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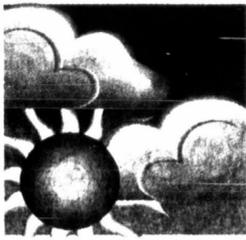
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Low tonight in low 40s. High tomorrow in mid 70s. See Page 2 for weather details.

PAMPA - Gray County Commissioners will meet Thursday, May 15, in the second floor county courtroom at 9 a.m., to discuss and approve routine county business transactions and will consider requests for access from utility or servicing companies.

At 10 a.m., the court will also receive and open bids presented to the court on a bulldozer for Precinct #1.

Agenda items include:

- A request from K-N Energy Inc. to install a cathodic protection ground bed and connecting cable in a barrow ditch in the NE/4 of Section 108, Block 3, I&GN RR Survey.

- Discussion of a joint auction with the City of Pampa, Aug. 2.

- A request from Amarillo Oil Co. to lay pipe in a bar ditch.

- A request from Donny Ray to lay water lines across a road located in Precinct #2.

- Approval of payment of bills, salaries and transfers as recommended by the county auditor's and treasurer's offices.

PAMPA - An early morning fire Sunday in the Starlight Room of the Coronado Inn is currently under investigation by a local fire marshal.

According to a spokesman for the Pampa Fire Department, five firefighting units and 10 firefighters responded to the call, which came in at 2:50 a.m. Sunday.

The blaze destroyed the room normally used by the Pampa Rotary Club, and all the Rotary flags and banners from more than 180 countries which decorated the room were destroyed.

No one was injured in the fire.

The cause of the fire was under investigation today.

PAMPA - The All Night Party Committee at Pampa High School is requesting senior parents who have not already done so to make a \$10 donation toward the senior's after-graduation party.

Gail Curtis is in charge of collecting this fee.

In addition, the committee urges all parents to provide a baby picture of their graduating senior to committee member Kadda Schale.

For more information, call 665-4007 or 669-9350.

PAMPA - Sign-up for the Junior Volunteer Program at Columbia Medical Center will be Monday, May 19, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the hospital cafeteria.

Volunteers must be at least 13 years old and must have parental consent.

Applications will be available at the hospital information desk through June 3.

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Court restricts federal power in election laws

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court today made it harder for federal officials to reject proposed election law changes that hurt minority voting power.

The 7-2 ruling in a Louisiana case clarified the standards the Justice Department should apply in reviewing changes state or local governments make in district boundaries or other voting procedures. Government lawyers must decide whether such changes comply with the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The ruling could hamper federal efforts to persuade state and local governments to try to maximize minority voting power when making such changes by drawing more majority-minority districts.

In other developments, the court:

- Agreed to referee a legal dispute that could affect some 8.7 million Americans covered by multi-employer pension plans.

- Rejected an appeal by a former Navy sailor who challenged the Clinton administration's "don't ask, don't tell" policy on homosexuals in the military.

- Turned down an appeal by a Wisconsin woman penalized because she refused to let a lesbian be her housemate and share the rent on her home.

- Was asked by lawyers for the White House to protect the secrecy of conversations Hillary Rodham Clinton had with government lawyers about the Whitewater investigation.

In the voting rights case, the justices set aside the decision of a three-judge court in Louisiana and told the lower court to restudy a Bossier Parish school board voting plan that included no majority-black districts.

The Voting Rights Act's Section 5 requires many state and local governments to receive federal approval for any election system change by showing it has no discriminatory purpose or effect.

That part of the law states that an electoral change must not leave minority voters worse off than they were before.

The act's Section 2 is more stringent. It prohibits any voting practice that would dilute minority voting strength.

At issue in the Louisiana case was whether Justice Department lawyers can consider any practice that violates Section 2 to be disqualified from approval under Section 5.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote for the court that they cannot.

"The attorney general or a private plaintiff remains free to initiate a Section 2 proceeding if either believes that a jurisdiction's newly enacted voting (procedure) may violate that section," she said. "All we hold today is that preclearance under Section 5 may not be denied on that basis."

She was joined by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices Antonin Scalia, Anthony M. Kennedy and Clarence Thomas.

Light showers fall in area

Overcast skies were all that remained this morning from light showers overnight across the eastern Texas Panhandle.

A trace of moisture was reported near White Deer early today. Canadian and Wheeler reported showers early this morning. Carson County officials reported light rain in the western part of the county about dawn today.

Weather officials said radar indicated showers continuing in the central Panhandle shortly after dawn today. Light rain was falling over Pampa at mid morning under cloudy skies.

The forecast for Pampa today calls for partly cloudy skies with a high near 65 and northeast winds from five to 15 miles an hour. The low tonight is expected to be about 42 degrees.

Pampa's high Sunday was 78,

with an overnight low of 48.

It should be warmer Tuesday with a high of 80 and gusty southwest winds. The low Tuesday night should be about 48 degrees.

Showers and thunderstorms could return to the Pampa area Wednesday with cooler temperatures. The high Wednesday is expected to be about 75 degrees with the low reaching 45.

Thunderstorms could continue through Thursday with partly cloudy skies predicted and a high of 75 and a low of 48 degrees.

Skies should clear by Friday bringing warmer temperatures. The high Friday is expected to be in the mid-80s.

Sunday's high was 78. This morning's low was 48. At 6 a.m. today Amarillo and Dalhart were also reporting 48 degrees.

Lots and lots of food



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

The United States Postal Service and the National Association of Letter Carriers participated in the world's largest one-day food drive on Saturday. Locally, the postal carriers of Top O' Texas Branch No. 3094 brought in 7,640 pounds of food from their rounds. Helping sort and distribute the groceries Saturday evening after the collection are Lloyd Brummett, Johnny Norris and Mike Flynt, all of the Good Samaritan Christian Services, Whitney Davis or Tralee Crisis Center and Sgt. Tinsey Harrison of The Salvation Army. All the collected food items will go to help people in our community. The Post Office reported this morning that food was still coming in.

Newspaper report claims Russian nuclear missile controls are faulty

WASHINGTON (AP) - Recent malfunctions of equipment controlling Russia's nuclear arsenal have switched missiles to "combat mode" on several occasions, increasing the risk of an unauthorized attack on the United States, a newspaper said today.

The *Washington Times* quoted a classified CIA study that said "command and control equipment often malfunctions and on more than one occasion has switched spontaneously to combat mode."

The CIA report said that switching the missiles to combat status "would not necessarily result in an unauthorized missile launch" because of safeguards, including codes that control locks on weapons and supply target data to the missile.

The *Times* said the report was produced in March after warnings by Russian Defense Minister Igor Rodionov that control systems for Russia's nuclear weapons were deteriorating rapidly and the armed forces were partially blinded by a shortage of spy satellites.

Unless the military got more money, "the system could fall apart" for controlling the nuclear arsenal, Rodionov said in February.

A senior Pentagon official, briefing reporters in advance of Rodionov's visit Tuesday with Defense Secretary William Cohen, said he would not comment directly on intelligence reports.

He pointed out that the report quotes a former officer in the strategic rocket forces, adding, "That is at best, hearsay." "I've never seen any credible report from our intelligence services - across the board - that would indicate the risk of unauthorized or accidental launch has been raised," said the official, who is a specialist on nuclear matters.

"This is not something that's keeping me up at night," the official added at another point. He said he was far more concerned about the safety of the Russian's stockpile of chemical weapons, and the failure of the Russian Parliament, or Duma, to ratify the Chemical Weapons treaty.

Another Clinton administration official, also speaking on condition of anonymity said, "We are confident that the Russian strategic rocket forces continue to maintain necessary levels of security and protection of nuclear weapons."

In Moscow, a Defense Ministry

duty officer declined comment today except to note there have been similar news reports, including one today by the military daily *Krasnaya Zvezda*. The military publication carried an item signed by Maj. Gen. Vitaly Denisjuk, chief of the Russian Strategic Nuclear Force's Central Command post.

"Since I became a duty officer at the Central Command post in 1985 ... there have been no cases of spontaneous switching to combat mode at any of the Strategic Nuclear Force command posts," Denisjuk wrote.

He added, "Recently, the funding of planned replacements of combat control systems at control stations has been disrupted. If this tendency continues, a moment will come when the combat control systems' reliability will stop to meet the requirements."

The CIA rated the chance of unauthorized nuclear missile launch as low under "normal circumstances" because "many safeguards" remain.

"However, if that system and its safeguards continue to degrade because of a lack of funding and maintenance, our concern will increase, especially if a crisis arose that splintered the armed forces," the report said.

Senate passes HMO lawsuit bill

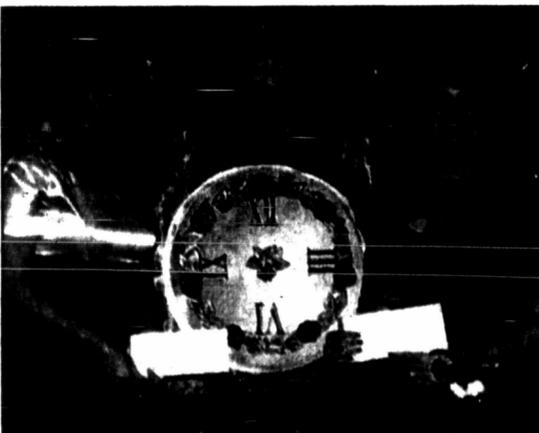
AUSTIN (AP) - The Senate today sent to Gov. George W. Bush a bill that would allow patients to sue managed care organizations for medical malpractice when they make a treatment decision that injures patients.

