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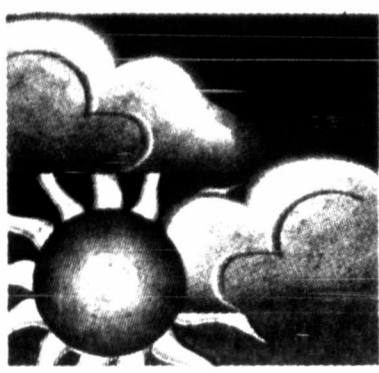
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weather details.

PAMPA — Hiland Pentecostal Holiness Church youth group is hosting a Mexican food dinner Friday, April 18, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the church's fellowship hall, 18th and Banks Streets.

The menu, prepared from family recipes, includes enchiladas, rice, beans, picante sauce, chips, tossed salads, dessert and tea. Carry out boxes will be available.

Adults and students are charged \$5 per plate, and students under 12 to preschoolers are charged \$2 per plate. Children under three eat free.

The HPHC youth are holding various fund-raising events throughout the year, in preparation for their trip to Kansas City, Mo., in August to attend the Youth Quest '97 young people's convention. Funds raised will cover fees for those attending the convention plus other activities, meals, motels and travel expense.

For more information, contact Pastor Nathan Hopson at 665-1459.

PANHANDLE — The 42nd annual Barbecue Dinner sponsored by the St. Theresa Catholic Church is set for Sunday, April 27, in the Church Parish Hall.

The all-you-can-eat meal will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with adults eating for \$6 and children six and up eating for \$3. Children under six eat free. The meal will include barbecue beef, potato salad, cole slaw, beans, bread, and apricots.

A Country Store will feature many homemade items and "barbecue meat to go" will also be on sale.

St. Theresa Church can be located by taking Spur 293, off of Hwy. 60 in Panhandle.

PAMPA — The local Wal-Mart store will be hosting a town meeting on Tuesday, April 22, at 2 p.m. to develop ideas and plans for a project which will benefit the entire community.

Store manager Ron Lucero invites community members, store associates and local school representatives to join in the discussions of environmental concerns and agree on a suitable project.

Lucero said the best way to find out about the needs of a community is to talk to the members of a community and let them know they have a voice in the plans which will affect them.

According to a press release from the head office, it is Wal-Mart's goal to act as a catalyst to recycling and environmental programs where Wal-Mart stores are located.

For more information regarding the Earth Day Project town meeting, contact Jimi Dickson at 665-0727.

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Panel revamps school property tax relief plan

AUSTIN (AP) — A House committee trying to lower local school property taxes has reduced its targeted cut by \$500 million a year but has proposed a plan to help schools pay off their current debt.

The new plan could be voted on by the committee as early as this afternoon.

The House Select Committee on Revenue and Public Education Funding had been expected to vote soon on a proposal to lower local school property taxes by about \$3 billion a year. That did not include help paying off current debt on school buildings.

The new proposal would lower those taxes by about \$2.5 billion a year and includes a state promise to dedicate about \$300 million over the next two years to help pay off current debt.

The committee is considering a plan to replace local school property taxes by expanding the state business tax, increasing some other taxes and adding to the list of goods and services subject to the state sales tax.

That list of goods and services was changed Monday after hearings last week in which Texans told the committee why they opposed some of the proposals, including sales taxes on taxi rides, commercial leases and haircuts.

All those services, and some others, no longer are being considered for sales taxes or higher taxes. New items being considered are increases on parimutuel racing fees and annual fees on automated teller machines and coin-operated machines like car washes.

Rep. Paul Sadler, committee chairman said the list was

changed after considering public testimony that some proposals would hurt the economy. He said lobbyists had little to do with the changes.

"The testimony was very good. These final changes have been carefully thought out," said Sadler, D-Henderson.

The new plan also would guarantee state funding to help pay off debt for current schools and would give some money to help pay for new schools.

"This is where the Supreme Court said we were lacking," Sadler said, referring to three school funding plans ruled unconstitutional by the Texas Supreme Court before the current plan was adopted in 1993.

The current funding system includes the so-called Robin Hood funding formula in which 91 school districts with an abundance of taxable property have to share their income with districts low on taxable property.

That system would be replaced with a state tax on business property, rather than local school taxes on business property.

The latest changes would lower the cap on local residential taxes for school operation and maintenance to 70 cents from the current \$1.50 cap.

The cap on business property would fall to \$1.05 from \$1.50. The cap on local taxes for school buildings and debt would remain at 50 cents per \$100.

Schools would get up to \$53 per student from the state for each penny in their tax rate, compared with \$21 per student per penny. A tax rate of 70 cents would draw \$3,710 per student, compared with the current \$3,150 for the \$1.50 cap.

Arbor Day honoree



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Pampa Garden Club members Mary Gruben, Maryann Bailey, Geraldine Lovingood, Leny Howard, Clara Quary, Georgia Holding, Marilyn Butler and Thelma Bray recognize Smiley Henderson, 419 E. Foster, for his diligent work with trees and shrubs in honor of Arbor Day. Henderson has lived at this address for more than 50 years and a number of trees in his yard are more than 70 years old.

McLean to host Barbed Wire Association banquet and show exhibits on Saturday

McLEAN — Tickets are now on sale to attend the annual Barbed Wire Association banquet at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 19, at McLean's Devil's Rope Museum.

The price is \$8.50 per person, and the menu features steaks catered by Dyer's Yellow Rose Steakhouse of Pampa.

All tickets should be paid for and picked up from the Devil's Rope Museum before noon Saturday, according to Delbert Trew, association member and director of the museum.

The Barbed Wire show exhibits and collectibles for judging will be on display for the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, April 18, and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 19.

According to Trew, there will be over 60 tables of barbed wire items, ranging from antique collections to a variety of tools relative to the history of barbed wire fencing.

The ladies' exhibits of hand-made crafts and collectibles will

include items concerned with household decorations, non-decor items, dolls of various eras, bells, milk theme collections and children's toys. These items are for show and for sale.

Trew said judged competition in the barbed wire and tool exhibits and historical collections is based on classification and types of trade tools, historic era and the display method. More than 600 individual displays of mounted and encased barbed wire will be entered in the show. The exhibits will be placed in the Western Heritage Community Room of the museum.

"One outstanding collection for viewing will be presented by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stumpff of Santa Fe, New Mexico. It is a collection of all milk and dairy related items, which tells the history of the dairy industry," Trew said.

He said several historic themes for specific times of our

lives in history, most of them related to the early barbed wire history, pioneer farming and ranching times, will be of interest to the participants and to the visitors.

"These people come from such far distances, and everyone will be telling about their individual displays and they will have many items for sale," he said.

Trew also suggests that "anyone who might have a collection that was given to them, or acquired by gift who may wish to have an expert opinion on its identity or value, this show is the place to be."

He suggests bringing a small piece of the wire or tool to be examined, which may prove to be an interesting history lesson. However, only associate members are allowed to enter exhibits and compete and the trade tables are for association members only.

Refreshments will be served both days.

House keeps parent-taught driver's ed

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas parents still would be able to teach their children how to drive after the House killed a bill Monday to repeal such a program.

State lawmakers in 1995 approved a program allowing parents to teach their children a driving course approved by the Department of Public Safety.

The program went into effect last week after the DPS made the course material available.

The parents have to pay \$20 to get the course material. They must certify that their children attend the required hours of "class" and practice driving a required number of hours before

the students can take a DPS written test for a license.

Rep. Keith Oakley, D-Terrell, said the course was meant only for children taught in home schools.

Many lawmakers argued that point, but Attorney General Dan Morales last year issued a legal opinion saying the law applied to all students. Such opinions carry the weight of law.

Oakley also said there is no way to be sure parents teach the course or that students practice driving before taking the written DPS test. The department since 1992 has not required driving tests for any

license applicant.

"This has put the state of Texas in the position of handing a full blown driver's license to someone who may have never spent one minute behind the wheel," Oakley said.

Also, the bill has created some confusion regarding insurance discounts often given to students completing driver's education courses.

Representatives of insurance companies said they were still considering the situation and have not yet decided whether any discounts would be given to children receiving the course from their parents.

Two juveniles arrested after high-speed chase

Two juveniles in a stolen vehicle led law enforcement agencies on a high speed chase beginning three miles west of Panhandle, through White Deer and out into the country Monday afternoon.

According to Sgt. Bill Schneider of the Borger DPS office, a trooper on routine patrol observed a seat belt violation of the driver of a 1992 Mitsubishi. When he turned to stop the car, the driver took off at a high speed.

The juveniles traveled east on Highway 60, turned north on highway 294 through Skellytown then west on Texas

Hwy. 152, often at speeds in excess of 100 mph.

At the intersection of Texas 152 and FM 280, the car left the road and stopped in a field. The two juvenile suspects were spotted by a Hutchinson County emergency aircraft. The pilot reported one suspect fired shots at the plane before law enforcement officers could intervene.

The juvenile with the gun then threatened to shoot himself. Officers were able to talk the suspect into surrendering without further incident.

The chase beginning at 2:06 p.m. and ending at 3:20 p.m.

involved officers from Carson County Sheriff's Office, Gray County Sheriff's Office, Hutchinson County Sheriff's Office, Panhandle and Stinnett police departments as well as the Department of Public Safety.

The juveniles allegedly stole the 1992 Mitsubishi four-door from Elk Hart, Kan., where its owner was visiting from Guymon, Okla. The gun was apparently stolen from the home of one of the juveniles.

The two juveniles have been taken to the youth correction and detention facility in Canadian.

Planting a tree



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Thelma Bray, of the Pampa Garden Club, watches as William McCarley plants one of the Bradford Pear trees, donated by the club, along the drip irrigation line system already in place at the M.K. Brown Municipal Swimming Pool park area. McCarley has been volunteering his time to help with landscaping in the park area.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

HYATT, Madeline Weaver — Graveside services, 2 p.m. Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery, Canadian.
SANDERS, Bonnie — 2 p.m., Church of Christ, Shamrock.

Obituaries

MADELINE WEAVER HYATT
CANADIAN — Madeline Weaver Hyatt, 74, died Monday, April 14, 1997, at Amarillo. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery in Canadian with the Rev. Hiram Reyes officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Stickle-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.
 Mrs. Hyatt was born July 15, 1922, at Canadian, to Odie and Lena Mae Bott Weaver. She attended school at Canadian. She married Roy Ernest Hyatt on July 30, 1940, at Miami; he died Oct. 9, 1957. The couple moved to Aransas Pass in the early 1940s from Canadian. She returned to Canadian in 1958. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Church.
 Survivors include two daughters, Joyce Westbrook of Canadian and Bonnie Kelly of Palacios; a son, Tommy Hyatt of Midland; 12 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to Hemphill County Home Health; Hemphill County Hospice; or National Kidney Foundation of West Texas, 5920 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo, TX 79106.

BONNIE SANDERS
SHAMROCK — Bonnie Sanders, 70, died Sunday, April 13, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Church of Christ with Cottie Tarbet of Shamrock officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.
 Mrs. Sanders was born in Collingsworth County and had been a lifelong Shamrock area resident, graduating from Samnorwood High School. She married Charles E. Sanders on Oct. 21, 1950, at Shamrock. She worked at AVC Variety store and at First National Bank in Shamrock for many years. She was a member of the Church of Christ.
 Survivors include her husband, Charles, of Shamrock; two daughters, Carol Fields of Pampa and Cathy Ramsey of Shamrock; a son, Chad Sanders of Amarillo; two sisters, Roberta Gabbard of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Frieda Delwarte of Chatsworth, Calif.; six grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.
 The family requests memorials be to the Shamrock Church of Christ Building Fund or to the Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation.

Calendar of events

TOTS-N-TRAINING
 Parents of preschool children can pick up free materials to help their children get ready for school through the Tots-N-Training program. Materials and a copy of the service's newsletter will be available at Frank's Thriftway #1, 300 E. Brown, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Frank's Thriftway #2, 1420 N. Hobart, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Albertsons', 1233 N. Hobart, from 10-11 a.m. and 3:30-5:30 p.m.; and Pampa Community Day Care Center, 1100 Gwendolen, from 4:30-6 p.m. For more information, call Sue Thornton at 669-4700.

TOP O' TEXAS TRADE DAYS
 Entries are being taken for events in the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association's Trade Days, set for May 3-4 at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion and rodeo grounds. Events include chili cookoff, brisket cookoff, arts and crafts booth, and team penning competition. For more information on these activities, call 669-3241.

JUNIOR PARENTS MEETING
 Pampa High School counselors Gail Cole and Karla Howell will meet with parents of current PHS juniors at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 17, in the high school library to provide information for parents in preparation for their students' senior year. Topics will include post-high school plans, college admission testing, graduation costs and other information.

Emergency numbers

Emergas 665-5777
 SPS 669-7432
 Water 669-5830

Police report

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

MONDAY, April 14
 Child Protective Services reported an abandoned child in the 1100 block of Gwendolen.
 Theft of a brown leather wallet valued at \$60 was reported in the 2200 block of North Hobart.
 A 47-year-old male reported an assault by contact in the 2400 block of Rosewood.
 Found property was reported at Chestnut Park.
 Criminal trespass was reported in the 700 block of East Francis.
 Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of South Dwight. Approximately \$100 damage was done to the windows.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, April 14
 9:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 100 block of North Dwight on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.
 11:14 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center to transfer a patient to a local nursing facility.
 11:56 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center to transfer a patient to Baptist St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

Accidents

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

MONDAY, April 14
 A 1972 Chevy C-10 pickup driven by Christopher Robert Harrison 17, 1605 N. Christy, and a 1989 Ford Ranger pickup driven by Jason James Benton, 17, 914 Terry, collided in the 200 block of West Harvester. Harrison was cited for an improper start from a parked position.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's office reported the following arrest for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, April 14
Arrests
 Weldon Tyrone Evans, 30, 846 S. Somerville, was arrested on charges of failure to appear and having no Texas driver's license. He paid the fines and was released.

Fires

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

MONDAY, April 14
 6:25 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to a grass fire 8 miles south on State Hwy. 2300.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	4.52	Chevron	64	up 1/8
Milo	4.53	Coca Cola	56.94	up 2 3/8
Corn	5.20	Columbia/HCA	33.94	up 3/8
		Emson	37.08	dn 3/8
		Halliburton	66.38	dn 1/4
		McDonald's	44	up 1/4
		Ingersoll Rand	44	up 1/4
		KNE	37.14	dn 1/8
		Kerr McGee	57.58	up 3/8
		Limited	17.38	up 1/8
		Mappo	29.14	up 1/8
		McDonald's	49	up 3/8
Occidental	22.78	NC		
		Mobil	122.58	up 1 1/8
		New Atmos	24.14	NC
		Parker & Parsley	30.38	dn 1/8
		Penney's	46.38	up 1/2
		Phillips	37.78	dn 1/8
		SLB	103.14	dn 1/2
		SPS	36	NC
		Tenneco	39	up 1/2
		Texaco	103.38	up 3/8
		Ultranar	31.18	up 1/4
		Wal Mart	27.78	up 1/8
		New York Gold	342.00	
Amoco	81.34	up 3/8		
Arco	129.18	up 3/8		
Cabot	24 1/4	dn 1/8		
Cabot O&G	15 3/4	NC		

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

Amoco	81 3/4	up 3/8	New York Gold	342.00
Arco	129 1/8	up 3/8	Silver	4.65
Cabot	24 1/4	dn 1/8	West Texas Crude	19.91
Cabot O&G	15 3/4	NC		

Correction

It was erroneously reported in Monday's edition that elementary schools would be dismissed at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15. The brief should have read at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 16.

