles away from the quake's epicenter.

Group seeks aid for gay Holocaust victims

GENEVA (AP) — A delegation of homosexuals pressed Swiss officials Thursday to ensure that gays get some portion of a new \$71 million humanitarian fund for needy victims of the Holocaust.

The Nazis murdered six million Jews and hundreds of thousands of other people during the Holocaust, including gays, Gypsies and the disabled.

The meeting in the Swiss capital, Bern, which came a day after the Swiss government formally started the fund, underscored that any Holocaust victim can apply for a part of its proceeds.

"We had the feeling that we were met with open ears," said Rolf Gerber, spokesman for the gay organization Pink Cross. He said the meeting with the government's task force on Holocaust victims was "very open and productive."

The organization will see to it that needy homosexual victims are put in touch with fund administrators, Gerber said.

Refugees between rock and hard place with nowhere to run

PU NAM RAWN, Thailand (AP) — Women, children and the elderly make up the 2,300 ethnic Karen refugees who survive on grains of rice and vegetables inside this makeshift camp at an abandoned tin mine just inside Thailand.

Absent from this and other camps along Thailand's border with Burma are young and middle-aged men, shipped back across the border by Thai military officials who accuse them of being Burmese guerrillas.

Nearly 15,000 refugees have arrived in Thailand since Feb. 11, after fleeing a Burmese army offensive aimed at wiping out the Karen National Union, a guerrilla army that has fought for autonomy since 1949 but now numbers less than 1,500 fighters.

A victory over the Karen would give Burma control of its border with Thailand for the first time in its history.

In Pu Nam Rawn, the military on Tuesday and Wednesday separated out all males 13 and older and trucked them back to Burma.

Relatives and aid groups charge that women and children are being forced back as well.

The United States and human rights groups have criticized the forced repatriation, while refugees fear their loved ones will be caught up in the fighting.

"No, no, no," said Christable Paul, whose 15-year-old son, Thaser, was among several hundred forced back. "He is a schoolboy, not a soldier," the 42-year-old health worker said as tears trickled down her weathered cheeks. "They do not have any experience, they do not know how to fight."

Nor do they have any weapons to defend themselves, she said.

With the Burmese army treating Karen territory as a free-fire zone and refugees recounting tales of executions and gang rapes of innocent villagers by Burmese troops, the prospects for the young men's survival are bleak.

Though some admittedly were rebels, the refugees insist most were not. Now their only hope may be to join the thousands of other Karen who, failing to make it to Thailand, have sought shelter by hiding in the Burmese jungles.

Aid groups say both the Thai and Burmese governments stand to gain economically from an end-to the Karen insurgency.

A \$1.2 billion natural gas pipeline owned by the Burmese government and French and U.S. oil companies is being built through Karen territory to sell gas to Thailand. The rebels have vowed to destroy it.

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