The Senate voted 25-5 today to concur with House amendments to a bill that last week had become a point of contention between two Republican senators and a representative of Bush's office. Bush also is Republican.

GOP Sens. David Sibley of Waco and Chris Harris of Arlington both accused a Bush staffer of working against the bill when an effort to win final approval for it was temporarily delayed Saturday.

Vance McMahan, Bush's policy director, has been dealing with lawmakers on the issue and "is representing the wishes of the governor," said Bush spokeswoman Karen Hughes.

Pampa band students honored



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Graduating seniors Heather Fernuik, left, and Amanda Sims were presented with the Nona S. Payne Scholarship at the 1997 annual Pampa High School Harvester Band banquet Friday night at the Pampa Country Club.



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Outstanding Senior Musicians Heather Fernuik and Jonathan Smith received plaques honoring their musical talents and efforts during their senior year at the annual banquet for the Harvester Band on Friday night.

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Services tomorrow

FELTER, William Jefferson — Memorial services, 2 p.m., St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Pampa.
JOHNSON, Ida Mae Holmes — 2 p.m., Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ, Pampa.
MOORE, Leo — 2 p.m., Lincoln Street Baptist Church, Dalhart.
SALSMAN, James H. "Pap" — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.
WATSON, Annie Faye — Memorial services, 10 a.m., First Baptist Church, Pampa.

Obituaries

VICTOR RAY HUTCHISON
 Victor Ray Hutchison, 32, of Pampa, died Sunday, May 11, 1997. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mr. Hutchison was born Nov. 12, 1964, at Pampa. He had been a lifelong Pampa resident, graduating from Pampa High School in 1985. He had worked as a service operator for Wagner Well Service for the past five years and was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ellen Hutchison, on March 9, 1991, and by a brother, Charles Edward Hutchison, in July of 1965.
 Survivors include his fiancée, Leisa Edmiston of Pampa; his father, Phillip Hutchison of Pampa; a brother, Mark Hutchison of Amarillo; two nieces, Neely Hutchison and Kendall Hutchison, both of Amarillo; several aunts and uncles; and a special friend, Stephanie Braddock of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas.
IDA MAE HOLMES JOHNSON
 Ida Mae Holmes Johnson, 85, of Pampa, died Friday, May 9, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ with Larry Brown, associate minister, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Johnson was born May 30, 1911, at Clarksville in Red River County, Texas. She had been a Pampa resident since 1943, moving from Clarksville. She married Earl Johnson in 1979 at Pampa; he died in 1990. She was a member of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ of Pampa.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by two brothers, James Holmes and Leotis Holmes.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Alvis Lee and Irene Sanders of Pampa; a sister-in-law, Katherine Johnson Ellis of Littlefield; eight nieces; and four nephews.

LEO MOORE
 DALHART — Leo Moore, 83, a former Wheeler resident, died Friday, May 9, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Lincoln Street Baptist Church with the Rev. Bob McAllister; Toby Huckabee, pastor of First Baptist Church of Hartley; and the Rev. Jimmy Reese of Canyon officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Hass Funeral Home, Inc.

Mr. Reese was born near Granbury and was raised at Wheeler. He married Daisy L. Schaffer in 1943 at Little Rock, Ark. The couple had been Dalhart residents since 1947 and farmed and ranched in the area since.

He was a veteran of World War II. He was active in the Baptist Church. He had been a member of First Baptist Church of Dalhart for more than 30 years prior to joining Lincoln Street Baptist Church, of which he had been a member for 15 years. He had been a member of Hartley Baptist Church for the past year.

Survivors include his wife, Daisy; a daughter, Beverly Glazener of Tucson, Ariz.; two sons, Edward R. Moore of Dalhart and Dr. William Leo Moore of Tyler; a sister, Bess Cole of Dalhart; three brothers, Raymond Moore of Kelton, Jess Moore and Marion Moore, both of Wheeler; and seven grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Gideons or to a favorite charity.
EULA MILDRED SUMMIT
 Eula Mildred Summit, 91, of Pampa, died Saturday, May 10, 1997, at Amarillo. Graveside services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Dreamland Cemetery at Canyon with the Rev. Richard Bales, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Canyon, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Summit was born June 5, 1905, at Paris, Texas. She married L.E. Summit at Clovis, N.M., on Feb. 22, 1931; he died in 1979. She had been a Pampa resident since 1979, moving from Del Rio. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include a niece, Eudell Burnett of Rockport; and two great-nieces, Diane Burnett of Pampa and Eula Jean McCullough of California.

Sheriff's Office

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

SATURDAY, May 10
 A vehicle was reported stolen at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion.

Arrest
 Shawn Dale Hefner, 35, of Abilene, was arrested on a probation violation. He remains in custody.

SUNDAY, May 11
 An incident of arson was reported 1 1/2 miles north of Hoover on Highway 2391.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following calls and arrest for the 40-hour period ending 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, May 10
 Two bicycles, valued at \$160 and \$150, were reported stolen in the 2100 block of Lea.
 A burglary was reported in the 100 block of East Harvester. Three silver stopwatches valued at \$195 was reported stolen.

SUNDAY, May 11
 A theft was reported in the 1000 block of East Scott. A 20-foot aluminum extension ladder valued at \$100 was reported stolen.
 A diaper bag, valued at \$6, was reported stolen in the 400 block of East Frederic.
 Criminal mischief was reported in the 1400 block of Williston. About \$175 in damages was done to the back door of the residence.

Arrest
 Neil Scott Mason, 24, 1112 Lincoln, was arrested on two municipal warrants. He remains in custody.

Ambulance

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

SATURDAY, May 10
 7:10 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of North Warren and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

9:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2400 block of Cherokee on a medical. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

2:28 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility to transport one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

5:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 100 block of South Russell on a medical. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

SUNDAY, May 11
 2:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to 1100 N. Hobart on a fire assist. No one was transported.

10:47 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of Yeager on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

11:54 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 900 block of North Somerville on a medical assist. No one was transported.

2:42 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility for a patient transfer to Columbia Medical Center.

8:24 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

9:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a residence on the east side of town near Country Club Road on a medical assist. One patient was transferred to Columbia Medical Center.

10:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the Jordan Unit TDCJ on a medical assist. One patient was transferred to Columbia Medical Center.

11:36 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of East Tyng on a medical assist. One patient was transferred to Columbia Medical Center.

MONDAY, May 12
 12:38 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to a residence near Country Club Road.

Fires

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

SATURDAY, May 10
 3:28 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to a structure fire at 1321 Garland.

4:33 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to a false alarm at the intersection of Tignor and Barnard.

SUNDAY, May 11
 2:50 a.m. — Five units and ten personnel responded to a structure fire at 1101 N. Hobart.

11:57 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to a medical assist at 911 N. Somerville.

Calendar of events

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

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON
 Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

PAMPA BOOK CLUB
 The Pampa Book Club will meet at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 14, at Lovett Memorial Library. The group will discuss *True Women* by Janice Woods Winkle and *For Love or Honor* by William Saxton. Visitors are welcome.

Stocks

| The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa. | | |
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| Wheat | 3.99 | |
| Milo | 4.20 | |
| Corn | 4.896 | |
| The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation: | | |
| Occidental | 23 | dn 1/2 |
| The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation: | | |
| Magellan | 84.51 | |
| Puritan | 18.43 | |
| The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa. | | |
| Amoco | 86 1/2 | up 1/4 |
| Aco | 146 7/8 | up 1/8 |
| Cabot | 24 1/8 | dn 1/8 |
| Cabot O&G | 19 1/8 | up 3/8 |
| Chevron | 71 1/2 | up 1/8 |
| Coca-Cola | 65 3/4 | up 3/8 |
| Columbia/FCA | 37 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| Enron | 41 | up 1/4 |
| Halliburton | 75 1/2 | up 1/4 |
| Ingersoll Rand | 52 | NC |
| KNE | 40 1/8 | up 7/8 |
| Kerr McGee | 63 7/8 | up 1/2 |
| Limited | 18 1/2 | dn 1/8 |
| Mapco | 30 5/8 | up 1/8 |
| McDonald's | 52 1/8 | dn 1/4 |
| Mobil | 133 1/8 | up 3/8 |
| New Atmos | 23 | up 1/8 |
| Parker & Parsley | 33 5/8 | up 1/2 |
| Penney's | 49 1/4 | up 1/8 |
| Phillips | 42 | up 7/8 |
| SLB | 117 1/2 | up 3/8 |
| SPS | 38 | up 1/8 |
| Tenneco | 42 1/2 | up 3/4 |
| Texasco | 111 3/4 | up 1 1/8 |
| Ultramar | 31 3/4 | dn 1/8 |
| Wal-Mart | 29 1/8 | up 1/8 |
| New York Gold | 348.70 | |
| Silver | 4.84 | |
| West Texas Crude | 20.40 | |

Outstanding Marchers



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)
 Heather Herndon and James Carter were named Outstanding Marchers for the Pampa High School Harvester Band for the 1996-97 school year. The marchers, along with the rest of the high school band members, were honored Friday night at the annual banquet. The theme for this year's banquet was "Times to Remember."

Breakfast to honor law officers

Members of the Pampa Citizens on Patrol (COP) and the Pampa Citizens Police Academy Association will be having an appreciation breakfast on Saturday, May 17, to honor the men and women of the Pampa Police Department and Gray County Sheriff's Office.
 The breakfast will be from 5:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Saturday at the Fellowship Baptist Church Family Center, 622 E. Francis.