Lefors sets flat rate for residential trash pickup

LEFORS — The Lefors City Council set a flat rate of \$10 per month for residents for trash pickup.
 This rate change replaces the previous base rate of \$3.50 plus \$1.50 for each barrel of trash.
 The rate for trash pickup for the Lefors school district and Taylor Mart in Lefors has also been changed to \$50 per month. The rates for the school and business is much higher than the residence charges because of the

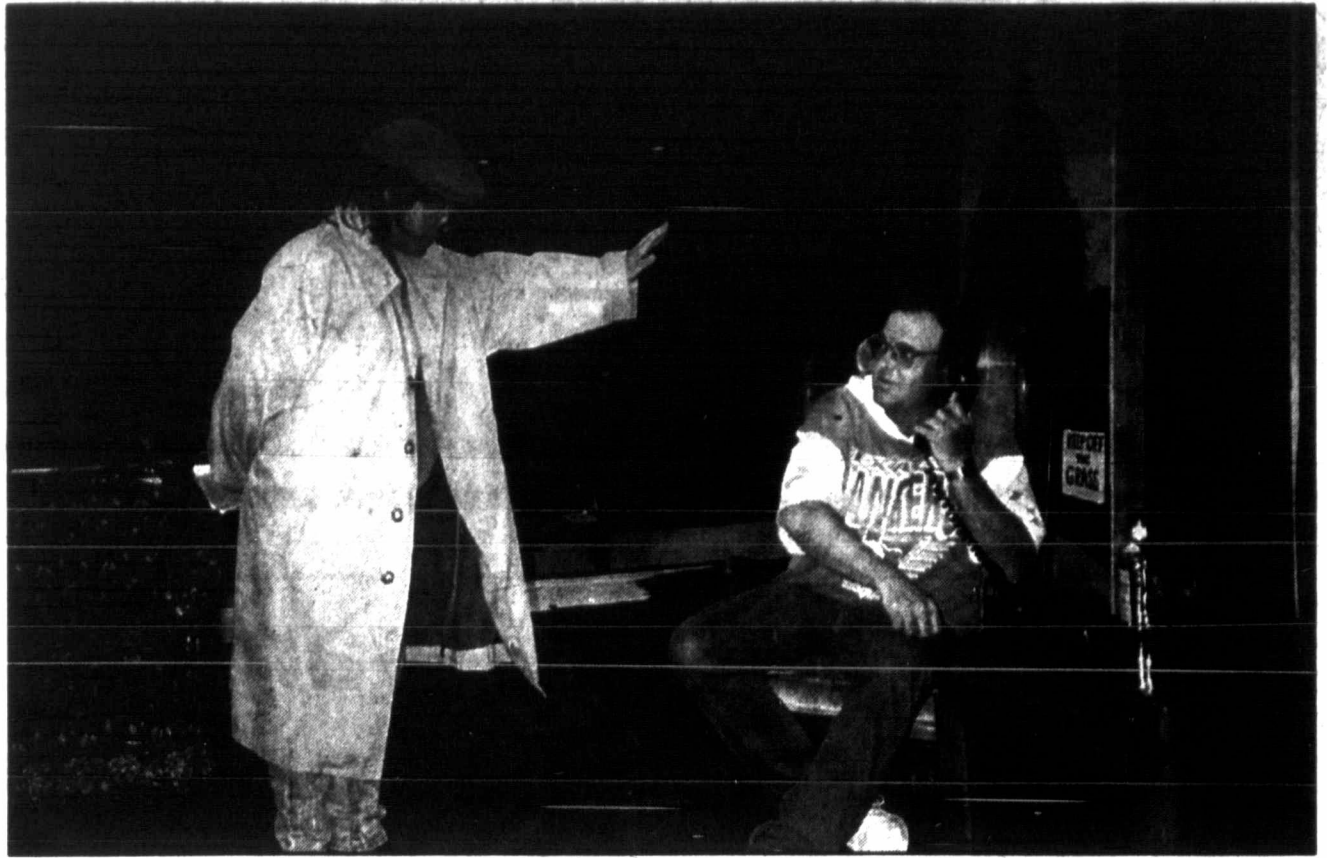
larger amounts trash that must be picked up, said Virginia Maples, Lefors city secretary.
 In addition to setting a new rate for trash pickup, the city council also addressed the following items:
 • A resolution was passed to allow the city to apply for a grant from the Panhandle Regional Planning Committee for repairs and construction at the sewer facility.
 • A vote to change the city's

long distance carrier from AT&T to Hi-Plains NTS Communications was approved;
 • Council members decided to support a program funded by the PRPC that allows youth ages 14-21 to work for cities in the Panhandle; and
 • A discussion concerning insurance for city employees was tabled until next month's meeting. The city currently does not provide insurance coverage to its employees.

Museum featuring display on 1947 tornado in Canadian

CANADIAN — The River Valley Pioneer Museum in Canadian is featuring the display of "The Great Tornado of 1947," as covered by *The Hemphill Co. News*, during the month of April in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the storm.
 The children and grandchildren of Othello and Elna Miller invite the public to see the published account of the 1947 tornado, published at the time by the Millers, who were publishers of *The Hemphill Co. News* from 1938 through 1968.
 A quote from "The Publisher's Auxiliary," Chicago, Ill., dated May 1947, states: "Less than 48 hours later the regular edition of *The Hemphill Co. News* ... appeared with full details of the disaster ... Miller's coverage was so complete that his stories

were used by area radio stations and quoted by other newspapers as the most authentic information about the storm."
 The front page of one issue was later reprinted by The Salvation Army and used in its brochures.
 According to a spokesman for the River Valley Pioneer Museum, a lot of this information has not been seen in a while since the files of *The Hemphill Co. News* were only recently microfilmed and are now available through inter-library loan with the State of Texas.
 The museum hours are from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m., every Tuesday through Friday; 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturdays; and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sundays.



Joe Benjamin (portrayed by Jimmy Lindsay) is interrupted by God's messenger Sidney Lipton (played by Sandra Keeton) in the ACT I production of Neil Simon's *God's Favorite*, due to open Friday night.

ACT I to present 'God's Favorite'

Area Community Theatre Inc. will be presenting its spring production of *God's Favorite*, a comedy by American playwright, Neil Simon.
 The lives of Joe and his family are turned upside-down after a messenger from God appears to Joe to let him in on the news that Joe's faith in God is going to be tested beyond belief. The earthly messenger from God ends up hanging around and plays Devil's Advocate.
 Throughout all the turmoil presented to Joe and his family, Joe's love for God never falters.
 The story is beautifully written and promises to have every patron rolling in the aisles, according to ACT I members.
 The cast members for this show are Jimmy Lindsay, portraying Joe Benjamin; Brandy Ketchum as Joe's wife, Rose; Rick Welch in the role of Joe's eldest son, David; Aaron Lindsay and Holly Broadus playing the twin son (Ben) and daughter (Sarah) of Joe and Rose; Annie Kirstan and Justin "Doc" Welch in the roles of the maid and the butler, Mady and Morris; and Sandra Keeton as God's messenger, Sidney Lipton.
 The directors for this show are Berinda Turcotte and Diane Chase.

Testimony under way in trial on drug charge

Javier Ramirez Santacruz, 37, of Pampa, is on trial for possession of a controlled substance in 223rd District Court before visiting Judge Grainger McIlhany.
 The state rested its case shortly before 3 p.m. Monday after calling a Pampa police officer, a former Pampa police officer, an officer with the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Drug Task Force and a Texas Department of Public Safety chemist to the witness stand.
 The defense continued its testimony this morning.
 Pampa Police Corporal Stefanie Raymond and former police officer Rob Goodin both testified that they were called to 824 S. Reid Street about 1 p.m. May 8, 1996, where they were met by Sandy Hernandez Alvarez, 30. Alvarez indicated that she and Santacruz, who shared the residence, had quarreled, and Alvarez wanted to leave the mobile home.
 Goodin said Santacruz came out of the mobile home screaming that Alvarez had slashed the tires on his pickup truck. Both Raymond and Goodin testified that Raymond agreed to take Alvarez to a relative's house.
 The two officers said separately that Alvarez went into the mobile home and returned a few moments later carrying a child and a cardboard box while they talked to Santacruz in the driveway of the residence. Alvarez got into the passenger's seat of Raymond's patrol car, placing the box on the floorboard between her feet.
 Goodin said he pulled the box out of the car after Santacruz told him to check it.
 "I took the box out of the car," Goodin said. "She (Alvarez) tried to grab the box. Javier tried to grab the box, too."
 Goodin and Raymond said Santacruz reached into the box and grabbed a small covered plastic bowl and threw it in the yard where his dog was.
 Goodin retrieved the bowl with the dog, a Rottweiler, nipping at his legs, the former Pampa police officer said.
 Goodin said the bowl contained a white powdery substance. Alvarez was arrested and the officers notified Alvin Johnson, a Pampa police officer with the drug task force.
 Johnson testified the substance appeared to be methamphetamine according to the field test he performed. Chemist Roy Murphy with the Department of Public Safety's crime lab in Amarillo confirmed that the substance was about 44 grams of methamphetamine.
 Alvarez, the first witness for the defense, spent more than an hour on the stand Monday afternoon outside the hearing of the jury pleading her Fifth Amendment rights against self incrimination as defense attorney Ron Spriggs asked her if she used or sold drugs.
 Alvarez also faces drug charges stemming from the same incident that led to charges against Santacruz.
 Judge McIlhany, following legal discussion with District Attorney John Mann, Spriggs and Alvarez' attorney Tom Jones, ruled that Alvarez would not have to appear before the jury claiming her right against self incrimination.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, generally clear with a low in the mid 30s and northerly winds 10-20 mph. Wednesday, generally sunny with a high in the mid 60s. Northeasterly winds 5-15 mph. Monday's high was 67; the overnight low was 42.
REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, partly cloudy with lows from near 30 to mid 30s. Wednesday, partly cloudy to mostly sunny with highs from near 60 to mid 60s. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 35-45. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs 63-70.

North Texas — Tonight, mostly clear. Lows 43 to 50. Wednesday, morning clouds southwest, otherwise partly cloudy area wide. Highs 67 to 74.
 South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows near 50, mid 40s Hill Country. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 70s. Upper Coast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows upper 40s to near 50 inland to 50s coast. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 70s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in upper 50s coast to the mid 50s inland. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Highs

near 70 coast to the 70s inland.
BORDER STATES
 New Mexico — Tonight, partly cloudy east with fair skies west. Lows in upper teens to near 30 mountains with 30s to mid 40s elsewhere. Wednesday, partly cloudy east and south with a few afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms extreme southwest. Fair skies northwest. Highs in mid 50s to near 70s mountains and north with 70s to near 80 lower elevations of the south.
 Oklahoma — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows from low 30s northwest to mid 40s Red River valley. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in mid and upper 60s.

City briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

IN EFFORT to provide to those without, the Pampa Noon Lions Club is accepting the donations of used eye glasses to be presented at their annual district convention on April 18, 1997. Donations can be made as late as Thursday, April 17th. There will be a box at the Health Fair in MK Brown on Saturday and there will also be boxes at Heard & Jones, Simmons & Simmons, Regional Eye Clinic and Balfour Optical. Adv.

ACT I presents "God's Favorite" April 18, 19, 25 and 26th 7:30 p.m. in the theatre at Pampa Mall. Also Sunday Matinee April 20th. Reservations call 665-3710. Adv.

NEW SHIPMENT of sugarless chocolates and other gourmet candies, lots of new baby gifts, over-the-hill birthday gifts and more fun kids stuff. We're your place for balloon bouquets, gift baskets, party favors and more. Call Celebrations, 665-3100, 1617 N. Hobart. Adv.

GRADUATION MONOGRAMING: The Stitchin' Barn has hanger, tote bags and shaving kits in school colors, large laundry bags and towel wraps. Bring us your letter jackets, bath and beach towels, robes, etc. 669-3543 (located in Walnut Creek). Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Tuesday 5-8 p.m. Pork chops, baked chicken, chicken gizzards, chicken fried steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

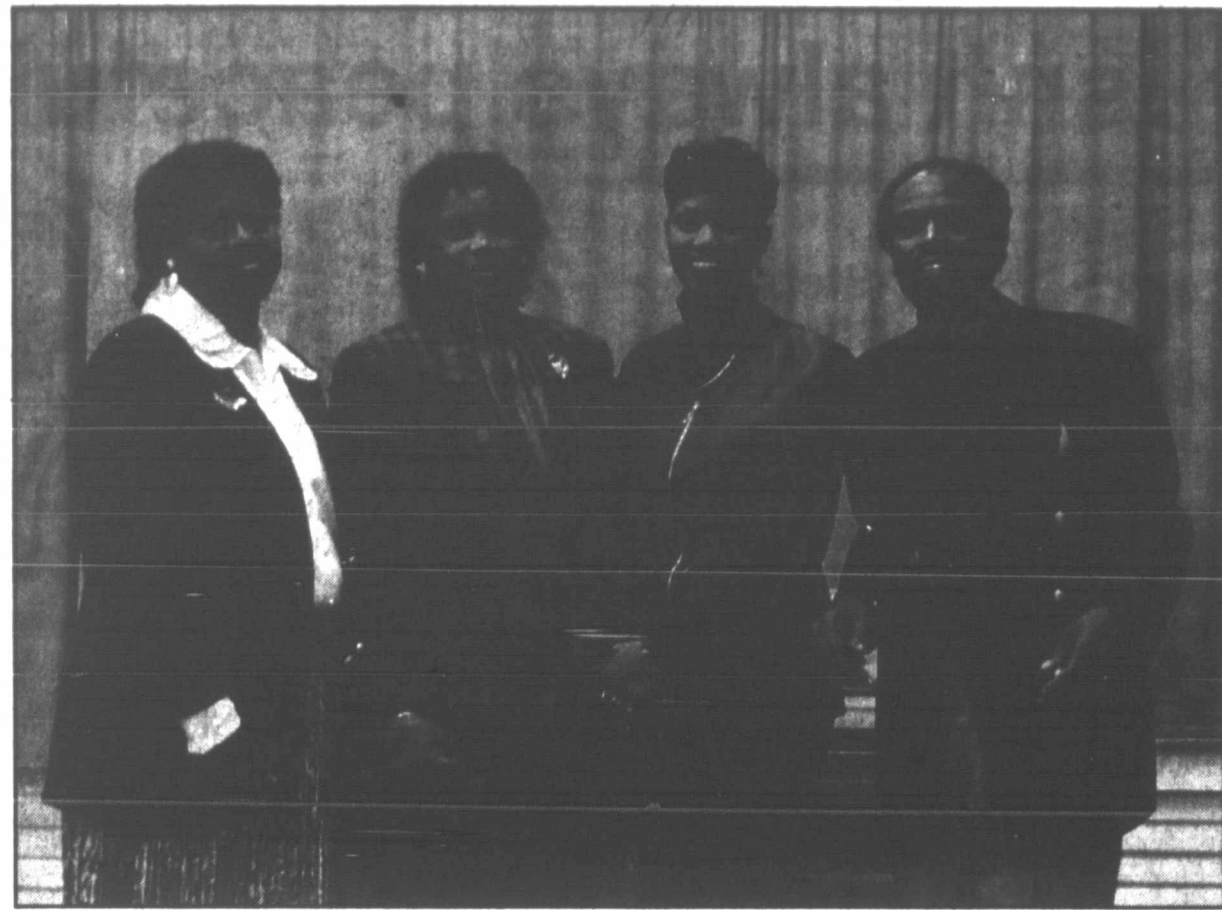
THE NEW Scenti-mental Roses are in, blooming shrubs, bedding plants, trees, spring flower bulbs and more are also in at Watson's Feed & Garden, Hwy. 60 East, 665-4189. Adv.