"Our members realize that an officer puts his or her life on the line every day for them and all citizens of Pampa," said Jean Franklin, president of the Pampa Citizens Police Academy Association and member of COP East Central Division.
 "We want the officers to know how extremely thankful we are for each officer looking out for our safety," she said. "Many of the people do not really appreciate the attention they receive from the officers. We want our officers to know that these people do not represent the majority of citizens in Pampa."

Accidents

The following accidents were reported to the Pampa Police Department for the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, May 10
 A 1984 red Ford truck driven by Timothy Dail Pritchard, 26, 1918 Beech, collided with an electricity pole in the 700 block of Cuyler. Pritchard was cited for failure to control speed, failure to stop, no valid driver's license and no insurance.

A 1985 Brown Pontiac Bonneville driven by Clifton Duane Norris, 32, 123 S. Nelson, collided with a house in the 300 block of North Doyle. Norris was cited for failure to control speed, no driver's license in possession and no proof of liability insurance.

A black Ford Escort driven by April Nicole West, 17, of White Deer, collided with a 1992 green Chevrolet Cavalier driven by Heather Daniella Morgan, 19, 417 E. 17th, at the intersection of North Cuyler and West Francis. West was cited for failure to yield right of way.

City briefs

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PIZZA HUT Delivery open for breakfast 7-11 a.m. Carry out or delivery, 665-0887. Adv.
IMAGES CORDIALLY CALL M&H Leasing Co., Inc. at 665-1841, when it comes to ice machine sales and service. We've got it, down cold. Adv.
WHEN PACKING Coolers for the lake try "Dry Ice" to extend the life of regular ice. We've got it at Top of Texas Ice Co., Inc. Call us at 665-2061. Adv.
BEAUTY SHOP. Rent, much traffic. 669-2971, 669-9879. Adv.
PUTT-A-Round-Or-Two and Hawaiian Shaved Ice, 900 Duncan, is now open for the season every day at 2 p.m. 669-9952. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, generally fair with a low in the low 40s and light and variable winds. Tuesday, mostly sunny with a high in the mid 70s and southwesterly winds 15-20 mph. Slight chance of evening thunderstorms. Sunday's high was 78; the overnight low was 48.
REGIONAL FORECAST
West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, mostly clear with lows in low to mid 40s. Tuesday, mostly sunny and breezy with highs around 80. South Plains: Tonight, fair. Lows in low to mid 40s. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs from mid 70s to near 80.
North Texas - Tonight, showers ending from north to south,

Countdown begins for shuttle ferry

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The countdown has begun for space shuttle Atlantis' crucial ferry trip to the Russian space station Mir.

Shuttle test director Doug Lyons today said engineers were tracking no problems with Atlantis and that the shuttle's electricity-producing fuel cells underwent extra checks for Thursday's liftoff. The failure of a fuel cell aboard Columbia last month forced NASA to cut short the science mission.

In the nine-day mission, Atlantis will carry up a new oxygen generator for the aging station, as well as repair kits, food and a new astronaut-resident, Michael Foale. Foale will replace Dr. Jerry Linenger, who's been living on Mir for four months.

"We're basically on the postal run to the Mir," Foale said upon arriving at Kennedy Space Center late Sunday, just before the countdown clocks started ticking.

Mir has experienced an unusual number of problems in recent months: a fire that almost forced an evacuation, leaks in the cooling system that caused heat and humidity to shoot up, and failures of oxygen generators and carbon dioxide-removal systems.

Many of those problems have been resolved, and NASA managers decided earlier this month, after considerable discussion with their Russian counterparts, that Mir was safe enough for a 4 1/2-month visit by Foale.

CAER to meet

A training film involving a New York airline crash will be featured at the quarterly meeting of the Community Awareness and Emergency Response (CAER) Committee Wednesday.

The meeting is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Heritage Room of M. K. Brown Auditorium.

Gray County Justice of the Peace Margie Presidge will present the film, according to Pampa City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers.

The film, which deals with emergency response to an airline crash in Syracuse, N.Y., will give local emergency planners a better understanding of multiple injury incidents, Jeffers said.

The CAER Committee will also hear a progress report on the siren project including fund-raising reports in connection with a school district fund raiser, barbecue fund raiser, donation jars and foundation donations.

The committee will officially welcome Jerry Tomaschik of the Pampa Fire Department to the group. The fire department has long been part of CAER, but Tomaschik was recently named the fire department's training officer and will be a representative to CAER, according to Ken Hall, emergency management coordinator.

No Lotto winner

By The Associated Press

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas, state lottery officials said. The drawing was worth an estimated \$23 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 12, 15, 22, 38, 40 and 47.

There were 174 tickets purchased matching five of the six numbers, with a prize each of \$1,663. Matching four of six numbers were 9,270 tickets, winning \$112 each.

If sales continue as expected, Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$35 million.

inland. Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in mid 70s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Tonight, partly cloudy with scattered evening showers and thunderstorms all but northwest. Lows mid 20s to low 40s mountains with 40s to low 50s lower elevations. Tuesday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms mountains and south. Warmer, especially east. Highs 60s and 70s mountains with mid 70s to mid 80s elsewhere.

Oklahoma — Tonight, becoming mostly clear. Lows in mid to upper 40s. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs in mid 70s to near 80.

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First place car winners



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Audrey and Cleo Meaker do more than just sell refrigerators. They promote Pampa and have fun showing their antique cars at car shows. The Meakers recently won first place in all original category for '70-'79 models at the Henrietta Happy Days Car Show with an all original 1972 Ford LTD sky blue convertible. The Meakers make a point of inviting people from other areas to Pampa when some of our local car enthusiasts are showing off their hobbies and hard work.

White House, GOP seem destined for showdown

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans are moving toward a quick showdown with the White House over the campaign finance issue with a threat of a contempt-of-Congress citation if requested documents are not turned over.

Rep. Dan Burton's Government Reform and Oversight Committee is to meet Thursday on improper campaign funding, and Burton said Sunday he is preparing contempt charges if White House counsel Charles Ruff does not come up with the documents he wants.

"The committee has urged me to go ahead and move a contempt citation," the Indiana Republican said on ABC's *This Week*. "If we don't get those documents that the American people have a right to know about ... we will move a contempt citation, probably next week."

The White House is withholding some information on Democratic fund-raisers and former Clinton administration officials based on attorney-client privilege. But it says Burton can see other documents if he accepts a condition that a Senate panel has agreed to — that the materials be inspected at the White House.

Burton rebuffed that arrangement, saying: "For us to run down to the White House to go through thousands and thousands of documents makes absolutely no sense."

The ranking Democrat on the oversight committee, Rep. Henry Waxman of California, dismissed Burton's threat to get a contempt citation as "grandstanding." He is trying to get some attention to himself as a man who is fighting against the White House. ... He has undercut his own credibility."

Waxman, appearing on ABC, said pressure by Democrats had "embarrassed" Burton into saying for the first time Friday that he would seek documents from Republican groups as well in his investigation.

Burton said he would seek the information after three GOP fund-raising committees acknowledged accepting \$122,400 in improper donations from a Hong Kong-based company from 1991 to 1994.

Democratic National Committee Chairman Roy Romer, on CNN's *Late Edition*, charged that a former GOP think tank run by former Republican National Committee Chairman Haley Barbour had used a \$2.2 million loan from the Hong Kong company to funnel \$1.6 million to the RNC before the 1994 election. "This is a coverup of major proportions," Romer contended.

Barbour, on ABC, said any RNC acceptance of illegal foreign contributions was "inadvertent" and that he would willingly appear before Burton's committee.

Business of the Quarter



(Chamber photo)

The owners of Texas Printing were honored recently when the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Retail Trade Committee named Texas Printing, 319 N. Ballard, as its spotlight Business of the Quarter. Accepting the plaque in honor of the designation are owner Mark Taylor, holding the plaque, and head printer Gene Jones, second from right. Representing the committee in presenting the plaque are, from left, Bob Marx, Nu-Way Cleaning Service; Rick Hall, Hall's Auto Sound; Aubrey Roberts, Dobson Cellular Systems; and Ed Ringering, Alco Discount Store.

Lake Meredith to impose boating use fee on July 1

FRITCH — A boating fee will be imposed July 1 at Lake Meredith under a nationwide program approved by Congress that authorized some parks to institute use fees to help raise money for park projects.

Boaters will have the option of purchasing a \$10 three-day pass for each vessel, or a more cost effective \$40 annual pass. Every motorized craft that requires a state boat registration will be subject to the fee.

As the number of visitors climbs due to the popularity of the National Parks, government funding for necessities such as road and building repairs, campground maintenance, educational materials, and other services has not kept pace with demand.

To address these needs, Congress directed the Department of Interior and the Department of Agriculture to implement a Recreation Fee Demonstration Program. This program, which received broad bipartisan support in Congress, will help spread some of the costs of managing public lands among those who use them.

The new fee program reflects Congress' belief that while all Americans support their National Parks by paying taxes, those Americans who use their National Parks should pay a little more in the form of modest entrance fees or user fees.

Lake Meredith is one of 100 National Parks selected for this

program. There are now 375 National Park Service areas; many have charged fees since they were established.

Under this Fee Demonstration Program, 80 percent of the money collected at a park will go into improvements at that specific park. That means that \$8 of every \$10 three-day pass purchased and \$32 of every \$40 annual pass purchased for Lake Meredith will stay at Lake Meredith.

The revenue will be used to fund such projects as improvements to boat ramps, aids to navigation, parking lots, rest rooms, campgrounds and information exhibits. The first projects with new fees money will be to improve camping facilities and boater safety information at Harbor Bay.

To determine appropriate boating fees, the National Park Service researched similar fees at other public lakes in Texas and Oklahoma. These included Texas State Parks, Army Corps of Engineers sites, municipal lakes and other National Recreation Areas. Lake Meredith's boating fee is comparable to other public lakes in the area.

The fee program will go into effect at Lake Meredith on July 1. Signs will be erected and other preparation made during June. As soon as permits are received and fee collection procedures are in place, a public information campaign will be initiated.

Justice Department deepens Mexican probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some top Mexican political and business leaders are under investigation by the Justice Department, accused of using U.S. banks in an alleged drug money laundering scheme, a U.S. official confirmed.

Investigators are looking into whether Raul Salinas, the brother of former Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, and others used a Mexican food subsidy program to launder drug money, a Treasury

Department official said Sunday, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The investigation began 18 months ago. In the past three months, the Justice Department, Treasury, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency and the FBI have pursued the case more aggressively, the official said. Mexico has reduced its role as the investigation delves into the possible use of bank accounts in the United States and Switzerland.

Relief workers rush to quake scene

ABIZ, Iran (AP) — On the foothills of the Shaskooh Mountain, hundreds of villagers, many covered in dirt and blood, gathered around rubble where an old man said he heard a cry for help.

They dug frantically for an hour, only to find a chicken that had somehow survived. Then they dragged out a mangled corpse to the wails of relatives who beat their chests and pulled their hair.

Suddenly they heard something — a desperate cry.

Alireza Rayee, 32, was pulled from the rubble barely conscious Sunday, trapped for 27 hours. A man rushed to bring him water. Another wiped dirt from his face and fanned him with cardboard.

"God has given my son a second life!" shouted his mother, Fatemeh, crying and holding her son's head in her arms.

Rayee's rescue was a rare example of joy across a landscape shattered by Saturday's earthquake that killed at least 2,400 people. In Abiz, none of the 700 mud houses were standing. One-third of its 1,200 people were killed, villagers said.

A huge relief effort was under way in the 60-mile stretch between Birjand and Qaen, a region dotted by poor villages and mud huts near the Afghan border. Convoys of buses, trucks and pickups rushed hundreds of volunteers over narrow dirt roads to the remote mountains in northeastern Iran.

Iranian military aircraft — U.S.-made C-130s and helicopters — flew food, clothes and medicine to the stricken region. Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani was expected to cut short a trip to Turkmenistan to visit the area hit by the earthquake, which struck less than two weeks before Iran's May 25 presidential elections.

More than 155 aftershocks shook what was left standing, forcing tens of thousands of people to camp amid the rubble in the dusty streets of villages. About 50,000 people were homeless and at least 6,000 people were injured by the magnitude-7.1 earthquake, said the Iranian Red Crescent, which is helping direct relief.

In most villages, the streets had been transformed into rows of rubble. Survivors washed the

bodies of their loved ones and buried them in mass graves. Volunteers handed out aid or dug through the collapsed structures with their bare hands to look for bodies.

In Abiz, a poor village about 55 miles east of Qaen, Rayee said he thought he would die beneath the rubble.

"But I prayed all the time that I was under there, and God answered my prayers," he said, grimacing from a broken shoulder.

His rescue was matched with tragedy elsewhere. In another village, an elementary school collapsed, killing 110 girls who were buried under jagged slabs of concrete and steel.

Villagers in Zohan, 60 miles southeast of Qaen, sat on dusty carpets at a mosque to pray for the dead today. They then set up tents and collected food and water for survivors.

Iranian officials estimated the damage at \$67 million and appealed for international aid, which had not arrived in the region by this morning, said Bijan Dalfari, deputy chief of the Iranian Red Crescent in Qaen.

Mom says slaying suspect a 'high-class' gay prostitute

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The man being sought for questioning in the slayings of four people in the Midwest and New Jersey supported himself by having sex with other men, his mother said.

Mary Ann Cunanan of Eureka, Ill., said in today's edition of the Chicago Sun-Times that she believes her son Andrew was a "high-class homosexual prostitute."

The statement comes amid growing confusion over whether Cunanan was a friend of aspiring actor Duke Miglin, whose wealthy father was slain this month in what authorities say could be a

cross-country killing spree.

Bruce Kerschner, the owner of a gay bookstore in San Diego and an acquaintance of Cunanan, was quoted in *The (Minneapolis) Star Tribune* as saying Cunanan and Duke Miglin were friends. Kerschner then called a Sunday night news conference to deny that he knew of any such relationship.

Cunanan, 27, is charged with murder in the shooting of Minneapolis architect David Madson, 33, whose body was found May 3. He also is wanted for questioning in the beating death of Jeffrey Trail, 28, a gas company manager whose body was found in

Madson's apartment April 29.

Authorities said the three men knew one another and that Cunanan, who had a reputation as a "party boy" in San Diego's gay community, had an intimate relationship with Madson.

The body of Chicago developer Lee Miglin, 72, was found May 4 in his garage and Madson's stolen Jeep Cherokee was parked across the street. On Friday, five days later, Miglin's 1994 Lexus was found at a military cemetery in New Jersey, along with the body cemetery caretaker William Reese, 45.

Reese's red Chevrolet pickup was missing.

Novelists to hold seminars for Panhandle Professional Writers

AMARILLO — The Panhandle Professional Writers on Saturday, May 17, will feature seminars by award-winning novelists Jodi Thomas and DeWanna Pace.

The morning session will begin at 10 a.m. with Thomas speaking on "The Seasons of Writing," which is directed to help writers along their career. Thomas will give valuable hints for each season and methods on how to be more successful.

Thomas, who lives in Amarillo with her husband and two sons, has a master's degree in family studies, but spends most of her time writing historical romances. Her love for history has developed since childhood. One grandmother told stories of being born in a covered wagon while the other grandmother settled the plains and lived in a dugout home. Thomas' love for the west comes from five generations of Western heritage.

Her first novel *Beneath the Texas Sky*, published in 1988, won both Romantic Times Reviewers' choice for Best Western Romance of 1988 and the National Press Women's Novel of the Year by a Woman in its category. Her second novel, *Northern Star*, placed first in novel competition at Panhandle Professional Writers and Oklahoma's Writer's Federation Inc.

The Tender Texan, released in 1991, was Thomas' third book and landed her on her first

national best seller list. A Berkeley Special Release, it won Thomas her first "Rita," the highest award in women's fiction by Romance Writers of America in 1991.

Prairie Song, a 1992 release, also made the best seller list and was followed by her 1993 novel, *Cherish the Dream*. In 1994, *The Texan and the Lady* was awarded five gold stars from both Heartland Review and *Affaire De Coeur*. Her seventh book, *To Tame a Texan's Heart*, was released late in 1994, and Thomas became the first author in her category to be awarded a second "Rita."

Forever in Texas broke all records in sales in 1995, and *Texas Love Song* was released in October 1996. Thomas' 10th book, *Two Texas Hearts*, has been chosen as a Double Day Book Club selection for release in July. Currently, Thomas is hard at work on her 11th book, already contracted with Jove Publishing.

Following lunch and a short business meeting, Pace will present her program, "Why Manuscripts Get Rejected," at 1:30 p.m.

Pace has sold six historical romances written under her name and has recently contracted for several more. Her second book, *So Close to the Flame*, won the 1990 Romance Novel of the Year awarded by National Press Women after having first won it in the state of Texas. *Sugar and*

Spice was a November 1996 release from Berkley/Jove's new "Our Town" line.

Her historical inspirational, *Small Blessings*, was an October 1996 release by Barbour & Co.'s "HeartSong Presents" line. *Beckoning Shore* will be released in June from Berkley/Jove's "Our Town" series. *The Beholding* is to be released from Leisure in November 1997 and will be written under her pseudonym, Dia Hunter.

Pace has also sold articles, short stories, poetry and children's short fiction. She has judged more than 450 writing contest both internationally and nationally. In addition to writing, Pace works as first reader for the Kirkland Literary Agency Inc. and teaches novel writing at Amarillo College.

Named in her honor, The Pace Award acknowledges service to the writing profession and is awarded annually by Romance Writers of the Texas Panhandle, the Amarillo chapter of Romance Writers of America.

Registration to attend the event begins at 9:30 a.m. at the Amarillo College Business and Industry Center, 1314 S. Polk Street. There

is no fee and the seminar is open to the public. However, reservations must be made to attend the \$6 lunch, catered by Amarillo College. Reservations can be made by calling Connee McAnear at (806) 379-6721 or (806) 379-8321 by noon on May 15.

In addition, anyone interested in becoming a member of the Panhandle Professional Writers can contact Ellen Richardson at (806) 379-9729. Membership is open to any writer, whether published or not. The cost for one year's membership is \$20 for new members and \$15 for renewing members.

Another gathering will also be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 31, at 4809 Gary Lane for PPW members interested in children's writing. Kimberly Willis Holt, author of *My Louisiana Sky* and *Mister and Me*, will host a gathering for those interested in writing for children. Reservations can be made by calling (806) 353-7833.

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Opinion

Next year will be crucial for Koreans

We heard bits and pieces in the news recently — the United States agreed to send \$15 million in food to help stave off apparent famine in North Korea, while American diplomats expressed hope that the North will agree to participate in four-party talks to lay the groundwork for a peaceful Korean future.

This year, in fact, could be pivotal in the rich yet troubled history of the Korean peninsula. That was one message delivered by Kun Woo Park, ambassador of the Republic of Korea, during a recent speech to the World Affairs Council.

The food shortages in North Korea are just one example of a weakening regime facing increasingly serious problems. As the last major Marxist regime, North Korea has been repressive and closed for decades. After the July 1994 death of the "beloved glorious leader" Kim Il Sung, Kim's son, Kim Jong Il, took over, but his grip on power is not so firm as was his father's.