KATCH-UM BAIT SHOP 665-4732, west on Hwy. 60. Water Dogs. Adv.

ENGRAVED GARDEN Stones, table fountains, birdhouses, sundials, designer mailboxes, water cans, garden turtles and frogs all at Watson's Feed & Garden! Adv.

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(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

Officers of the Pampa Branch of the NAACP are, from left, Matrilyn Echols, treasurer; Barbara Patrick, secretary; Verslia Newkirk, vice president; and the Rev. I.L. Patrick, president.

Air Force holds slim hope for missing pilot as search continues into second week

EAGLE, Colo. (AP) — The search has been fruitless — grim days of jets and helicopters flying over the snowy Colorado mountains in a grueling attempt to find a missing Air Force plane and its pilot.

Yet the military says there is a slim chance that Capt. Craig Button is alive, nearly two weeks after his plane vanished.

"We think he was with the aircraft," Col. Denver Pletcher said Monday. "We're hoping he's still with it and alive."

But after more than 200 flights over the snow-covered peaks and wooded valleys southwest of Vail, there has been no sign of the \$9 million warplane, the four bombs it was carrying or its pilot.

The Air Force said it would look at another possible crash site today after prospector's equipment detected "things like aluminum and iron."

Two Army UH-60L Blackhawk helicopters especially suited for high altitude work have joined the search, ferrying ground search teams to the rugged terrain on 12,500-foot New York Mountain.

"It's a very rough area, lots of peaks, lots of deep valleys," said Dick Dixon, owner of Dixon's Outfitters in nearby Avon. "The eastern portion, because of avalanche danger and steepness, is very difficult."

Also joining the search was an SR-71 Blackbird, a spy plane with highly sensitive radar that can fly high enough to see the curvature of the Earth.

Air Force officials initially doubted Button bailed out because the ejection seat automatically sends out a homing beacon. But pilots have the option of switching off the beacon because it sends out a signal that could be intercepted by the enemy in wartime.

"The pilot could manually disable the ejector seat beacon," Capt. Mike Richmond said, reiterating what Air Force officials said a week ago.

Button, 32, and his A-10 Thunderbolt disappeared April 2 during a practice run in Arizona. Radar data and witness accounts indicate he broke away from his

formation and flew to Colorado — about 800 miles off course — and Air Force officials said they don't know why.

The Air Force has said Button had made many cross-country flying trips during his training and they may have involved stops in Colorado; he has a brother in Denver.

Military investigators have also been looking into Button's background in hopes of finding an explanation. The probe includes the Air Force's Office of Special Investigations, which typically handles criminal matters such as fraud and counterintelligence.

But Lt. Gen. Frank Campbell, who handles the media briefings in this small town 30 miles west of Vail, said the investigation had found "no derogatory evidence" about Button's past.

"There is no evidence there that he is anything but a model U.S. Air Force officer," Campbell said.

Button's family has denied reports that their son appeared despondent after they visited him last month.

Utilities deregulation taken up in House committee

AUSTIN (AP) — After the Senate version of a bill that would deregulate electric utilities stalled in committee last week, the measure tried to find life in a House committee.

"I guess somebody's got to convince me that we need a bill," said Rep. Mark Stiles, D-Beaumont, the

author of the House deregulation bill.

"I'm certainly open to suggestions," he said. "To this point, there have been no good faith negotiations (among utilities). It's been their way or the highway and I'm not driving."

On Monday, the House State

Affairs Committee heard testimony, but took no action, on Stiles' deregulation bill.

Representatives of investor-owned utilities, large industrial customers, municipally-owned utilities, cooperatives and power marketers spent last week discussing points of a bill filed by Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena.

The sides could not agree on such subjects as stranded investments — the difference between the cost of building a power plant and its value in a competitive market.

"Last summer, I tried to work with them," Stiles said. "They didn't want to talk and now the utilities are screaming for a bill because the PUC is doing their job."

Pampan celebrates ten years as an area Hospice volunteer

By DEE DEE LARAMORE

As the nation observes National Volunteer Week, April 13-19, Evelyn McPeak of Pampa celebrates 10 years of donating her time and talents to Hospice of the Panhandle, a local not-for-profit organization which provides care for persons with limited life expectancies and their families.

In April 1987, McPeak completed the first hospice volunteer training class conducted in this area. She was among more than 30 local residents who attended the class, many of whom helped create Hospice of the Panhandle and who are still actively involved with the organization.

McPeak assists Hospice staff by putting together the many forms and papers required for new patient charts, her characteristic whistle filling the air as she works.

Other veteran Hospice of the Panhandle volunteers who celebrate 10 years with the organization in April include Majaunta Hills, Lloyd Laramore, Bernadita Rodriguez and Sally Stringer, all of Pampa. Long-time Hospice volunteers who will also observe 10-year anniversaries during 1997 include Martha Campbell, Sherri Griggs and Katy Wilde, all of Pampa, and Sharon Haynes of McLean.

"While it is common knowledge that Hospice of the Panhandle provides a special kind of care for terminally-ill persons and their families, it is less widely known that without volunteers, this organization could not function," explained Sherry McCavit, executive director.

The United States government



Evelyn McPeak

recognizes the importance of volunteers in the delivery of hospice care by requiring that Medicare-approved hospices, such as Hospice of the Panhandle, utilize volunteers from their community for at least five percent of the total client hours spent by all paid hospice and contract staff, McCavit explained.

Hospice cares for terminally-ill patients with the goal of providing relief from pain, control of symptoms and support for their family. Hospice seeks neither to hasten nor prolong the dying process and addresses the physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs of patients and their families.

Volunteers are an integral part of the Hospice team which includes a physician, nurse, social worker, therapist, spiritual caregiver, home

health aide and homemaker. Hospice of Panhandle, with offices in Pampa and Borger, relies on its 110 trained volunteers from throughout the northeast Texas Panhandle to provide direct care to patients and families as well as assistance at many levels of administration.

"Volunteering for Hospice differs from other community work," McCavit says. "For example, Hospice patient-care volunteers are required to undergo an extensive 30-hour training program before being allowed to work directly with a patient or family. We encourage all our volunteers to go through this training. Afterwards, each volunteer must find the place where they fit best — whether it is with patients or in administration as Evelyn (McPeak) has done."

"Often the most important thing our volunteers can do is just 'be there' for our patients — to reassure them they are not alone, to hold a hand, to offer a smile or just listen," she added.

"It is not easy work, but the personal rewards are enormous. The strength and courage of patients provide a constant source of inspiration. Our volunteers tell us they usually feel they gain more than they have ever been able to give," she said.

"We want to thank all our volunteers for the wealth of time and compassion they freely give to our community. We truly couldn't do what we do without them," McCavit said.

Anyone wishing to learn more about volunteering for Hospice of the Panhandle or about hospice care in general, may contact McCavit or Janet McCracken, volunteer coordinator, at (806) 665-6677.

Inmate executed after 20 years on death row

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Almost 22 years after a disabled 62-year-old Houston woman was fatally beaten with a frying pan, the man convicted of killing her was put to death.

Billy Joe Woods, 50, who was sixth in seniority among the state's 456 condemned inmates, received lethal injection Monday evening for the October 1975 killing of Mabel Ehatt after breaking into her apartment.

Woods refused to make a final statement and had little reaction to the injection, coughing twice and gasping twice before he stopped breathing.

Death came at 6:30 p.m. CDT, eight minutes after the lethal dose began.

Woods became the fifth Texas inmate to be executed this year and the third this month.

While the average time on death row before execution in Texas is nine years, Woods, with nearly 20 years and nine months on death row, becomes the longest-serving Texas inmate to be put to death.

At the time of the murder, Woods had recently been released from a Louisiana prison after serving about five years of a 15-year term for sexual assault. He was arrested at the murder scene by police who had been summoned by neighbors reporting a disturbance at Ms. Ehatt's home. The woman needed

a walker to get around and was suffering from cancer, court records showed.

The victim's hair was found on his clothing. He was caught trying to steal the woman's television set and also was carrying her bracelet and a bottle of her pain medication.

Woods was 29 at the time of the murder and became the first person sentenced to death in Harris County under the law that reinstated the death penalty in Texas.

"It's more relief than frustration," Bert Graham, who prosecuted the 1976 trial, said. "I'm used to waiting prolonged periods of time for finality to capital murder cases but this is longer than most. I'm just glad it's over."

Of the 112 men executed in Texas, he's the 41st convicted from Harris County. Another 133 men and four women convicted of capital murder in the county are sitting on death row. The Harris County totals far outdistance other Texas counties.

Woods' case languished in the courts while judges wrestled with appeals that primarily concerned whether testimony from a psychiatrist should have been allowed at his trial. Defense lawyers argued unsuccessfully that Woods was given insufficient warnings that information he gave the psychiatrist could be used against him during the punishment phase of his trial.

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Opinion

Court reaffirms equal rights

It is highly unusual for the Supreme Court in its current configuration to issue a unanimous decision. The fact that its decision to allow farmers and ranchers, who claim to have been adversely affected by the manner and means the government chose to enforce the Endangered Species Act, to sue the government was unanimous indicates serious opposition to the lower-court decision the justices overturned.

Small wonder. The earlier decision, by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, essentially said that the only people who could file "citizen suits," which the law specifically authorized, were self-styled environmentalists who were demanding stronger use of state power.

Those who claimed that heavy-handed, wrong-headed or illegal use of the Endangered Species Act by bureaucrats had harmed them were out of luck.

The background is interesting. During a 1992 drought, the government cut off irrigation water to farms and ranches near Lost River in Oregon, saying the reason was to protect two species of fish — the lost river sucker and the shortnose sucker — listed as endangered. Farmers, ranchers and several irrigation districts tried to sue, claiming they had to kill cattle and watch crops die, because of an action whose impact on or importance to the two species in question was unknown at best. It all cost them about \$75 million.

The Ninth Circuit not only declined to accept the suit, it promulgated a doctrine that said only people who wished to strengthen enforcement actions — certified "good citizens" presumably — could sue. And, those who criticized any aspect of the law were outside the "zone of interests to be protected or regulated." The decision comported with the Clinton administration's desire to have a "one-way" interpretation of the law.

That would appear a clear cut violation of the principle of equal protection under the law. If the precedent had been allowed to stand or expand, almost nobody adversely affected by regulatory decisions would have had standing to sue or question those decisions, no matter how great the harm or how arbitrary the decision.

The decision doesn't provide any reform of the Endangered Species Act or the often haphazard way it is enforced. That will be up to Congress. But it does eliminate a pesky precedent that could have led to serious injustice down the road.

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Democracy isn't always peaceful

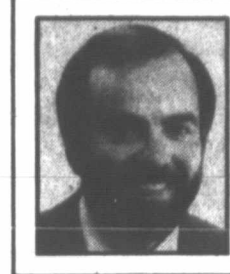
We all believe the spread of democracy is a good thing, and we assume we know why: because it promotes peace. President Clinton's 1994 State of the Union address contained a sentiment that has become part of the foreign policy wallpaper: "Democracies don't attack each other ... Ultimately the best strategy to ensure our security and to build a durable peace is to support the advance of democracy elsewhere."

Since 1816, we are told, no democracy has ever gone to war against another. The human rights watchdog Freedom House recently echoed Clinton in claiming that the proliferation of self-government prevents conflict. Therefore, it said, "strengthening fragile and emerging democracies should be a focal point of American foreign policy."

It has been, particularly in recent years. This belief justified the Gulf War, pressure on China to liberalize, efforts to expand NATO to include the new Eastern European democracies, and U.S. aid to Boris Yeltsin. It is deployed by interventionists and foreign-aid advocates at every turn, and it is never disputed.

But is it correct? The best that can be said for the theory that democracy promotes peace is that it is unproven. And there is considerable evidence to suggest it is wrong. The answer matters, because it will determine whether the sacrifices Americans make to foster self-government abroad are worthwhile — and whether the world of the future will be turbulent or serene.

It is certainly true that in the postwar era, the advanced democracies have been staunch allies. During the bitterest disputes between the United States and Japan, the weapons have never gone beyond import quotas. Even age-old foes like France and Germany have enjoyed unbroken concord. The only enemies they had to fear were the communist states to the East —



Stephen Chapman

which have vanished, taking the threat with them.

The question is how to explain the novel absence of war in Europe, which had sponsored so much slaughter before. The "democratic peace" theory says that free countries feel a deep kinship based on shared values, making war among them unthinkable.

But University of Chicago political scientist John Mearsheimer has argued that what bound Europe's democracies together for all those years were two brutal realities: the immense Soviet threat, which forced them to unite for self-preservation, and the advent of nuclear weapons, which obliged them to defer to the leadership of the United States.

In a world of two opposing superpowers capable of incinerating anyone they chose, American allies in Europe could not afford — and were not allowed — to indulge their differences. With the Soviet Union gone and nuclear war no longer a shadow over the continent, that may change. Over time, old antagonisms may resurface, and the United States may no longer be prepared to suppress them.

But those possibilities so far lie in the realm of theory. In the fall issue of *International Security*, a journal published by the Harvard Center for

Science and International Affairs, two scholars look at the realm of experience — all the democracies that never fought each other in the past. They conclude that too much has been made of a record that is not as spotless as we think.

Foreign policy writer Christopher Layne looks at several instances when democracies came to the brink of war (such as France and Britain in 1898) and finds that their form of government had nothing to do with the retreat. World War I, in any case, may be a big exception to the rule: In terms of its foreign policy decision-making, he says, Kaiser Wilhelm's Germany was no less democratic than France or Britain.

Layne argues that if a link exists between democracy and peace, the "democratic peace" theory gets it backward. Countries that enjoy great security — the United States today, Britain a century ago — can afford to be liberal. Those that face many threats may turn to dictators to make it easier to mobilize for national survival.

David Spiro of the University of Arizona at Tucson goes back to 1816, when the supposedly perfect record of democracies began, and finds that it isn't perfect after all: Democratic Finland fought against the Allies in World War II, the Union and the Confederacy fought our Civil War, the United States defeated a democratic Philippine government in 1899. He says the rarity of war between democracies is probably the result of simple chance — as meaningless as Spiro's continual failure to win the lottery.

The idea that free countries have an important bond is obviously true. But in the anarchy that prevails in today's international arena, every nation is increasingly on its own for security. Democratic ideals look like irresistible forces. In a Darwinian world of competition for survival, however, self-interest may be more powerful still.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, April 15, the 105th day of 1997. There are 260 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 15, 1947, Jackie Robinson, modern baseball's first black major-league player, made his official debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers on opening day. (The Dodgers defeated the Boston Braves, 5-3.)