Economic ruin and food supply troubles are the natural results of the kind of tightly controlled economy the father created, but the buzzards are coming home to roost during the reign of the son. Park noted "junior" has neither his father's charisma nor power base. A steadily worsening economy hurts him, too.

Amid the turmoil, the North continues to increase spending on its military, which already includes the fourth largest army in the world.

South Korea, meantime, faces troubles of its own — bribery scandals, the conviction of two former presidents for abuse of power and a serious economic downturn.

Almost everybody expects the two Koreas to be reunited in the next ten years or so, but how? An uprising or bout of repression could lead to bloodshed and violence. North Korea could respond like a wounded, cornered animal and unleash its military on the South — whose capital, Seoul, is but 30 miles from the border — in an effort to go out in one last blaze of glory. Park noted the weaponry aligned near the border is cause for caution and concern.

Even if reunification is accomplished peacefully, melding the two countries won't be easy. By way of comparison, the income ratio between West and East Germany was about 3-to-1, and East Germany had industrial infrastructure and an educated workforce. The income ratio between South and North Korea is about 25-to-1, and it's doubtful the north has economic assets of serious value in a competitive world.

The United States is involved, of course, with 37,000 troops in South Korea that could be the tripwire and first casualties if the North gets rambunctious. Eventually, that commitment should be cut back or eliminated, leaving Koreans to solve Korean problems. That could even allow the United States to play a more genuine "honest broker" role.

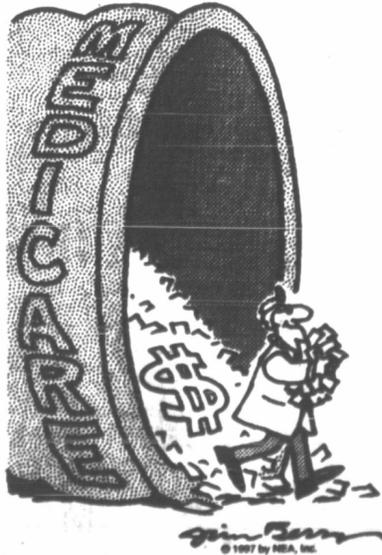
But for the moment, Park and his government are looking to find stable footing among neighbors — North Korea, Japan, China — who share long and contentious histories. Little is certain, except perhaps for one sentiment. As Park put it: "Korean people yearn for a spring thaw ... in the last outpost of communism."

Thought for today

"It is not easy nowadays to remember anything so contrary to all appearances as that officials are the servants of the public; and the official must try not to foster the illusion that it is the other way round."

Sir Ernest Gowers, Plain Words

Berry's World



Network hits rock bottom

The heavily promoted Big Coming-Out Episode of Ellen is now, Deo gratia, over. Most people (this writer included) were long since sick of the hype. But still the question lingers: Why did they do it?

The mantra within the entertainment community, conveniently trotted out every time it causes trouble, is that it's "giving the market what it wants." In this case, however, the market flatly rejected the lesbian cha-cha-cha. A recent TV Guide survey found that by a margin of more than 3-to-1, respondents believe it's a bad idea for a series to have a homosexual lead character and 61 percent of viewers familiar with the show said they wouldn't watch The Episode.

But Hollywood's promotion of homosexuality has nothing to do with the market and everything to do with the powerfully militant gay movement, arguably "the most effective lobby in television," believes TV Guide. What does Hollywood's gay movement want? Robert Peters of Morality in Media has prepared a fascinating, and equally troubling, paper on the subject. Excerpts:

"The gay movement does not exist to elect (former New York Gov.) Mario Cuomo, nor to ... pass the gay rights bill. These are at best steps in a much larger process, namely, the creation of genuine acceptance of homosexuality ... in society at large. To create such changes in social attitudes requires action at all levels of society; we need to be concerned with that vast collection of institutions and apparatus that determine ideology ... including media ... educational facilities, and the like." Lest anyone use this passage to describe conspiratorialist tendencies to the likes of Peters, he is simply quoting the words of gay activist Dennis Altman



L. Brent Bozell

in the homosexual publication New York Native.

Altman continues, "(We) are essentially a radical movement ... and in as far as we are successful we do indeed break down the hegemony of certain traditional values about sex and relationships. Often this perception is argued in terms of the need to defend our own minorities, whether they be man-boy lovers, transvestites or sado-masochists, a point with which I would agree."

Television's portrait of heterosexual behavior doesn't correspond to what goes on in the real America, either. The daytime hours, with libidinous soap operas and raunchy talk shows, ooze sex. Prime time is just as racy — but has a far larger audience. A soon-to-be-released study by the Parents Television Council indicates that this raunch has now implanted itself firmly even in what used to be the "family hour" 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Eastern and Pacific time. PTC researchers examined "family hour" shows during the February sweeps period and found 60 references to sexual intercourse in 93 hours of programming.

When you examine those references, their raunchy nature becomes evident. Forty-three of

them focused on either premarital or extramarital sex; only 12 dealt with sex within the context of marriage. (In five instances, marital status was unclear.) The overall sex-outside-marriage to sex-within-marriage ratio: 3.6 to 1. Remember, we're talking about the earliest hour of prime time, when millions of children are the target audience.

Unfortunately, there's no shortage of proof for how sordid it's become. Of the four hour-long episodes of Fox's Melrose Place airing in the study period, three were consumed with story lines focusing on marital, premarital and extramarital sex. Led by Melrose, Fox was the most sex-obsessed network, with one reference per hour, but in fairness, cheap sexual innuendo is almost everywhere. A clip from CBS' Pearl:

College professor: "I have been involved with the finest balls (social dances) this campus has to offer." (Laugh track.)

Dean: "You were involved with the president's balls?" (More laughter.)

Professor: "Yes, I handled them both." (Crescendo of laughter.)

And that's only the first hour of prime time. Between 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. air such heterosexually obsessed programs as NBC's Seinfeld and NewsRadio, ABC's Spin City, CBS's Cybill, and Fox's Married ... With Children, recently canceled after a decade of filth. So what movement is behind prime time's heterosexual exhibitionism, pushing Timeslot to lower the barrier relentlessly, no matter what the public says? There is none. This one is pure Hollywood, which is pushing the envelope without anyone's prodding. There is no political agenda, just a desire to tear down tradition. And it could care less what the public tells the pollsters. They're still watching.

Today in history

By The Associated Press Today is Monday, May 12, the 132nd day of 1997. There are 233 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 12, 1820, the founder of modern nursing, Florence Nightingale, was born in Florence, Italy.

On this date: In 1870, Manitoba entered Confederation as a Canadian province.

In 1932, the body of the kidnapped son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh was found in a wooded area of Hopewell, N.J.

In 1937, Britain's King George VI was crowned at Westminster Abbey.

In 1943, during World War II, Axis forces in North Africa surrendered.

In 1949, the Soviet Union announced an end to the Berlin Blockade.

In 1965, West Germany and Israel exchanged letters establishing diplomatic relations.



NEWS ITEM: 63-YEAR-OLD WOMAN GIVES BIRTH

What NEA has done to learning

Nobody knows better than your local teachers' union how to play upon your sympathies. As educators, they are for children, right? And to oppose them is to be anti-child, isn't it?

Well, the National Education Association and other teachers unions spent more than \$50 million in the 1996 election cycle to convince us of that. Their arguments, as Sol Stern summarizes in his excellent article in the spring issue of the City Journal, tend to go like this: In order to attract good people in a competitive market, we must drive up teacher salaries, reduce class sizes and provide better working conditions.

This argument, or variants of it, has held sway for the past several decades. As Stern points out, between 1965 and 1990, average annual per-pupil spending in the United States increased from \$2,402 to \$5,582 in inflation-adjusted dollars.

Student/teacher ratios also declined from 24.1 to 17.3. The percentage of teachers with post-graduate degrees increased from 23.2 to 52.6, and average teacher salaries increased by 20 percent.

Now, that is what even the most die-hard liberal would have to label a "commitment" to education. And what were the results in terms of student performance? Well, during that same period, SAT scores declined by about ten percent, dropout rates in inner-city schools accelerated and American students fell behind those of other industrialized nations on standardized tests.

Teachers unions alone cannot take all of the responsibility for America's declining schools, but it is safe to say that they have made a significant contribution.

In the first place, teachers unions have done



Mona Charen

what all unions attempt to do — protect their members' jobs at all costs. Private-sector unions seek to do the same but are constrained by the marketplace. If worker productivity declines too much, the company will lose market share and, eventually, the workers will lose their jobs.

But in the public sphere, there is no market discipline. Accordingly, teachers and other public unions have been able to negotiate cushy agreements with cities and counties. One of the things they've managed to enshrine in law practically everywhere is ironclad teacher tenure. It is almost impossible to fire an incompetent teacher. One frank New York City principal told Stern that an effort to fire a truly "dysfunctional" teacher in his high school had already taken more than 100 hours (out of school) over two years in grievance sessions, arbitration and meetings at the Board of Education. Though each of the principal's negative evaluations of the teacher had been upheld on appeal, it was still going to take at least another year before the teacher might face a disciplinary hearing.

The unions have also used their enormous resources and political clout to block education reform, as advocates of school choice in several states have found to their dismay.

Americans remain devoted to the public schools because they believe in a system for Americanizing every student in the land. Vouchers are often feared for their divisive potential — one school for black nationalists, another for vegetarians. So, it is ironic that the National Education Association, the nation's largest teachers union, is fully in thrall to the multicultural agenda. The NEA supports "the movement toward self-determination by American Indians/Alaska Natives" and recommends "the infusion of Afrocentric curricula into the curriculum." The NEA opposes efforts to make English the official language, favors gay and lesbian rights, and supports a single-payer healthcare system.

The NEA is not only far to the left of the American electorate, it is also to the left of most of its own members. Teachers in 20 states have founded alternative unions, including the Association of American Educators, and have taken advantage of the federal law requiring that members who request it be refunded the amount of their dues that were spent on activities other than collective bargaining. The alternative unions typically charge much lower dues and provide benefits like liability insurance.

The Alexis de Toqueville Institution of Arlington, Va., has published a pamphlet titled What Teachers Don't Know About the NEA. If you would like to read it yourself, call the institute at 703-351-4969. If more teachers did know the truth about the NEA, its grip on America's schools might loosen considerably.

How 'great' was our 32nd president?

Now at last, more than 52 years after his death, a spacious memorial to Franklin D. Roosevelt is being unveiled on the banks of the Potomac.

That there should be a memorial was probably inevitable, given FDR's rank in the hagiography of the Democratic Party (they put his face on the dime, after all), and those of us who count ourselves privileged to have voted against him ought to be thankful it wasn't designed and built earlier. For there was a time, in the years immediately following his death in 1945, when the Roosevelt-worshippers were numbered in the scores of millions, and only Cecil B. De Mille could have conceived a monument huge enough to reflect their estimate of the man.

Today the Roosevelt fever in the country is a good deal lower. Mostly, no doubt, this is simply because nobody under 65 can have any dependable contemporary recollection of him. Presidential reputations rise and fall as they come under the scrutiny of ever more distant generations, and one can never be quite sure they will stay where yesterday's historians put them. (Thomas Jefferson, for example, is currently taking quite a beating as a slave-owner, and Calvin Coolidge, of all people, staged a major comeback during the Reagan years.)

But in Roosevelt's case there has been a distinct shrinkage of regard in the past quarter-century, owing in part to new information. We now have Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr.'s shrewd assessment of him ("A second-rate intellect and a first-rate character"), and John Maynard Keynes' pithy summa-



William Rusher

ry on emerging from a conference with him ("An economic illiterate.") We know how shabbily he treated his wife, and how courageously she rose above it.

The historical record has acquired some interesting retouches too. It is agreed, now, that the New Deal never succeeded in ending the Great Depression — only our participation in World War II did that. Thanks to the Venona Papers now being released by the National Security Agency, we know how thoroughly the four Roosevelt administrations were riddled by Communists masquerading as New Dealers — a fact that became deadly dangerous when the Cold War broke out in 1946. Other researchers have established that, while Roosevelt almost certainly didn't know that the Japanese were planning to attack Pearl Harbor, he had deliberately provoked them into attacking somewhere, and let the military and naval commanders in Hawaii take the rap for his own failure

to alert the armed forces that war was inevitable.

But unquestionably FDR's chief legacy was the enormous federal bureaucracy that he and his fellow New Dealers designed and imposed on the American people. This, to be sure, was to be expanded manifold under Lyndon Johnson, whose Great Society was intended to be, and was, a vast expansion of the New Deal. But the central concept of Big Government as the solution for the nation's ills was Roosevelt's, and to him belongs the credit — or blame, depending on your point of view.

On the plus side, those who felt (and I was one of them) that America's place was beside Britain in the battle against Hitler's Germany must always be grateful for the devices (Lend-Lease, the "destroyer deal," the total oil embargo against Japan) whereby Roosevelt maneuvered America into the war. Having the Soviet Union as an ally was an embarrassment, but a Europe (and Britain) permanently under Nazi control would have been a far greater one. The Soviet Union could be, and was, dealt with in due course.

The other day a bunch of (mostly elderly) Roosevelt idolaters ran a full-page newspaper ad proposing that their hero be officially recognized as equal with Washington and Lincoln in the American pantheon. Hereafter, if they have their way, Presidents' Day will be set aside for special veneration of the Big Three. But I doubt they can pull it off. Let them try for Mount Rushmore, for starters.

Court report

COUNTY COURT

CRIMINAL - February 1997

An order was entered amending the probation of Miguel Angel Castillo.

David L. South was found guilty of driving while intoxicated. He was assessed a \$900 fine, 60 days in the Gray County Jail, one year probation, \$210 in court costs and to attend a DWI class.

An order was entered releasing a cash bond to David L. South.

Willy B. Ballard was found guilty of theft of property by check. He was assessed a \$400 fine, 30 days confinement in Gray County Jail, \$235 in court costs and \$715.26 in restitution.

Orders were entered dismissing charges of theft of property by check against the following individuals because they are unapprehended: Ralph Rameriz Cano, Waldemar Sanchez Colon, Courtney Michelle Brown, Jerry Lynn Barnes, Jeffery Thomas Churchill, Raymond Ray Diaz, Mary Lou Dockery, Barbara Eberhardt and Richard Elliott.

Order were entered dismissing charges of theft of property by check against the following individuals because restitution has been made: Connie Caldwell, Shane Seratt, Meri C. Crawford, Kyla Belt, Staci L. Cochran, Bill Hassell, Jennifer Winegeart, Betty Ann Belflower and Chad William Freeman.

An order was entered dismissing charges of theft of services over \$500 and under \$1,500 against Josiah Vernon because he is unapprehended.

Orders were entered discharging the following individuals from misdemeanor probation: Richard Anthony Hill, Javier Solis, Ron Larkin, Kishon D.

Conley, Michael Seth Heiskell, Joe Graves, Shelli L. Marcum, Daniel Vargas, Norris Ray Tollerson, John Eric Allen, Raul Perez Gonzalez and Robert Allen Robinson.

An order was entered dismissing probation violation charges against Joseph B. Richardson because he is in a federal correctional facility.

Orders were entered dismissing a motion to revoke probation for the following individuals because they are unapprehended: Jaime F. Tucker, Rick Beshears, Melton David Dees, and Bethea Conley.

An order was entered dismissing charges of burglary of a motor vehicle against Kenneth Joe Black due to insufficient evidence.

An order was entered dismissing charges of failure to stop and render aid against Joseph Taylor due to insufficient evidence.

An order was entered dismissing charges of driving while intoxicated against Gary Lee Bilbrey due to insufficient evidence.

An order was entered dismissing charges of theft of property by check against Chris Budd because he signed an affidavit of forgery.

An order was entered dismissing charges of criminal mischief against Sherry L. Nunley due to insufficient evidence.

An order was entered dismissing charges of assault causing bodily injury against Ricky Allen Basden Jr. because he was convicted in another case.

An order was entered dismissing charges of no valid driver's license against Shawn Lee Weatherford because he is being held by a motion to revoke felony parole.

An order was entered modifying the probation of

Gary Hunter Hayes. He was ordered to attend Allen Treatment Center.

Orders were entered revoking probation and issuing warrants against the following individuals: Rod Lamont Donnell, Charles D. Pressley, Sandra Denise Britton, Michael Landers, Gary Hunter Hayes, Dewayne Gordon Hickman and Susan Utzman Shawn.

Patrick Lee Herr was found guilty of failure to identify. He was assessed a \$500 fine, six months probation, \$135 in court costs and 30 hours of community service.

Margaret Hernandez was found guilty of theft over \$50. She was assessed a \$350 fine, one year probation, \$135 in court costs and 25 hours of community service.

Jose Silva Jr. was found guilty of driving while intoxicated. He was assessed a \$700 fine, two years probation, \$210 in court costs and 45 hours of community service.

Lonnie Lee Nunley was found guilty of driving with an invalid license. He was assessed deferred adjudication, six months probation, a \$200 fine, \$135 in court costs and 24 hours of community service.

Kenneth Ray Black pleaded no contest to charges of driving while intoxicated. He was assessed a \$500 fine, \$42.26 in restitution, two years probation, \$210 in court costs and 50 hours of community service.

Weldon Tyrone Evans was found guilty of evading arrest. He was assessed a \$750 fine, one year probation, \$135 in court costs and 60 hours of community service.

Tonya Owens Randall was found guilty of theft

of property by check. She was assessed a \$200 fine, \$165 in court costs, \$223.24 in restitution and 30 days in Gray County Jail.

Lisa Bowers pleaded no contest to theft of property by check. She was assessed deferred adjudication, six months probation, \$1,018.71 in restitution and 40 hours of community service.

Trevor S. Colpetzer was found guilty of theft of services over \$20 and under \$500. He was assessed 70 days in the Gray County Jail and \$165 in court costs.

CIVIL - February 1997

The suit, Luella G. Allison vs. Truma Houchin, was dismissed at the request of the plaintiff.

An NISI judgement was issued against Shawn Lee Weatherford to repay a \$458 bail bond.

MARRIAGE LICENSES - February 1997

Jose Martin Hernandez and Silvia Lopez Celaya Jared Brad Ely and Rhonda Rana Woodruff Lee Ray Steel and Imogene Robinson

Fernando F. Guevara Jr. and Cori Lynn Palmer Dewayne Ray McBee and Anna Marie Aldridge Jeffery Frank Allen and Waynetta Lynne Britton

Dustin Shane Stoddard and Joelynn Reeves Douglas Robert McGinley and Pam Yeager Jason Wade Garth and Sherylyn Marie Snapp Tommy Curtis Pickering and Buffy Ann Huckert

Robert Charles Forsyth and Joan Elizabeth Burns Jose Luis Cervantes and Maria Carmen Cervantes

Edward Harry Miller and Barbara Lanette Herring

Devlin Carey Howe and Christa Carole McPherson

Dean Wallace Birkes and Johnna Kay Summers

Upsilon officers



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Members of the Upsilon Chapter of the Sigma Beta Phi sorority who will be serving as the 1997-98 officers are Angie Cotton, city council representative; Brandi Wyatt, correspondent secretary; Julie Frost, president; Missy Roye, treasurer; and Susan Hoelting, recording secretary. Not pictured are Vice President Bobbye Russell and Kimberly Lopez, parliamentarian.