On this date:

In 1817, the first American school for the deaf opened in Hartford, Conn.

In 1850, the city of San Francisco was incorporated.

In 1861, three days after the attack on Fort Sumter, S.C., President Lincoln declared a state of insurrec-

tion and called out Union troops.

In 1865, President Lincoln died, several hours after he was shot at Ford's Theater in Washington by John Wilkes Booth. Andrew Johnson became the nation's 17th president.

In 1912, the British luxury liner Titanic sank in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland, less than three hours after striking an iceberg. About 1,500 people died.

In 1945, during World War II, British and Canadian troops liberated the Nazi concentration camp Bergen-Belsen.

In 1959, Cuban leader Fidel Castro arrived in Washington, D.C., to begin a goodwill tour of the United States.

In 1986, the United States launched

an air raid against Libya in response to the bombing of a discotheque in Berlin on April 5; Libya says 37 people, mostly civilians, were killed.

In 1989, 95 people died in a crush of soccer fans at Hillsborough Stadium in Sheffield, England.

In 1990, actress Greta Garbo died in New York at age 84.

Ten years ago: A jury in Northampton, Mass., found Amy Carter, Abbie Hoffman and 13 other protesters innocent of charges stemming from a demonstration against CIA recruiters at the University of Massachusetts.

Five years ago: Russia's deeply divided Congress of People's Deputies formally endorsed

President Boris Yeltsin's economic reforms. Countries barred Libyan jets from their airspace and ordered diplomats to go home because of Libya's refusal to turn over suspects in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. Hotel magnate Leona Helmsley began serving a prison sentence for tax evasion (she was released from prison after 18 months).

One year ago: President Clinton began a weeklong, round-the-world trip, heading for a three-day visit to Japan after a brief stopover in Cheju, South Korea. Funeral services were held in Pescadero, Calif., for Jessica Dubroff, the 7-year-old girl who died trying to become the youngest person to fly across America.

U.S. should shun Chinese business

Charley Reese

The Clinton administration seems to be under the impression that the U.S. government and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce are one and the same organization.

Albert Gore, gone to China in search of a photo opportunity, seems to think it's a great accomplishment that two deals between giant corporations and the Chinese government are announced during his trip. The deals, of course, were cut long before he arrived.

These deals involve General Motors building an automobile plant in China. That is of no benefit to the American people. It will likely mean a loss of American jobs. The other deal was the purchase of a few airplanes from Boeing. Fine, but what does Boeing's marketing department have to do with our government?

It so happens that it is not the duty of the federal government to peddle products or broker deals. It is the duty of the federal government to establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare (of the people of the United States, not China) and secure liberty.

Boeing's sales promote Boeing's welfare, and GM cutting a deal with the Chinese to hire their virtual slave labor promotes nobody's welfare but that of the big GM stockholders.

But Gore, who is a sorry excuse for a would-be leader, thinks it's so neat that the Communist gov-

ernment, for its own selfish reasons, cut a couple of deals with big business that he toasted the man who organized the Tiananmen Square massacre. He schmoozed it up with the government that is guilty of genocide in Tibet.

Now, harken back to the days of the 1992 presidential campaign. What were Clinton and Gore criticizing George Bush for? Why, for not being tough on China's human rights record. Their criticism, of course, was a lie because from Day One in office they acted exactly the same as Bush had acted toward China. That is, they did what American big business told them to do: Don't interfere with the practice of hiring China's cheap labor.

That's no surprise. Gore is a worldclass hypocrite. I saw his tearful speech about his sister's death and how that inspired his zeal to fight evil tobacco. That performance was as phony as a sillicone breast. After his sister's death, Gore was out campaigning in tobacco country, boasting to tobacco farmers how he himself had worked on the family tobacco farm.

Well, what would promote the general welfare of the American people, besides retiring phonies like Gore to private life?

What if ... it had been a close election?

Just how important are the political money scandals now swirling around Washington? And who's to blame?

The polls report that most Americans think the scandals are not very important. Yawn, say the respondents, it stinks to high heaven, but everyone does it. Anyway these Clintonistas were enthusiastic, not evil — improper, not illegal — so stop hassling them.

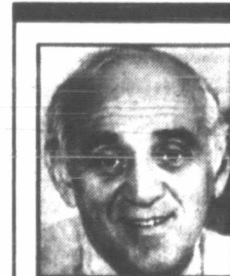
There is some validity to that. Political Washington has never been a gathering of choirboys. Stuff happens, even to well meaning people.

But there is another way of looking at it. Suppose Bill Clinton had not beaten Bob Dole by eight percent of the vote in 1996, but by one percent. Such a result, after all, has not been so unusual in American political history: John Kennedy and Richard Nixon each won the presidency by less than one percentage point. Jimmy Carter won by two percentage points.

If our last election had been so close, what would the story line be now?

The big one would be politicicide. If some Clinton-Gore money was raised illegally, did that money move enough votes to change the election result? Shorthand: Did Clinton steal the presidency? If that were the question, the country would be up in arms. Political scientists call such a citizen tantrum "a crisis of legitimacy." Over the course of history, such turmoil has at times toppled governments and ruined nations.

A second story line would be journacide. Where were the bloodhounds of the press? Almost a thousand people went nighty-night at Motel 1600, many of whom were potential or actual big campaign contributors. That became a big story after the election, pursued by a press corps that grew up on the Watergate-Woodward



Ben Wattenberg

mantra of Follow The Money. But wouldn't it have been a big story before the election? If it had been covered by the press earlier, could it have changed the arithmetic of the vote to some degree?

Likely. Toward the very end of the 1996 campaign, the John Huang stories about alleged illegal foreign campaign contributions did finally hit the media, and Clinton's lead in the polls shrunk from about 13% to about eight percent in the actual election.

Why so little coverage so late? Dick Morris' astute plan to buy \$20 million worth of television commercials went into effect 18 months before the election. It is said that the early Democratic television advertising "traveled beneath the radar." Why? Because it didn't play in Washington, D.C., New York City or Los Angeles. Hah! Heretofore it was thought that the political press covered politics in America, not just in three media markets. Rip Van Reporter, wake up and smell the money that bought the commercials!

(Of course, while all this was going on, Clinton was wisely and profitably changing his political bearings. And Republicans were figuring out wondrous new ways to self-destruct.)

Third story line: Republicans. Their adversaries

were spending \$20 million for television commercials accusing the GOP of pushing Grandma into the street. The commercials dramatically raised Clinton's approval ratings. (Recall, Clinton was running behind Dole in the pairing polls in early 1995.) Did the Republicans not wonder about where the advertising money was coming from? Like from China?

Lots of questions. The key operational one is: Were there actual illegalities in addition to gross improprieties? The key substantive one remains: How important is it? If it would be important in a one-point race, why isn't it important in an eight-point race? The principle is the same, and the Clintonistas were acting as if it could be a one-point campaign. Moreover, some or all of the eight-point final margin came about from the edge Clinton had piled up by spending the possibly illegal money.

How important is it? Compare it to a president accused of stealing money (Harding) or abusing power (Nixon). Is stealing an election more important than stealing money? You betcha. Elections are what give the American system legitimacy. It's what we sell when we tell other nations that democracy yields a more prosperous, more free and more peaceful way of life for all. Is stealing an election more important than abusing power? Well, power can't be abused in a democracy until it is gained by election victory.

It's very important even if the participants didn't quite understand what they were doing. In fact, it may be worse. Stolen elections and abused power commingle when the perps say that it was so important because those brutish conservatives would have taken over if Clinton didn't win. There is a word for that — the one that Nixon and Oliver North were accused of: zealotry. That's important.

'Anaconda' outshines 'Liar, Liar' at box office

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The thriller *Anaconda* reigned as the nation's most popular film, earning \$16.6 million in its debut weekend to push Jim Carrey's *Liar, Liar* out of the top spot at the box office.

Anaconda, about scientist-munching killer snakes in the Amazon, was about the only new special-effects film on the marquee because studios are saving other big-budget spectacles for summer. The film stars Jennifer Lopez of *Selena* and rapper Ice Cube.

Liar Liar, about a lawyer forced to tell the truth for 24 hours, grossed \$14.5 million and now has earned \$120 million in four weeks.

Tim Allen's comedy *Jungle 2 Jungle* also showed staying power, earning \$2.2 million for seventh place in its sixth week.

The only other film to debut in the top ten was *Grosse Pointe Blank*, a black comedy about a hit man (John Cusack) trying to quit the business while attending his high school reunion. It was in fourth place with \$6.9 million behind *The Saint*, which had \$10.8 million, according to Exhibitor Relations Co., Inc.

The Devil's Own, a drama about the relationship between Irish gunrunner Brad Pitt and Irish-American cop Harrison Ford, was in fifth place with \$4.2 million.

That Old Feeling, with Bette Midler as a divorcee who finds herself adulterously drawn to her ex, grossed \$3.5 million for sixth place.

The action film, *Double Team*, starring Jean-Claude Van Damme and basketball star Dennis

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Top weekend movies		
Weekend of April 11-13, 1997		
All dollar figures in millions		
	Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens	Weekend gross
1	<i>Anaconda</i> \$16.6, one week, 2,456 screens	\$16.6
2	<i>Liar, Liar</i> \$120, four weeks, 2,880 screens	\$14.5
3	<i>The Saint</i> \$31.4, two weeks, 2,448 screens	\$10.8
4	<i>Grosse Pointe Blank</i> \$6.9, one week, 1,227 screens	\$6.9
5	<i>The Devil's Own</i> \$35.5, three weeks, 2,355 screens	\$4.2
6	<i>That Old Feeling</i> \$3.5, two weeks, 1,599 screens	\$3.5
7	<i>Jungle 2 Jungle</i> \$51.8, six weeks, 1,781 screens	\$2.2
8	<i>Double Team</i> \$6.4, 2 weeks, 2,203 screens	\$2.1
9	<i>Scream</i> \$88.8, 17 weeks, 1,270 screens	\$2
10	<i>Selena</i> \$30.5, four weeks, 992 screens	\$1.8

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co., Inc. AP

Rodman, was in eighth place with \$2.1 million, a 58 percent drop in its grosses from the previous week.

The horror film *Scream* came in ninth with \$2 million. *Selena* was 10th with \$1.8 million.

The *Star Wars* trilogy finally dropped off the Top 10 list. The last installment, *Return of the Jedi*, had \$1.66 million for 12th place.

Inventing the Abbotts, a 1950s coming-of-age film, also dropped off the list in just its second week despite good reviews and the presence of young heartthrobs

Liv Tyler and Joaquin Phoenix. Several films debuted in limited release.

Paradise Road, starring Glenn Close in a drama about women prisoners of the Japanese during World War II, grossed \$62,518 while the murder mystery *Keys to Tulsa* earned \$28,318. *Cosi*, an Australian comedy about mental patients putting on a production of a Mozart opera, grossed \$19,245.

And the re-issue of the John Waters bad-taste classic *Pink Flamingos* did \$70,188 worth of business.

The top 20 movies at North American theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. and Entertainment Data Inc.:

1. *Anaconda*, Sony, \$16.6 million, 2,456 locations, \$6,767 average, one week.

2. *Liar Liar*, Universal, \$14.5 million, 2,880 locations, \$5,030 average, \$120 million, four weeks.

3. *The Saint*, Paramount, \$10.8 million, 2,449 locations, \$4,413 average, \$31.4 million, two weeks.

4. *Grosse Pointe Blank*, Disney, \$6.9 million, 1,227 locations, \$5,599 average, one week.

5. *The Devil's Own*, Sony, \$4.2 million, 2,355 locations, \$1,775 average, \$35.6 million, three weeks.

6. *That Old Feeling*, Universal, \$3.5 million, 1,599 locations, \$2,165 average, \$10.1 million, two weeks.

7. *Jungle 2 Jungle*, Disney, \$2.2 million, 1,751 locations, \$1,270 average, \$51 million, six weeks.

8. *Double Team*, Sony, \$2.1 million, 2,203 locations, \$957 average, \$8.4 million, two weeks.

9. *Scream*, Miramax, \$2 million, 1,270 locations, \$1,587 average, \$88.8 million, 17 weeks.

10. *Selena*, Warner Bros., \$1.8 million, 992 locations, \$1,824 average, \$30.5 million, four weeks.

11. *The Sixth Man*, Disney, \$1.70 million, 1,185 locations, \$1,439 average, \$11.2 million, three weeks.

12. *Return of the Jedi*, Fox, \$1.66 million, 996 locations, \$1,669 average, \$42.1 million, five weeks.

13. *Inventing the Abbotts*, Fox, \$1.33 million, 898 locations, \$1,482 average, \$4.3 million, two weeks.

14. *The English Patient*, Miramax, \$1.27 million, 1,005 locations, \$1,264 average, \$73 million, 22 weeks.

15. *Sling Blade*, Miramax, \$1.1 million, 763 locations, \$1,430 average, \$20 million, 20 weeks.

16. *Jerry Maguire*, Sony, \$702,018, 710 locations, \$989 average, \$148.2 million, 18 weeks.

17. *Dante's Peak*, Universal, \$700,480, 704 locations, \$995 average, \$64.1 million, 10 weeks.

18. *Turbo: A Power Rangers Movie*, Fox, \$648,814, 982 locations, \$661 average, \$7.2 million, three weeks.

19. *BAPS*, New Line, \$553,490 million, 643 locations, \$861 average, \$6.4 million, three weeks.

20. *Michael*, New Line, \$484,553, 494 locations, \$981 average, \$93.8 million, 16 weeks.

Red River rises again bringing more hardship for North Dakota residents

HICKSON, N.D. (AP) — Jackie Crawford's mittened hand popped up instinctively to wave as the air boat skimmed over ice-crusted floodwater toward her Victorian home.

Aboard the boat was her salvation: a new water pump. The crew offered to haul it to her house, fortified behind a dike of sandbags and plywood.

"You guys are lifesavers," she said smiling, as U.S. Coast

Guardsman Darryl Lewis delicately unloaded the pump. "We've got to get the new pump in or we're going to lose the basement."

Crawford, her husband and daughter are among the few residents left in this rural development near Hickson, south of Fargo. The roads are gone, swallowed by up to ten feet of floodwater, with only the tops of young fruit trees left to mark where yards once were.

While the city of Fargo has remained mostly dry, many rural areas like Hickson are still flooded.

And to make matters worse, the Red River crept up again Monday in Fargo, reaching its highest point this century and stirring new jitters for weary residents who thought the threat had moved on.

The National Weather Service said that contrary to its earlier reports, the Red did not crest on

Saturday and could continue to rise through the week. The agency blamed an automatic gauge that malfunctioned and gave a false reading, the second such mishap in less than a week.

"People were almost euphoric thinking the worst was over," said Fargo's operations manager, Dennis Walaker as he prepared to check the river by helicopter. "I still feel that's the case, but we have to stay alert."

State briefs

Bill would stop tax breaks to businesses

AUSTIN (AP) — School districts lose millions of dollars by giving businesses tax breaks, according to Texas senators who want to end the practice.

"It is not right for a business to demand an educated workforce, yet also demand tax breaks that create a hardship on the local school district," said Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco.