Austin Elementary School Honor Roll

Austin Elementary has announced its Honor Roll for the fifth six weeks for the 1996-1997 school year.

Second Grade

All A's Honor Roll

Daniel Arnold, Michaela Arzola, Natasha Bailey, Breanna Bigham, Bryan Bogges, Cassidy Casados, Jarron Clark, Kenzie Clendennen, Bridget Craig, Maegan Crain, Craig Crowell, Stephen Linton, Gracie Dudley, Brady Eakin, Brett Ferrell, Tyler Hall, Ryan Hansen, Sarah Hatfield and Daniel Heare.

Katie Holmes, Kebbi Hutto, Morgan Ketchersid, Natalie Knowles, Dock Mackie, Kendall Mann, Courtney Meyer, Darrin Meyer, Bryant Noble, Ethan North, Britten Rice, Devan Shults, Skyler Simpson, Christopher Stabel, Sally Steele, Cameron Stewart, Tanna Stowers, Angela Tindol, Alyce Urice and Gavin Ware.

All A's and 1 B Honor Roll

Chelsea Adkins, Breanna Beesley, Reese Dills, Jareth Fortenberry, Tasia McEntire, Chris Peoples, Erika Silva, Erin Teague and Jenee Watson.

Third Grade

All A's Honor Roll

Cooper Brazile, Justin Brown, Lauren Cook, Seth Darnell, D.J. Elliott, Dak Fallon, Taylor Fatheree, Chase Guyer, Bryan Heersema, Tyson Hickman, Clay Jones, Sunil Kamnani, Whitney Karr and Eric Kingcade. Antonio Lucero, Jennifer Mackie, Junior Navarrete, Lindsay Rhoades, Lindzi Schaible, Brody Smith, Christopher Smith, Weston Teichmann, Kari Terrell and Elizabeth Thomas.

All A's and 1 B Honor Roll

Nakayla Courter, Audrey Dunn, Sarah Everson, Cody McMinn, Chase Phillips, Grant Stucki, Blake Talley and Trevor Thomas.

Fourth Grade

All A's Honor Roll

Payton Baird, Ben Briscoe, Elizabeth Campbell, Rhiannon Casados, Monica Eakin, Rebecca Gindorf, Clayton Hall, Lynzy Leach and Mark Murray. Ann Murtishaw, Stacy Pepper, Jacey Planteen, Toshia Powell, Anna Schafer, Carissa Snelgrooves, Greg Steele, Trevor

Talley, Shane Willett and Clayton Young.

All A's and 1 B Honor Roll

Tyler Doughty, Dustin Elliott, Seth Foster, Teryn Garner, Keaton Hutto and Dusty Lenderman.

Fifth Grade

All A's Honor Roll

Brianna Bailey, Ryan Barnes, Zach Cain, Kelsey Caldwell, Jerrod Carruth, Megan David, Chelsey Davis, Sarah Driggs, Mitchell Jefferies, Anna Johnson, Garrett Johnston and Jonathan Jones.

Tara Jordan, Kellen Ketchersid, Lindsey Musgrave, Katlin Passini, Lindsey Price, Katie Shaffer, Elliott Smith, Johnny Story, Britton White and Stephanie Willoughby.

All A's and 1 B Honor Roll

Chris Arnold, Alan Arzola, Nikki Brown, Erica Cochran, Andrew Curtis, Clarke Hale, Jessica Hall, Krissy Holman, Misty Ivey and Lauryn Langford. Derek Lewis, Michael Martinez, Riki Mauricio, Kelli Mitchell, Aaron Simon, Jera Skinner, Mac Smith, Shaleene Taylor, Sarita Ware and Claudia Wittliff.

How Hollywood bigwig's hot new idea became road kill on state capitol

AUSTIN (AP) — Steven Spielberg's plans for a high-tech, \$20 million arcade-cum-night-club in downtown have apparently derailed from political opposition by Texas' powerful beer wholesalers.

For the virtual-reality GameWorks concept they planned to bring to computer-happy Austin and other Texas cities, Spielberg and friends needed a legislative change.

The clubs were to sell alcohol, but because liquor industry giant Seagrams is a part of GameWorks' complicated ownership, it cannot hold a retail liquor license in Texas under a 1936 state law.

Spielberg's group thought they could fix that. While Seagrams' lobbyist Brad Shields knew he was in for a fight against a well-positioned Texas industry, he persuaded his clients they had a 50-50 shot at getting a bill passed.

At the heart of beer and liquor sales in Texas are post-Prohibition rules aimed at keeping manufacturers like Seagrams out of the retail end of the business. The three-tier system puts inviolate boundaries between the people who make liquor, those who distribute it and those who dispense it.

GameWorks plotted a legislative strategy to change that arrangement, encouraged by an

exception lawmakers approved in 1990 to allow beer sales at San Antonio's Sea World after Anheuser-Busch purchased it.

In House and Senate committee hearings, GameWorks officials talked economic development, claiming each of its proposed Texas locations, as many as seven, would mean a \$20 million investment and 250 jobs.

But Wade Spilman, one of the Wholesale Beer Distributors' ten lobbyists, predicted gloom and doom.

"Just as surely as we are sitting here," he testified to the House committee, "if you authorize this, we will have a situation that is not desirable, not appropriate

and not in the public interest."

GameWorks put its hopes on the Senate, aware of the House committee's traditionally friendly view of the Texas alcoholic beverage industry.

"Almost every member of that committee has carried legislation for the alcoholic beverage industry," Shields told the *Austin American-Statesman*.

In the past four years, Texas beer distributors' political action committees have poured \$380,000 into legislators' campaign finance kegs. Among the top recipients have been Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria.

Seagrams involvement in Texas

politics has been limited to big money in top races. Spielberg also has been a significant player in Texas gubernatorial politics, giving \$50,000 to then-Gov. Ann Richards in 1994.

In the Senate, Shields' thought the bill was headed to the Economic Development Committee. But it was referred by Bullock to the State Affairs Committee, chaired by

Armbrister, the recipient of \$11,375 from the Wholesale Beer Distributors since July 1993 and an usher at Victoria's Holy Family Catholic Church. The usher corps also includes a current board member for the Wholesale Beer Distributors of Texas.

Armbrister saw the GameWorks bill as a threat to the "purity of the three-tier system." The fact that the distributors give money to lawmakers "never hurts," he added.

Mike McKinney of the Wholesale Beer Distributors said the GameWorks bill was at the top of his hit list this year.

"Like any trade association, we go to our members and ask them to lobby their local senators and representatives," he said. "I don't think we are any different than any other trade association that has Texas members."

That's far too modest, Shields said.

Preceptor Theta Iota officers



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

The officers for 1997-98 for the Preceptor Theta Iota Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority were installed recently. The new officers are Anna Franklin, treasurer; Pat Kindle, vice president; Jan Oblak, president; and Carolyn Smith, corresponding secretary. Not pictured is Janice Hubbard, recording secretary.

Beta Eta Omega officers



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Beta Eta Omega Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi recently installed its officers. The new officers are Shelly Lewis, parliamentarian; Jo Karbo, recording secretary; Janie Pena, vice president; Jolea Briggs, president; Susan Ratzliff, treasurer; and Valerie Miller, city council representative. Not pictured is Correspondent Secretary Terry Cree.

Sad Couple Loses Daughter To Husband Firmly In Control

DEAR ABBY: Three years ago, "Donna," our youngest daughter, married "Bill." We were not happy with her choice, but she was 23 and it was her decision, so we gave her a beautiful wedding and kept quiet.

While they were dating, Bill broke dates, was very late and sometimes didn't show up at all. He hated all her friends, so eventually she gave them up — even her longtime girlfriends. Now he wants to have nothing to do with us.

We live 1,000 miles away and feel lucky to get to see her twice a year (Christmas and her birthday).

We had a family reunion — Donna did not attend. Bill's family had a reunion — they attended.

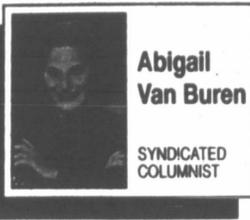
I know Donna should be more aggressive, but it is not her nature. Should we stop calling, writing and sending her gifts? If we don't stay in touch, it will be exactly what Bill wants to happen.

We had Donna when we were 40, and I have a terminal illness, which makes matters worse. Abby, what would you do?

CANT CRY ANYMORE

DEAR CANT: I would do whatever pleases me.

It is obvious that your daughter is being totally controlled by her husband. You do not say whether she is happy with this arrangement. Coupled with the estrangement from family and friends that you describe, this can be a warning sign of impending mental or physical



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

abuse. If she is happy, don't try to "rescue" her. But if she's not, let her know you're there for her and will help her in any way you can — should she ask.

DEAR ABBY: Some friends of mine were recently married and had a strange request for a gift. The groom is a widower who had a home completely furnished with all the necessities. This was the bride's first marriage.

Our circle of friends all attend the same church, so an announcement was displayed on the bulletin board stating that since they already had all the things they need to start a home together, they were requesting that any gifts be sent in the form of a cash donation to a travel agency for their honeymoon. A small announcement with the same message was included with each wedding invitation.