His bill, approved Monday by the Senate and sent to the House, would prevent school districts from giving new property tax exemptions or taking part in new tax increment financing plans after Sept. 1.

Under a tax increment financing plan, which can be initiated by a city, a portion of taxes paid by a property owner is put into a fund used for improvements benefiting the property. For example, property taxes may be used to pay for a mall parking lot.

School districts would be able to honor agreements approved before Sept. 1, but they could not increase their level of financial participation in the deals after the law takes effect. The bill, which was approved on a non-record vote, goes to the House for consideration.

House repeals helmet law for most adult riders

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas mandatory motorcycle helmet could be hitting the road soon.

The Texas House is expected to give final approval today to a bill repealing the law for riders 21 and older. The bill, which Gov. George W. Bush says he likely will sign, would have to go back to the Senate to consider House changes.

The Senate author, Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, on Monday said he could live with the changes.

"It's about the right to choose for yourself whether to wear a helmet," Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, House sponsor of the bill, said Monday. "It's all about freedom."

The House on Monday gave first-round approval to the bill. It also removed a Senate requirement that motorcycle riders who don't wear helmets carry \$10,000 in additional health insurance. It also removed a Senate provision that no state funds used to treat people with spinal cord and head injuries could be spent on motorcycle riders hurt while not wearing helmets.

Military rejects cadet's rape claim, expulsion possible

NEW YORK (AP) — A West Point cadet from Texas may face expulsion after military investigators rejected her rape accusation against a male cadet and instead ruled the two had consensual sex.

Cadet Su Jin Collier, 19, could be kicked out if she is found guilty during a hearing Thursday of having sex on campus, which is considered sexual misconduct by the Army.

Collier, a second-year student from El Paso, Texas, said Monday that she wants to remain at the academy even though it is the second sexual attack she has reported there.

Collier's attorney, Alen Beerman, said an upperclassman was expelled in 1995 after an investigation found he "exerted his position of authority" over Collier and committed a "rape of duress."

West Point spokeswoman Andrea Hamburger said no one had been expelled for rape, but confirmed that upperclassmen have been thrown out for having sex with subordinates, which is prohibited.

House kills effort to nix parent-taught driver's ed

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas parents still can teach their children how to

drive after the state House killed a bill to abolish such teaching.

State lawmakers in 1995 approved a program allowing parents to teach their children a driving course approved by the Department of Public Safety.

The program went into effect last week after the DPS made the course material available.

Parents have to pay \$20 to get the course material. They also must certify that their children attend the required hours of "class" and practice driving a required number of hours before the students can take a DPS written test for a license.

Rep. Keith Oakley, D-Terrell, on Monday said the course was meant only for children taught in home schools.

ALCO CUSTOMERS
The photo of the garden hose shown on page 3 of this week's ad is incorrect, but the copy is correct. The 50 ft. Basic Garden Hose # 8500-50 is on sale for 6.99 not the 100 ft. Garden Hose. The sale is effective thru Sunday, April 20, 1997. We regret any inconvenience. ALCO STORES, INC.

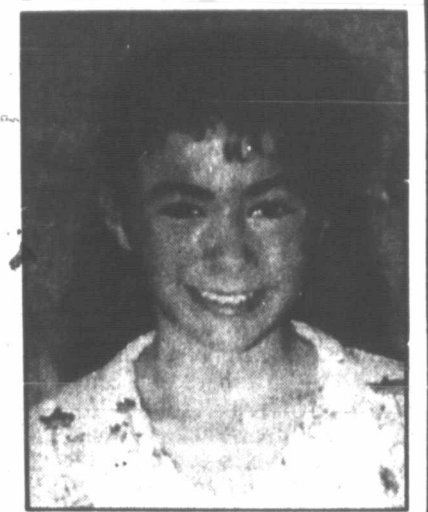
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Home schooler places fifth in Regional Spelling Bee

Gray County Spelling Bee Champion Kendra Raber finished fifth out of 37 in the 1997 Regional Spelling Bee at West Texas A&M University on Saturday, April 5.



Kendra Raber

Contestants, representing counties in the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles, north-eastern New Mexico and south-western Kansas, competed for a chance to participate in the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.

Raber correctly spelled such words as "reverberated," "croup" and "hedgehog" before being eliminated by "incumbency." She and the other contestants received a Webster's College Dictionary.

Christi Baker of Potter County was champion and Mark Birkenfeld of Castro County was runner-up. Baker advances to the National

Spelling Bee in Washington, May 28-29.

Raber is a sixth grade home school student. She represented the Pampa Home Educator's Association in the Gray County Spelling Bee.

Trainees accuse sergeant of rape

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. (AP) — An Army drill sergeant accused of rape was in competition with another sergeant to see who could have sex with the most women, according to court-martial testimony.

Sgt. Delmar Simpson's trial is the first stemming from the Army's investigation into the sex scandal at the Aberdeen weapons-testing center 30 miles northeast of Baltimore.

Two female trainees testified Monday that Simpson raped them in his office in 1995.

A 21-year-old private said she did not report the alleged rape because she didn't want anyone to know. And she said she had heard that Simpson and Sgt. 1st Class Tony Cross, 33, had a competition to see who could have sex with the most women.

"I didn't want to be on his list, either," the private told prosecutor Capt. David Thomas. "He and drill Sgt. Cross had a thing going to see who could get more women."

Investigators suspect three drill sergeants from a different battalion also may have been involved in the competition for sex, *The Washington Post* reported today, citing defense attorneys and a sworn statement.

A 22-year-old specialist, who said Simpson kissed her once uninvited but is not accusing him of rape, also testified she heard talk about sexual competition at the base.

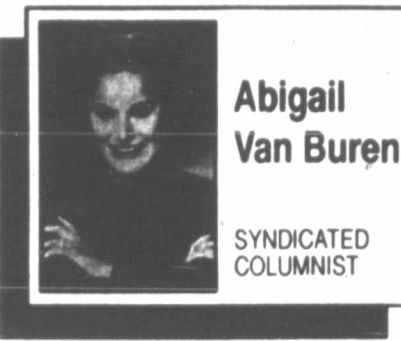
"After the first two weeks, there were already rumors going around about certain people having sex with drill sergeants," she said.

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Men Becoming Women Aren't Trespassing In Ladies' Room

DEAR ABBY: You advised a pre-op transsexual to use the ladies' rest room, and I'll bet you caught heck for it. Abby, people who object to transsexuals using the rest room for the gender they are about to become may not be aware of the following: Male-to-female pre-op transsexuals are required to live as a woman for one year prior to the surgery. This includes obtaining a driver's license in the new gender and name, with a signed form from their endocrinologist. They should not continue to use the men's rest room.



Abigail Van Buren
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

WHOLE PROCESS

A pre-op transsexual has, by virtue of hormones taken, no interest in being in the women's rest room other than to use it. These individuals are doing everything they can to deal with their new identity. A male-to-female pre-op transsexual has, for all intents and purposes, made a permanent commitment and deserves support in this decision.

DEAR WATCHED: I received a slew of mail from women who were outraged at the thought of a male using the women's rest room for any reason. So I did some further research and contacted John Bancroft, M.D., director of the Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender and Reproduction. He said:

"I advise my transsexual or transgendered patients that when they present themselves as women they should use the women's rest room and vice versa. Women should feel no concern about the occasional transgendered person doing this. What such people want more than anything else is to be seen and accepted as a normal female. I provide my gender reassignment patients with a formal 'To Whom It May Concern' letter to carry at all times, explaining that they are in this process of transition — and if there are any questions, to contact me."

I would like to thank you and Dr. Bancroft for your valuable contribution to this column.

DEAR ABBY: My daughter is graduating from high school in May. She is a very special girl who has touched the lives of many people. We would like to extend invitations to these people to attend an open-house party, but we do not want them to feel obligated to bring a gift.

How can we tactfully communicate this message on our invitations?

MINNEAPOLIS MOTHER

DEAR MOTHER: Use the old standby: "Your presence will be our daughter's cherished gift, and we respectfully request no other."

CONFIDENTIAL TO "TO DRESS, OR NOT TO DRESS": The following may help you make your decision: "All women's dresses are merely variations on the eternal struggle between the admitted desire to dress and the unadmitted desire to undress." (Lin Yutang, Chinese philosopher)

Horoscope



Wednesday April 16 1997

Several fascinating relationships may develop for you in the year ahead which will lead to a better way of life. And involvement in matters you feared to tackle previously.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today it might seem like everyone is ganging up on you, even staunch allies. Chances are the problem is the product of your imagination. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for 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.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Acknowledge the accomplishments of others today, but don't let anyone upstage you or attempt to take credit for your achievements.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Though you are not a gullible individual and it is hard for others to pull the wool over your eyes, today you may want to believe what you hear.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Strive to be self-sufficient today. Friends who desire to do you a favor might not be in a position to do so.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Take extra pains to evaluate situations before rendering a decision. Your judgment might not be up to par, so seek the advice of associates.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Humility is a marvelous virtue, but don't belittle yourself today in an unbecoming manner. It is best to let a portion of your pride shine through.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Take care not to overstep your bounds today. You may be too assertive when dealing with the

wrong people under the wrong circumstances at the wrong time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Avoid competitive developments today that require a backup. You might have a hard time trying to marshal the forces needed to rally behind you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You may be pressed to make a judgment today based upon inconclusive information. Avoid deciding until you are certain you have the real facts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A favorite loved one may have money problems today and expect you to bail him or her out. Take care to keep your own spending in check first.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In an endeavor in which you're involved today, you might be the giver while your counterparts are the takers. Demand parity in the arrangement.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Irresponsible acquaintances might try to dump things on you which they should be taking care of. Forewarned is forearmed.



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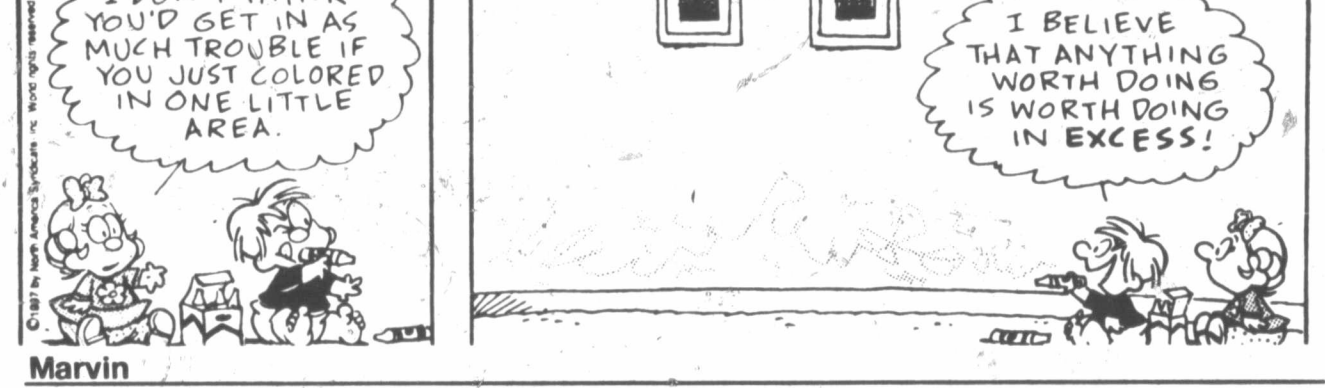
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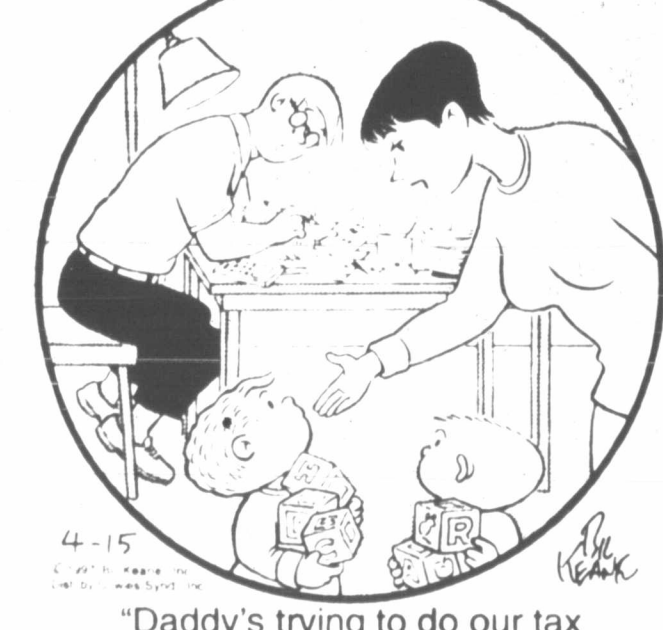
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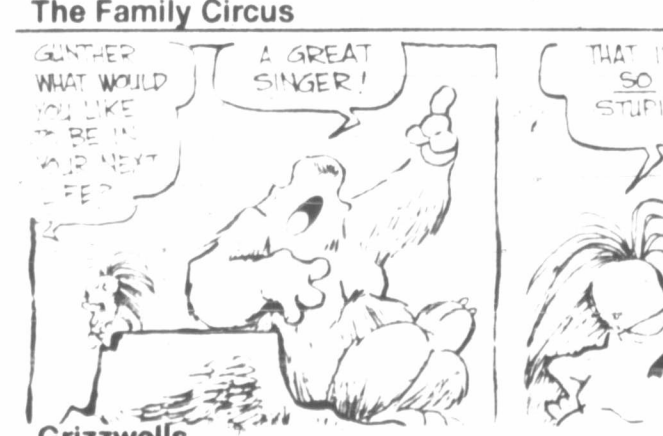
Mellard Filmore



"Daddy's trying to do our tax returns. You guys go play with your H&R blocks."



"Maybe it would be better if you didn't fetch the mail."



The Family Circus



Marmaduke



Grizzwells



Alley Oop



Peanuts



Frank And Ernest

SPORTS

Notebook

SIGNUPS

PAMPA — The Pampa Optimist Youth Club baseball/softball sign ups for ages 6-12 have been extended. Late sign ups will be accepted from 6:45-7:30 p.m., today and Wednesday during tryouts. Sign ups will be limited to team availability.

Tryouts are scheduled from 6-7:30 p.m., April today, Wednesday and Thursday. Leagues requiring tryouts on these dates include 13-15 Babe Ruth, 9-10 and 11-12 Bambino and 10-12 Little League Softball. All players participating in these leagues for the first time must attend two of the three tryouts.

League play will begin the week of May 5 with the annual opening day barbecue and other festivities planned for Saturday, May 10.

For additional information, contact Mike Lancaster at 665-4518 or Ronnie Babcock at 665-1536.

The Pampa Optimist Club is located at 601 E. Craven Street.

TENNIS

AMARILLO — Pampa freshman Emily Waters reached the finals of the District 1-4A girls singles division Monday. She fell to Borger's Jennifer Carlile, 6-1, 1-6, 6-4, for the championship.

Waters advanced to the finals by defeating Canyon's Katie Canon, 6-2, 6-3 in the semifinals. In the other semifinal match, Carlile defeated Pampa's Mandy Wells, 7-6, 6-2.

In boys doubles, Pampa's Kyle Easley and Ryan Witt fell to Dumas' Ross Jones and Bo Ames, 6-1, 6-2, in the semifinal round.

FOOTBALL

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — The San Francisco 49ers have signed restricted free agent Jim Schwantz to an offer sheet, giving the Dallas Cowboys until Friday to match the offer to the linebacker.

Schwantz, a Pro Bowl special teams performer last season, is best remembered by the 49ers for delivering the hit that gave San Francisco quarterback Steve Young his second concussion of the 1996 season.

The 49ers said Monday they had offered Schwantz a four-year deal. Details of the offer were not released. The Cowboys, who face salary cap constraints, may have difficulty matching any offer for Schwantz.

Schwantz can back up at any of the linebacker positions and is a key special teams performer.

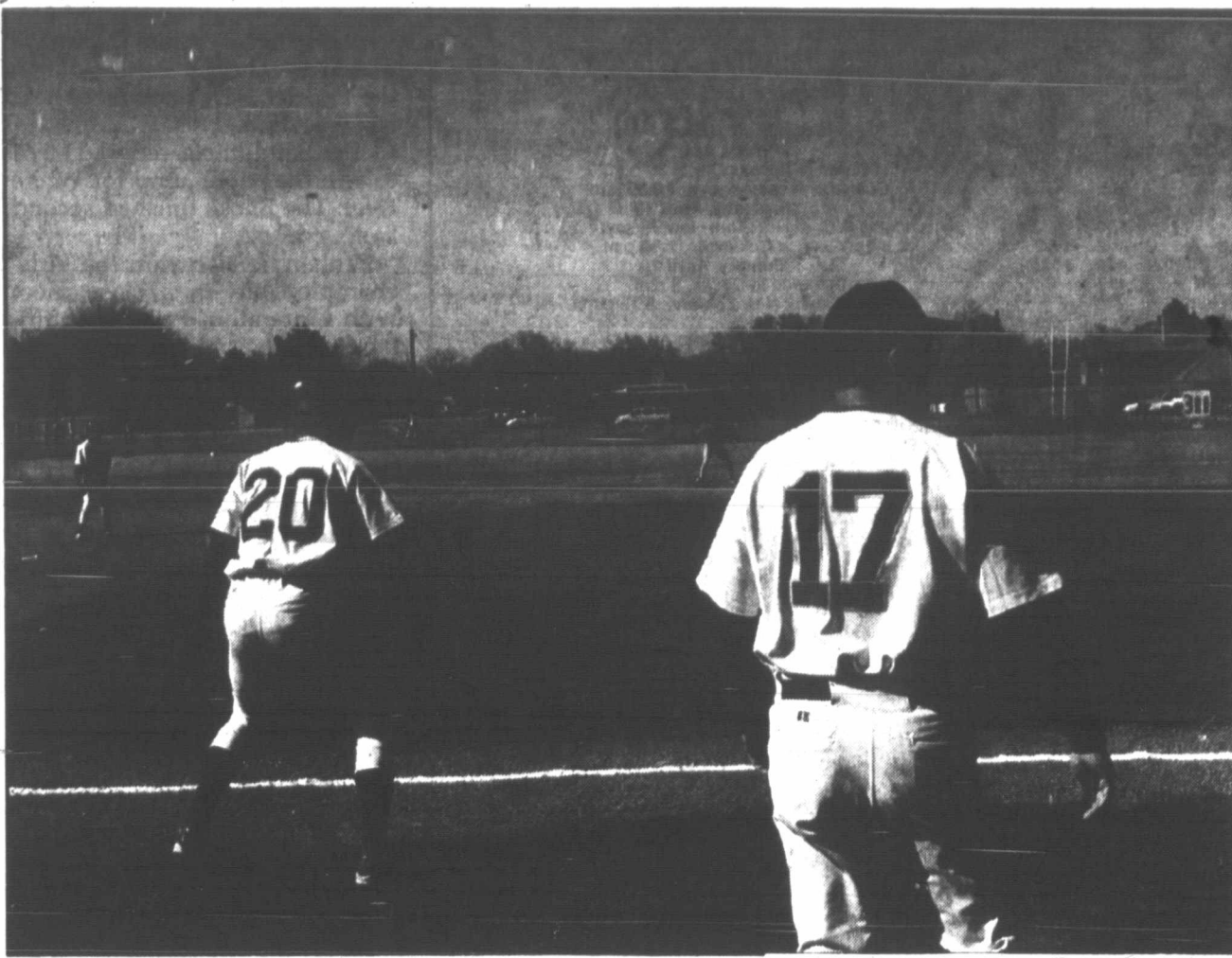
BASEBALL

DALLAS (AP) — Baylor outfielder John Topolski, who went 14-for-24 at the plate for the Bears last week, was selected Monday as the Big 12 Conference Baseball Player of the Week.

Oklahoma right-hander Kevin Olsen, who gave up one run on five hits in a 10-1 win over Kansas State on Sunday, was selected as Big 12 Pitcher of the Week.

Topolski, a sophomore from Houston, had two doubles, two triples, two home runs and eight RBIs as Baylor went 4-1 for the week. He had a career-high six RBIs on five hits against Texas-San Antonio. Later, he went 4-for-6 with a game-winning, 10th-inning double in the Bears' 6-5 win over Missouri.

Olsen, a junior from Norco, Calif., struck out six and walked one in his Sunday outing against Kansas State. The win gave the Sooners a three-game sweep of the Wildcats.



Pampa's Ryan Schumacher (20) leads off third base as head coach Dennis Doughty looks on during the District 1-4A game against Borger Monday.

Harvesters pound Borger in district baseball contest

By MATT HUTCHISON
Sports Writer

PAMPA — After having to postpone twice due to last week's unruly weather, the Pampa Harvesters were finally able to host the Borger Bulldogs in District 1-4A action Monday afternoon at Harvester Field.

The Harvesters desperately needed a win against Borger to remain a district contender and were able to improve to 2-3 in district in a sixth inning victory over the Bulldogs, 16-5.

Pampa started Aaron Whitney on the mound, who went into the game with a 1-2 record and seeing his first district action of the season.

Borger looked unstable early, allowing the Harvesters seven runs and using two different pitchers in only the first inning of the game. Jeremy Knutson started it all off with a walk and scored the first run of the game after an RBI single by Duane King. August Larson had an RBI single.

Following both hits was Josh Blackmon, who kept the engine running, scoring two off a base hit.

The Bulldogs poor defense also helped the Harvesters scored three runs off three errors before Borger was able to put an end to the inning.

After ending the top of the first 1-2-3, Pampa came on the field defensively in the second ready to end the inning quickly. But the Harvesters, whose defense has had problems all season, fell short of the task, allowing Borger to creep back into the game with a four-run inning. Pampa had a hard time controlling certain plays and allowed the Bulldogs to score four runs off only one hit. Pampa committed three errors in the inning.

Pampa took to the plate in the bottom of the second looking to widen the gap.

The Harvesters added two more runs off Borger errors for a five-run lead, 9-4.

Both teams settled down in the third inning and were able to control the game defensively and limit each other's offense.

Borger scored its final run of the game in the fifth inning off one hit before the Harvesters took control of the game yet again in the bottom of the fifth. Scoring three runs off two

hits, the Harvesters increased their lead to seven runs and gave Borger only a slim chance for victory.

Hancock had an RBI double before giving the plate to cleanup hitter Ryan Schumacher, who homered to drive in Hancock.

As if the three runs in the fifth weren't enough, Pampa's strong offense continued in the sixth also, starting off with a Blackmon single.

Shawn Harris hit into a fielder's choice, but was advanced after a walk to Ryan Davis. With the top of the order up, Knutson lined a single to load up the bases for home run threat Jerren Miller.

Miller, batting .380 with two homers, drilled a grand slam home run over the center field fence off Borger pitcher Victor Escobar to end the game.

The Harvesters improve to 2-3 in district and 10-7 overall while the Bulldogs are 2-4 and 10-11-1.

Pampa plays three more games this week to make up for those missed due to the weather.

Greer lifts Rangers by struggling Sox

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — For the last two seasons, Rusty Greer has come through with the big hit when the Texas Rangers needed it most. Nothing has changed.

Greer's two-run homer in the eighth inning gave Texas a 3-1 victory over the struggling Chicago White Sox on Monday night and proved the Rangers still have some pop in their recently listless bats.

"It's a thrill to be able to contribute to a win," said Greer, who since 1985 has won eight games for Texas in its last at-bat — five times with homers.

Bill Ripken almost took the hero's role first, but his long drive to left field barely missed clearing the wall and he wound up with a double.

Greer followed with his first homer of the year, a drive off Wilson Alvarez (0-3) that went several rows into the right-field stands.

The homer was Texas' first in 38 innings. In the third inning, the Rangers ended a drought of 31 innings without an extra-base hit.

For Chicago, the loss continued its disappointing April. The White Sox have lost five of six and are 3-8. Frank Thomas and Albert Belle went a combined 1-for-7, dropping their cumulative average to .211.

"Half the games we've scored five runs or less, and that's just not conducive to winning," Chicago manager Terry Bevington said. "We have a situation where 70 to 80 percent of our guys are starting off slowly from an offensive standpoint. We need to be patient, keep positive and keep swinging the bats."

With both teams having their ace on the mound (Alvarez for Chicago and Ken Hill for Texas), the game already shaped up as a pitchers' duel. The offensive woes of both teams made it even more of one.

Chicago didn't get a runner get past second base after the third inning. The Rangers didn't have more than one hit in an inning until the go-ahead rally.

Hill gave up one run and three hits in seven innings, walked four and struck out three. He didn't come out for the eighth after feeling a twinge in his right elbow.

"It just felt a little tightness and didn't want to take a chance," he said. "I had good stuff tonight. My location got a little better, and we played some good defense. Hopefully, it will give us some momentum."

Rookie Danny Patterson (1-1) replaced him and pitched one inning for his first major-league victory.

Stars in historic season

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Stars have wrapped up one of the most dramatic turnarounds in NHL history, but they don't have time to dwell on their accomplishments.

The Stars know they'll have to prove themselves again in the playoffs, starting Wednesday night when they host the Edmonton Oilers in the opener of the first-round best-of-seven Western Conference series.

"We reached one of our goals, which was to make the playoffs," coach Ken Hitchcock said. "We were a very consistent club, which was our other goal. But this is a whole new game. Everything is magnified."

The Oilers will face a team that improved 38 points over last season, when the Stars failed to make the playoffs and finished last in the Central Division, 65 points behind first-place Detroit.

This season the Stars won the division by 10 points over Detroit, earned 104 points for the best record in the franchise's 30-year history, registered the most road wins in the league (23) and went 10-0-1 at home down the

stretch before losing their final two games at Reunion Arena.

"We turned it around this season, turned a corner," center and top scorer Mike Modano said. "We proved we can beat the top teams in the league. But now the real show starts and we're all looking forward to it. This is what you play for all year."

Modano finished with 35 goals and 48 assists, nine game-winning goals and nine on the power play. But the most impressive part of Modano's game was his commitment to defense, hardly a strong suit during Modano's first seven NHL seasons.

Second-line center Joe Nieuwendyk (30 goals, 51 points) also plays tough in the defensive zone, and Modano's linemate, Finnish right wing Jere Lehtinen, is a top candidate for the Selke Trophy, awarded to the top defensive forward in the league.

Team balance has been the Stars' calling card this season. Hitchcock uses four lines and had 15 players with at least 20 points.

Jackie Robinson remembered

NEW YORK (AP) — Joe Black paused for a moment to collect his thoughts and construct an appropriate response to the question.

"Tuesday night means a lot to me," the old pitcher said. "I live a good life because of a guy named Jackie Robinson. I appreciate everything he did."

Baseball marks the 50th anniversary of Robinson's debut as the first black man to play in the majors tonight at Shea Stadium, with President Clinton speaking during ceremonies in the fifth inning of the game between the Los Angeles Dodgers and New York Mets.

"He's not going to deliver a major speech on race relations standing on the infield at Shea Stadium," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Monday. "He's going to — very briefly — say this is an important historic moment, and it's one that we should remember as we think about the status of race relations in America."

Clinton will recognize another black American's triumph achieved a little over 50 hours ago: Tiger Woods' victory at the Masters.

Woods, however, declined an

invitation from the president to join him for the ceremony.

White House spokeswoman April Mellody said Woods was invited to fly to New York with Clinton, "but after an incredible week he wanted to take some much-deserved time off. The president certainly understands."

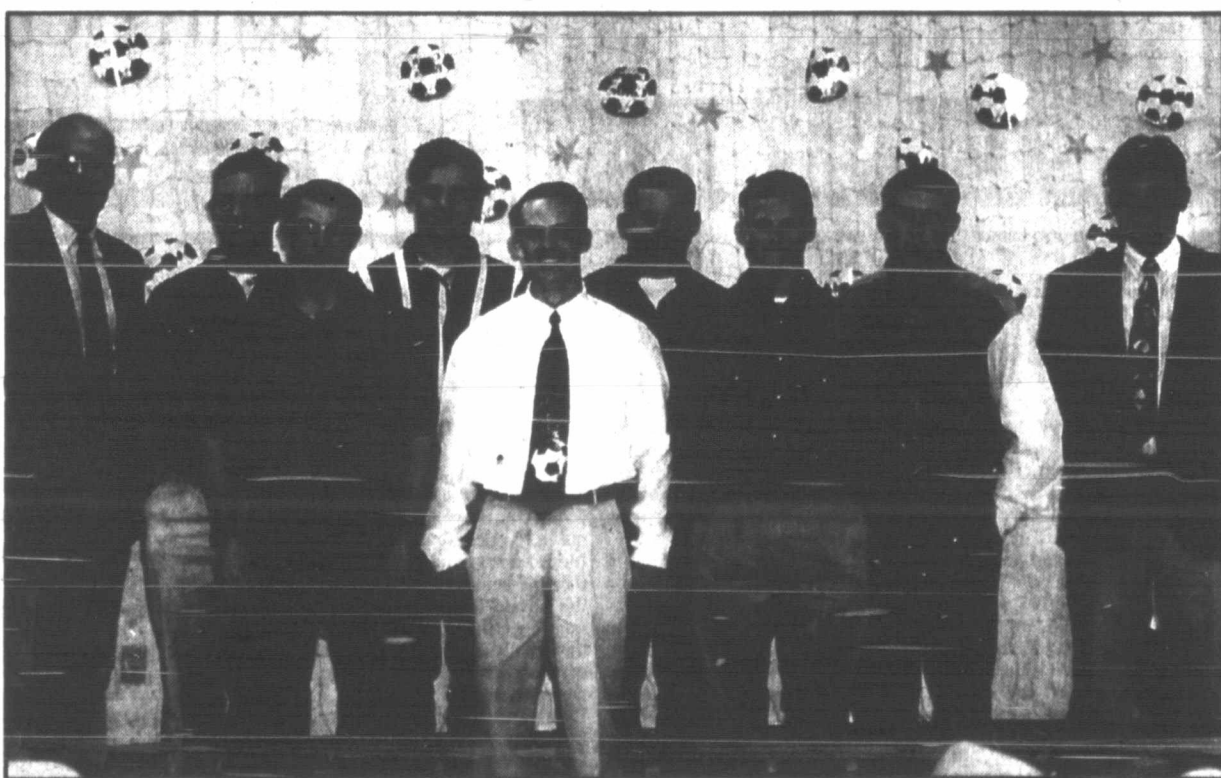
Acting commissioner Bud Selig and Robinson's widow, Rachel, will join the president. Black will be there, too.

They were roommates with the Brooklyn Dodgers, Robinson the pioneer who integrated the game in 1947, and Black the huge pitcher who arrived five years later.

The first thing Robinson noticed was the pitcher's size. He advised the rookie not to get in any fights. It would be easy, given the abuse a black player had to face in those days.

Black was surprised that sort of thing was still going on. Robinson assured him that it was even though by then blacks had a firm foothold in the majors, particularly on the Dodgers' roster with Roy Campanella and Don Newcombe arriving shortly after Robinson.

Senior soccer players



Eight seniors were instrumental in leading Pampa to a second-place finish in the District 5 soccer standings and a playoff spot this year. Pictured with head coach Warren Cottle (far left) and assistant coach Dean Birkes (far right) are seniors Jerad Epps, Justin Moliitor, Mike Weatherly, Blane Northcutt, Chris Welch, Randall Odom and Matt Brown. Not pictured is Fabian Silva.

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ACHA Poll

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — The national quarterhorse poll conducted by the American Quarter Horse Association, flanking through April 13, based on votes of industry and media representatives on a 10-9-8, etc. basis, with first-place votes in parentheses, 1997 records, and total points. (A-Age S-Bax, C-Cat, G-Gelding, S-Station, F-Fly, M-Mare)

Rank	Horse	Points	Pct
1	HezaRambinMan(15)	4-G1-1-0-0	221
2	RarePappermint(1)	3-F2-2-0-0	186
3	QuickMoonSign(2)	2-F3-3-0-0	143
4	FirstPlaceCash(1)	3-C3-2-1-0	137
5	RealSixTime(2)	4-G2-2-0-0	99
6	PlumPowerAJ(2)	2-F2-2-0-0	75
(tie)	SecretCashRunaway	3-G4-3-0-0	75
8	ToastToDash	3-C1-1-0-0	56
9	HonorEase	2-F3-3-0-0	54
10	MiamiPrince	6-G2-1-0-0	53

Others receiving votes: Especially Rare 52, Mr Special Express 39 (1), Ducky Fred 23, JA Traveler 16, Willie Call Me 14, Champagne Legacy 13, More Beta 9, Dashing Perfection 8, Flye R Droppin 7, Horsaplayers Ham 7, Special Dazzle 5, As Free As The Wind 4, Osceola 16 4, Speaker Of The House 4, Spill Perfume 4, The Rainbow Royale 4, Dashing Delores 3, JA Faded Memories 3, Katie Cheval 3, Cool Papa Bell 2, Legacy Dancer 2, Please Dance With Me 2, Real Classy Act 2, El Bando Negro 1, Ichin Cleat 1, Legacy Special 1, Mr Master Maker 1, Now I Know 1, Time To Be A Hero 1.

BASEBALL

National League At A Glance All Times EDT By The Associated Press

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	9	3	.750	—
Florida	8	3	.727	1/2
Montreal	4	6	.400	4
Philadelphia	3	8	.273	5 1/2
New York	3	9	.250	6

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	8	5	.615	—
Cincinnati	5	7	.417	2 1/2
Pittsburgh	4	6	.400	2 1/2
St. Louis	3	8	.273	4
Chicago	0	10	.000	6 1/2

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	8	3	.727	—
Colorado	8	3	.727	—
San Francisco	8	3	.727	—
San Diego	7	4	.636	1

Sunday's Games
Los Angeles 14, Pittsburgh 5
San Diego 3, Philadelphia 1
Cincinnati 6, Florida 4
Atlanta 6, Chicago 4
Montreal 8, Colorado 3
San Francisco 5, New York 1, 1st game
San Francisco 7, New York 6, 2nd game
St. Louis 6, Houston 2

Monday's Games
Houston 4, St. Louis 2, 10 innings
Colorado 10, Montreal 8
San Francisco 3, N.Y. Mets 2
Atlanta 15, Cincinnati 5
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
Colorado (Thompson 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Foster 0-0), 2:20 p.m.
San Diego (Valenzuela 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Lieber 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (VanLandingham 0-0) at Philadelphia (B. Munoz 0-2), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Raggio 0-0) at Florida (A. Fernandez 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Mercker 1-0) at Atlanta (Smoltz 1-2), 7:40 p.m.
Los Angeles (Valdes 1-1) at N.Y. Mets (Reynoso 0-0), 7:40 p.m.
Montreal (P. Martinez 0-0) at Houston (Holt 1-0), 8:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Cincinnati (Mercker 1-0) at Atlanta (Smoltz 1-2), 1:10 p.m.
Los Angeles (Astacio 1-0) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 0-0), 1:40 p.m.
Colorado (Bailey 1-0) at Chicago Cubs (Foster 0-0), 2:20 p.m.

San Diego (Valenzuela 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Cooke 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Osborne 0-1) at Florida (Rapp 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Ruster 1-0) at Philadelphia (Schilling 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (P. Valdes 0-1) at Houston (Reynolds 1-1), 8:05 p.m.

American League At A Glance All Times EDT By The Associated Press

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	6	2	.800	—
Boston	6	6	.500	3
Detroit	-6	7	.452	3 1/2
Toronto	4	5	.444	3 1/2
New York	5	7	.417	4

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	5	3	.625	—
Minnesota	5	5	.500	1
Kansas City	5	6	.455	1 1/2
Cleveland	3	8	.273	3 1/2
Chicago	3	8	.273	3 1/2

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	7	5	.583	—
Seattle	7	5	.583	—
Anaheim	5	6	.455	1 1/2
Texas	4	5	.444	1 1/2

Sunday's Games
Boston 7, Seattle 1
Anahem 6, Cleveland 3
Baltimore 9, Texas 0
Kansas City 6, Minnesota 1
Milwaukee 3, Toronto 2
New York 3, Oakland 2, 1st game
Oakland 7, New York 4, 2nd game
Chicago 11, Detroit 8, 12 innings, 1st game
Detroit 4, Chicago 2, 2nd game

Monday's Games
Boston 10, Oakland 1
Milwaukee 7, Detroit 0
Seattle 6, Cleveland 1
Kansas City 3, Toronto 2
Baltimore 4, Minnesota 2
Anahem 5, N.Y. Yankees 1
Texas 3, Chicago White Sox 1

Tuesday's Games
Detroit (Blair 1-2) at Milwaukee (Karl 0-2), 2:05 p.m.
Oakland (Mohler 0-0) at Boston (Sole 1-0), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Wolcott 1-1) at Cleveland (Hershiser 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Rosado 0-0) at Toronto (Guzman 2-0), 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Alfred 1-0) at Baltimore (Kamieniski 0-0), 7:35 p.m.

National Basketball Association At A Glance All Times EDT By The Associated Press

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Miami	59	20	.747	—
x-New York	54	25	.684	5
x-Orlando	45	34	.570	14
Washington	41	38	.519	18
New Jersey	24	54	.308	34 1/2
Philadelphia	21	58	.266	38
Boston	14	65	.177	45

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Chicago	69	11	.863	—
x-Atlanta	54	24	.692	14
x-Charlotte	53	26	.671	15 1/2
x-Detroit	52	27	.658	16 1/2
Cleveland	40	39	.506	28 1/2
Indiana	39	40	.494	29 1/2
Milwaukee	31	47	.397	37
Toronto	28	51	.354	40 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE Midwest Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Utah	60	18	.769	—
x-Houston	54	25	.684	6 1/2
x-Minnesota	39	40	.494	21 1/2
Dallas	23	56	.291	37 1/2
Denver	20	59	.253	40 1/2
San Antonio	20	59	.253	40 1/2
Vancouver	13	67	.163	48

Sunday's Games
Boston 7, Seattle 1
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Baltimore 9, Texas 0
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Milwaukee 3, Toronto 2
New York 3, Oakland 2, 1st game
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Soccer Major League Soccer At A Glance All Times EDT By The Associated Press

Team	W	L	SOW	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	3	0	0	9	8	2
D.C.	3	0	1	7	3	3
Columbus	2	1	1	4	3	4
New England	1	2	0	3	2	7
NY-NJ	1	3	0	3	5	5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	SOW	Pts	GF	GA
Kansas City	2	1	1	4	6	6
San Jose	2	2	0	3	5	6
Colorado	1	2	0	3	5	6
Dallas	1	2	0	3	3	4
Los Angeles	0	3	0	0	3	7

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for shootout win and zero points for loss.

Saturday's Games
Tampa Bay 2, Kansas City 1
New York-New Jersey 3, New England 1
Washington D.C. 5, Colorado 2
San Jose 4, Los Angeles 1

Sunday's Games
Columbus 2, Dallas 1
Friday, April 18
Dallas at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Washington D.C. at New York-New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 19
Colorado at Dallas, 3 p.m.
Tampa Bay at New England, 5:15 p.m.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association At A Glance All Times EDT By The Associated Press

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y-Miami	59	20	.747	—
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San Antonio	20	59	.253	40 1/2
Vancouver	13	67	.163	48

Sunday's Games
Detroit 108, Chicago 91
Milwaukee 132, New Jersey 123
Houston 113, Seattle 73
L.A. Lakers 100, Utah 98
Phoenix 105, Golden State 97

Monday's Games
Washington 131, Philadelphia 110
Orlando 100, Detroit 91
Minnesota 95, Miami 87
Charlotte 94, Cleveland 82
Indiana 110, New York 107, OT
Chicago 117, Toronto 100
L.A. Clippers 99, Dallas 93
Golden State 103, Denver 93
Sacramento 120, San Antonio 106

Tuesday's Games
New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Seattle, 10 p.m.

z-clinched conference title
y-clinched division title
x-clinched playoff berth

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Sacramento 120, San Antonio 106

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Toronto at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Seattle, 10 p.m.

White Deer boys take second at 2-2A meet

QUANAH — White Deer boys placed second to Panhandle in the District 2-2A track meet held last weekend.

Tim Sandlin cleared 41-11 1/4 to win the triple jump for White Deer. The Bucks finished second in six events.

Panhandle also won the girls' championship in a close meet with Clarendon. Panhandle finished with 190 points while Clarendon had 120. White Deer was sixth.

The two top qualifiers advance to the regional meet.

White Deer results are as follows:

Boys
Shot: Adams, third place, 39-7, 131-1.
Discus: Adams, second place, 131-1.
Triple jump: Sandlin, first place, 41-11 1/4; Knocke, second place, 41-9 3/4.
Vault: Knocke, second place, 10-6.
400 relay: White Deer, second place, 46.19.
800: Short; third place, 2:08.0.
110 hurdles: Knocke, third place, 15.85.
100: Urbanczyk, second place, 11.04; Warminski, third place, 11.35.
300 hurdles: Knocke, second place, 45.21.
200: Sandlin, third place, 23.74.
1600: Short, third place, 5:14.91.

Girls
Shot: McClendon, third place, 32-1 1/2.
800: Warminski, second place, 2:40.47.
1600: Warminski, second place, 5:14.91.

Pace poised to be NFL's number one draft choice

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Pro scouts aren't the only ones who marvel at Ohio State's oak of an offensive lineman, Orlando Pace.

Thinking back to the pudgy kid with the voracious appetite, his mother shakes her head and says with a laugh, "I still try to figure out where this kid came from."

Now Pace is poised to become the No. 1 pick in the NFL draft. Scouts describe him as a ballerina in a 6-foot-6 1/2-inch shell, or "Twister" tipping the scales at 330 pounds.

But this is a tale of two Paces, the dominating blocker and the kid from Sandusky with a smile for everybody and an easygoing manner — off the field, anyway. He said he doesn't care which team picks him Saturday.

"I'm just ready to go out and play football for whoever that may be," the soft-spoken Pace said. "The anxiety is building up every day."

Just like his reputation. Pace's legacy includes the "pancake" body count at Ohio State — a particularly vicious block that flattens a defender.

Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz described Pace last fall as "one of the best tackles in football today. And I didn't say college football, I said football."

An opposing defensive lineman, Wisconsin's Tarek Saleh, wasn't just worried about being blocked. "For that split second after he gets his hands on you, if he gets his legs underneath him, then he's going to body-slam you. And then you're done."

Nonetheless, the football star is a kind, gentle soul off the field. Apparently there is room for two people in that frame.

His voice is so quiet it seems to come from a child. He is good-natured and friendly, as pleasantly socially as he is imposing physically. Kids gravitate to him, a massive Beanie Baby with two Lombardi Awards.

Clippers down Mavs for playoff spot

DALLAS (AP) — The Los Angeles Clippers are going to the playoffs. That's the positive spin.

The negative side of the story is that the Clippers will head into the postseason as the No. 8 seed in the Western Conference, meaning they must face the top-seeded Utah Jazz in the first round.

No matter. The Clippers are simply happy for the chance to keep playing.

"We're going to be loose," said guard Darrick Martin, whose 21 points paced the Clippers to a 99-93 decision over the Dallas Mavericks on Monday night. "We're just going to have fun. I love to win. Being in the playoffs is great."

The Clippers clinched their first playoff berth since the 1992-93 season, eliminating the Sacramento Kings.

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STYLE OF SUIT AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION #TAX-2353 Gray County Appraisal District vs. Gene Mathis Abbott, et al. All of that certain property described in or made reference to in that certain Notice of Lis Pendens filed in the office of the Gray County Clerk in Volume 4, Page 4, Lis Pendens Records, Gray County, Texas, on April 1, 1997 as if set forth herein at length for all purposes, same property as also described in the final petition filed in Cause Number TAX-2353, styled Gray County Appraisal District vs. Gene Mathis Abbott, et al and the final judgment entered therein in-</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Don Copeland Sheriff, Gray County, Texas April 15, 22, 29, 1997 A-84</p>	<p>1 Public Notice</p> <p>cluding all exhibits attached to said petition and judgment as well as all exhibits entered as evidence therein. 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Said sale to be made by me and to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and cost of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. Dated at Pampa, Texas, April 9, 1997</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Don Copeland Sheriff, Gray County, Texas April 15, 22, 29, 1997 A-84</p>	<p>1 Public Notice</p> <p>West 1.4 miles covered by CD 275-11-55 and North Frontage Road at 0.7 mi. W. of SH 237 to South Frontage Road at East Ct. of McLean covered by CD-275-11-56 in Gray County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 P.M., May 6, 1997, and then publicly opened and read. 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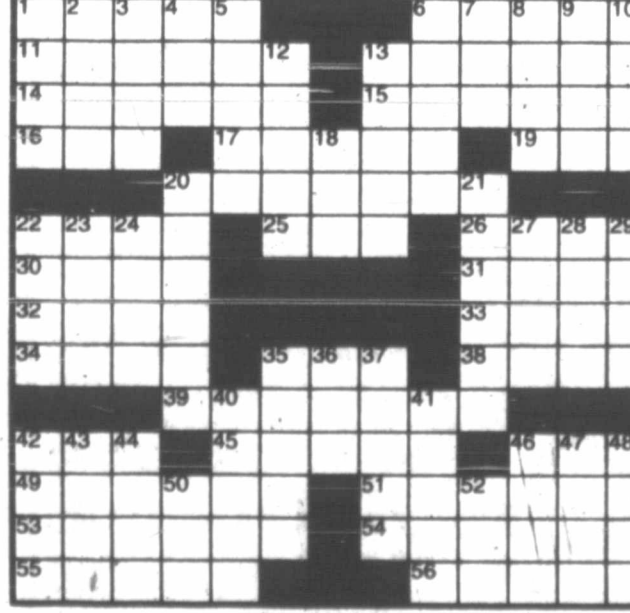
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26 Evergreens
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33 India's continent
34 Do — others
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39 Closest

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Court report

COUNTY COURT

CRIMINAL - December 1996

An order was entered amending the probation of Jeffery Ray Estes. His probation was extended to Jan. 9, 1998.

An order was entered amending the probation of Stephen D. Powell. His probation was extended to July 9, 1997.

Florence Cooper Jr. pleaded guilty to theft between \$50-500. He was assessed six months deferred adjudication, \$250 fine, \$165 court costs, \$100 restitution and 35 hours of community service.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of theft of property by check against Brenda Mae Tolpingrud because restitution had been made.

An order was entered amending the probation of Stephen D. Powell. His probation was extended to June 10, 1997.

An order was entered revoking the probation of Robert Allen Robinson because of violations of the terms and conditions of probation.

An order was entered amending the probation of Joseph Michael Peppard. His probation was extended to June 10, 1997 and he must attend counseling and complete 30 hours of community service.

An order was entered dismissing charges against Donald Wayne Perry at the request of the complaining witness.

An order was entered allowing Darwin Leon Robinson to drive no more than 12 hours during a 24-hour period and only for reasons relating to work while his driver's license is revoked.

An order was entered issuing a capias warrant for the arrest of Gerald Reyes to answer for violation of terms and conditions of probation.

Brent Bradford pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. He was assessed a \$750 fine, two years probation, \$210 court costs, \$450 attorneys' fees and 40 hours of community service.

An order was entered dismissing charges of entering a false report against Brent Bradford because he was convicted in another case.

Arthur Ray McBride pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. He was assessed 17 days in the Gray County jail and \$210 court costs.

An order was entered revoking the probation of Rexall D. Millins for violation of the terms and conditions of probation.

An order was entered dismissing charges of theft of property by check against Brandie Elizabeth Hooper because restitution has been made.

An order was entered dismissing charges of theft of property by check - class B against Chuck Smith because he is deceased.

An order was entered dismissing charges of theft of property by check against Troyce Brewer because court costs and restitution has been made.

CIVIL - December 1996

A notice of intent to dismiss for want of prosecution was entered in the case Joyce Mullen and Charlie Mullen vs. Glenda Edwards.

A notice of intent to dismiss for want of prosecution was entered in the case Tracy Lee Meeks vs. Texas Department of Public Safety.

A notice of intent to dismiss for want of prosecution was entered in the case Pat Jarrett Helton vs. Texas Department of Public Safety.

A notice of intent to dismiss for want of prosecution was entered in the case Citibank N.A. vs. Robert Underwood.

An order to suppress evidence concerning medical costs to the defendants was entered in the case William A. Martin vs. Gary Keller and Adam Wayne.

A 30-day continuance was entered in the case Irene Mullanax vs. Porfirio H. Moreno and Angie Moreno.

MARRIAGE LICENSES - December 1996

Samuel Eugene McCullar and Christi Nicole Walkup

Wesley Kent Dyson and Michele Leigh Kelley

Bryan James Calfy and Jane Ellen Brown

Christopher Ryan Mize and Beth Ann Poland

Dale Arne Tanem and Giner Renea Elms

Jimmy Don Brown and Jo Ann Faries

Douglas Lee McFatrige and Sheila Gail Broadway

Randall Ted Felts and Melissa Darlene Jones

DISTRICT COURT

CRIMINAL - December 1996

An order was entered dismissing charges of burglary of a building against Mark Wesley Parks because the case has been refiled.

An order was entered dismissing charges of attempted burglary of a habitation against Ricardo Cruz because the case has been refiled.

An order was entered dismissing charges of attempted burglary of a habitation against Juan Antonio Rosalez because the case has been refiled.

An order was entered dismissing charges of controlled substance tax violations against James Clifton Walker because of insufficient evidence.

An order was entered dismissing charges of possession of a controlled substance because of insufficient evidence.

Tanya Parden pleaded guilty to theft over \$750 and under \$20,000. She was assessed 10 years probation, a \$5,000 fine, \$450 in court costs and 240 hours of community service.

Caroline Thomas Smith pleaded guilty to arson. She was assessed eight years probation, a \$5,000 fine, \$450 in court costs and 240 hours of community service.

George Roy Reeves pleaded guilty to unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. He was assessed three years probation, a \$500 fine, \$1,069.19 in restitution, \$450 in court costs and 120 hours of community service.

A motion to transfer was granted to Brent Bradford.

An order was entered discharging Terry Don Bunton from probation.

An order was entered to dismiss a motion to proceed with an adjudication of guilt against Maria Ofelia Hernandez.

An order was entered dismissing charges of theft over \$500 and under \$1,500 against Jerry E. Shanley at the request of the complaining witness.

Michael Palmer pleaded guilty to engaging in organized criminal activity. He was assessed seven years in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice facility.

Jacqueline Marshman pleaded guilty to forgery by passing. She was assessed four years probation, \$100 in restitution, \$450 in court costs, 120 hours of community

service and to enter into a substance abuse treatment center.

An order was entered dismissing charges of forgery by passing against Jacqueline Marshman because she was convicted in another case.

An order was entered extending the probation of Michelle Stilwell until Jan. 6, 1998.

An order was entered to continue and add a condition to the probation of Wesley James Beck II. His probation was extended for one year and he must enter a substance abuse treatment center.

An order was entered to require Jacqueline Marshman to enter a substance abuse treatment facility under the conditions of her probation.

A capias warrant was issued and a \$2,500 fine was assessed against Ernesto Granillo Castillo for failing to appear in court concerning a driving while intoxicated - subsequent offense charge.

David Dewayne Jenkins was found guilty of theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000. He was assessed 20 years in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice facility and a \$10,000 fine.

A capias warrant was issued and a \$1,500 fine was assessed against Jaunice Michelle Rushing for failing to appear in court concerning a false report charge.

An order was entered dismissing charges of possession of a controlled substance against Teri Chris Slavick because admissible evidence was insufficient.

James Glenn Hooker pleaded guilty to reckless conduct and was assessed 45 days in the Gray County Jail.

DIVORCES GRANTED - December 1996

Wanda Keys and Curtis Dewayne Keys Gary L. Bolch and Lenore A. Bolch

Barbie Lynn Kile and Darrel Ray Schuster

Robyn Lynn Tubbs and Jimmy Dee Tubbs

Patricia Lynn Zubia and Juan Carlos Zubia

Wesley Kent Dyson and Cheryl Ann Dyson

Kelly Cherry and Paula Lené Cherry

ANNULMENTS GRANTED - December 1996

Frank Slazenski and Jackie Slazenski

Drug trafficker sentenced to 25-year term

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) — The head of a South Texas drug gang linked to several slayings on both sides of the border has been sentenced to 25 years in prison for marijuana and cocaine trafficking.

Marco Enrique Torres, sentenced Monday in Houston, also was fined \$50,000 for smuggling multiple tons of narcotics into the country from June 1992 until May 1995.

"We consider this one of the most significant drug-trafficking organizations that we've investigated in several years," said FBI spokesman John DeLeon.

Its significance increased earlier this year when Torres was linked to former Mexico Deputy Attorney General Mario Ruiz Massieu.

In March, a jury ordered Ruiz Massieu to forfeit \$7.9 million from a Texas bank account after deciding the money was earned by protecting drug traffickers.

Prior to the forfeiture trial, the Mexico weekly magazine *Proceso* published a court document showing an alleged bribe from Torres to Ruiz Massieu for \$4 million to "relieve Torres from public scrutiny after the seizure of 1,200 kilos of cocaine."

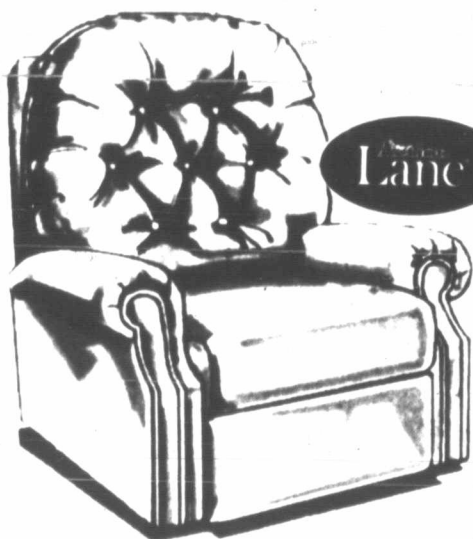
Torres, 48, was accused of conspiring with two former lawmen and others to smuggle drugs into the country from Matamoros, Mexico.

The organization often moved its loads in the false bottoms of cattle trailers, then stashed the drugs at a San Benito dance hall owned by Torres before the cargo was shipped north.

Torres, who had faced up to life in prison and a \$4 million fine, pleaded guilty in January to a drug conspiracy charge.

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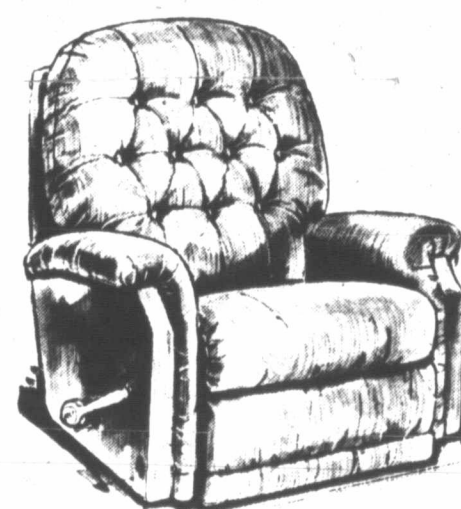
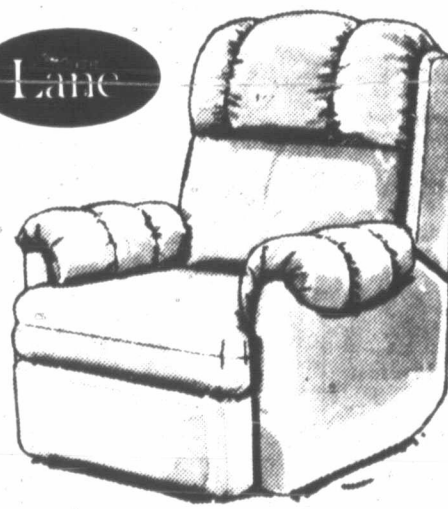


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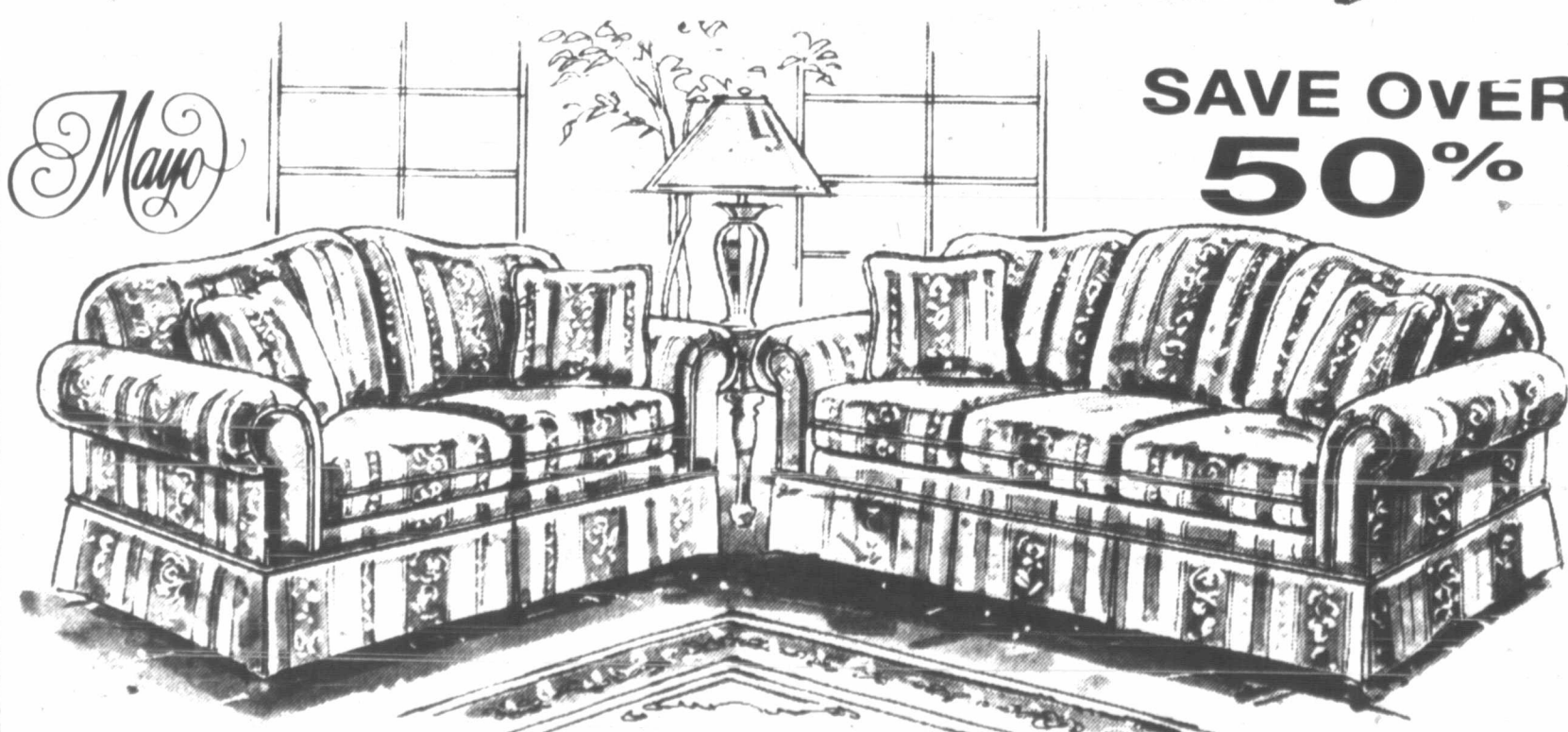
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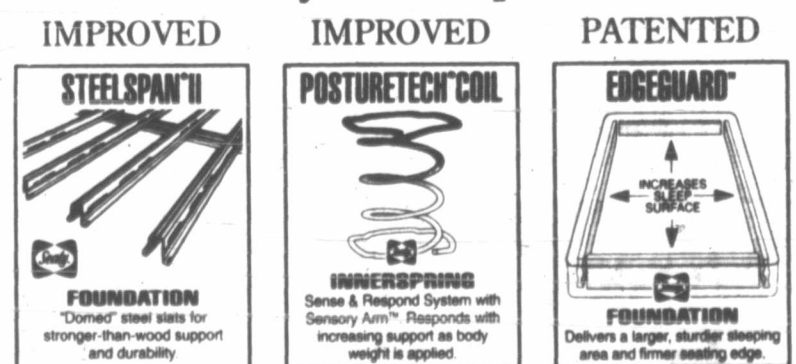
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