Abby, many of us have very simple lifestyles and try not to be condemning, so very little was said. I am also aware that many people

care very little about what etiquette dictates. However, it seems to me that if people want to give a gift, it is just that — a gift, of their choosing. Some say this isn't any different from a bride registering at a department store. To me, it was just a little too tacky. Your opinion, please.

WANTS TO KNOW: I agree with you. If someone asks what the couple could use, then the friends and family can offer a suggestion. But to include an announcement requesting a particular gift or a gift of money is, indeed, tacky.

DEAR ABBY: My best friend (I'll call her Jennifer) is getting married soon, and she is busy making her plans.

Jennifer's stepmother told her that the maid of honor and the bridesmaids must be unmarried virgins. Is this true?

This news has disturbed Jennifer because all the friends she has chosen to be in the wedding party are married.

BRIDE'S BEST FRIEND, NEW JERSEY

DEAR BEST FRIEND: Jennifer's stepmother was either joking or she is misinformed. The bride chooses her best friends or closest relatives to be in her wedding party without regard to whether they are virgins or not. Marital and sexual status have nothing whatsoever to do with the honor of attending the bride.

according to the rules. Do not ask for free puts or a third serve just because a gust of wind came up.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be extra prudent in financial matters today where your decisions also affect the holdings of others. It will lower your self-esteem if you cost another money.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do not make impulsive moves today where legalities are concerned without the back-up of expert counsel. This is not a good day to be your own lawyer.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be selective regarding do-it-yourself endeavors today. You may try to fix something in hopes of saving money that could end up worse than when you started.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) The confidence you have in someone you recently met might not be fully justified. Be patient and give this individual more time to prove him or herself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Do not judge others today by their material circumstances. People who truly have something to offer may not be numbered

among those with full wallets.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It may be easier to say "yes" than "no" today, and this may impel you to make some hasty commitments without considering their ramifications.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Regardless of whether it's for business or pleasure, do not enter into joint arrangements today where the costs are not equally divided.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It is likely you will size-up situations accurately today, yet you may act against your better judgment and do something that discounts your findings.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It could prove unwise today to lean too heavily upon your intuition and expectations. View situations realistically and avoid wishful thinking.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Things will be more enjoyable for you today if you choose the company of a few choice pals rather than a large gathering with unfamiliar faces.

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Horoscope

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Friends and social contacts could play significant roles in your affairs in the year ahead. Those who become involved are likely to bring their four-leaf clovers with them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Some assignments you've been ignoring can be successfully finalized today, if you don't push the envelope and try to do in one day what usually takes you several. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In competitive social sports today, play everything



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"In the car we buckle up, but at school I hafta buckle down."



"You might as well give up. You'll never out-alooof them."

The Family Circus

AS YOUR LAWYER, I HAFTA MAKE CERTAIN YOU MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION IN COURT.

RELAX... FLEA BAILEY.

I DID EVERYTHING YOU SAID... I BRUSHED MY TEETH... TOOK A BATH... CLIPPED MY NAILS... I EVEN GOT A NEW...

...FLEA COLLAR.



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YOU BROUGHT YES, SO YOU CAN FIND YOUR WAY OUT OF THE LABYRINTH?

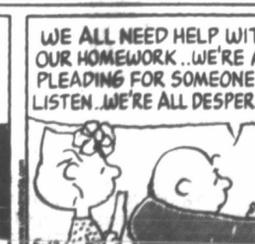
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I MUST GO NOW, BEFORE THE KITCHEN WORKERS RETURN!

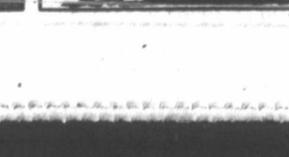
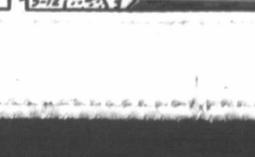
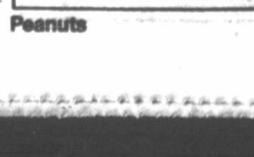
THANKS, ARIADNE! GOOD LUCK, AND BE CAREFUL! I'VE HEARD THE MINOTAUR IS NOT TO BE TAKEN LIGHTLY!



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Peanuts



For Better or For Worse



Arlo & Janis



Garfield



Walnut Cove



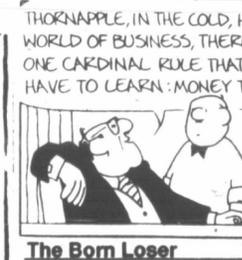
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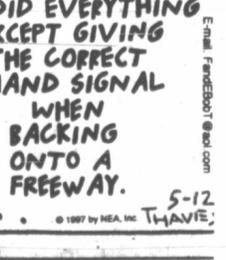
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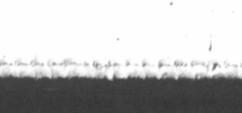
The Born Loser



Frank & Ernest



Mallard Fillmore



SPORTS

Notebook

BASEBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa Optimist Club's opening day ceremonies are set for Saturday at Optimist Park. Boys baseball and girls softball games are scheduled to be played all day.

A barbecue will be held from 12 to 4 in the Optimist gymnasium. Tickets are five dollars and can be purchased at the door.

PAMPA — Coaches in the Pampa Optimist Baseball and Softball Leagues who want to turn in their game results can pick up scoresheets at the Pampa News sports department.

Results can also be phoned in at 669-2527.

GOLF

DULUTH, Ga. (AP) — When golf ceased to be fun for Scott McCarron, he did what many might consider doing. He simply quit playing.

"I gave up golf after college because I wasn't any good," McCarron said Sunday while celebrating his second victory in his third season on the PGA Tour, a three-shot triumph in the BellSouth Classic.

After playing on UCLA's 1988 national championship team, McCarron opted to work in his father's clothing business for four years.

Most of his athletic endeavors during that time centered on flag football, softball, tennis and racquetball. Watching a Senior Tour event in his hometown, Rancho Murieta, Cal., got him interested again.

"I started enjoying golf again," he said. "I decided to come back and won the Q-school in Canada. It's a good tour to hone your skills. I finished 24th on their Order of Merit."

AUTO RACING

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — First, Paul Tracy ended a drought for the Roger Penske team. Now, he's started a winning streak.

Tracy won the Rio 400 on Sunday, taking the lead for good when Bobby Rahal ran out of fuel two laps from the end.

It was his second straight victory, following a hard-fought win at Nazareth Speedway on April 27 that ended a string of 20 losses by the Penske team.

This time, the victory was almost a gift.

"I've never really had a race like this where it was just handed to me," Tracy said after the victory that boosted him into first place in the PPG Cup Champion standings with 65 points.

Greg Moore finished in second place, 1.8 seconds off the lead in a Reynard-Mercedes. Scott Pruett was third in a Reynard-Cosworth and moved into second place in the PPG standings with 61 points.

For most of the race, Rahal was masterful, leading for 102 laps around the 1.864-mile modified oval of Emerson Fittipaldi Speedway at the Nelson Piquet Raceway. But he gambled on making his second pit stop on the 84th lap, one lap before Tracy, and came up short.

"I'm numb," said the three-time PPG champion, who hasn't won a race since 1992. "My crew was working hard to calculate the number of laps of yellow that we needed. I needed just one more."

Rahal grabbed the lead on the seventh lap and held it until he pitted on the 42nd lap. Brazilian Gil de Ferran had the best pit stop and took second, followed by Tracy and Bryan Herta.

Rahal regained the lead on the 53rd lap and held it until his second pit stop. He was back in front on the 89th lap until he sputtered into the pits at the end, finishing 10th.

The Tracy-Rahal duel overshadowed a brilliant race by Alex Zanardi. The Italian driver, the winner at Long Beach on April 13, finished fourth after starting from 26th.

Rockets take 3-1 lead with OT win over Sonics

SEATTLE (AP) — Unless they stumble in Houston, the Rockets are done playing in Seattle.

The Rockets put themselves in position to wrap up their Western Conference semifinal series at home with a 110-106 overtime victory over the SuperSonics on Sunday that gave them a 3-1 lead.

"We're looking forward to closing them out at home," Houston's Clyde Drexler said.

"We need to go home and take care of business," Charles Barkley of the Rockets said.

The Rockets didn't win the game in regulation because Barkley missed two free throws with 11 seconds left. In overtime, rookie Matt Maloney put them ahead in the final minute with his eighth 3-pointer of the game, one shy of the NBA playoff record set by Rex Chapman of Phoenix against the Sonics in the first round this year.

The Rockets can wrap up the series with a win in Game 5 in Houston on Tuesday night. Game 6, if necessary, would be in Seattle on Thursday night.

History says the Houston-Seattle series is probably over. Only five clubs have come back from 3-1 deficits. The Rockets were the last team to do that, rallying from that disadvantage to beat Phoenix two years ago.

If that's the case, it will be a disappointing ending to what the Sonics hoped would be a title season. Seattle lost in six games to the Chicago Bulls in the NBA Finals.

"We've been there before and come back," Houston's Hakeem Olajuwon said. "So we know it's not over yet."

"We just have to come out and play like the series is tied up and win the game Tuesday," said Gary Payton, who led Seattle on Sunday with 27 points and 11 assists.

"Game 5 is simple," Seattle coach George Karl said. "It's pride, it's heart. If we play with tremendous intensity, we'll have an opportunity to win."

In an emotional game that the Sonics knew they had to win to have a shot at winning the series, there were six technical fouls called, four on the Rockets.

Even in victory, the Rockets didn't have anything good to say about the officiating crew of Dick Bavetta, Bill Oakes and Don Vaden.

"I think they need to re-define the word foul," Drexler said. "It's getting out of hand."

Said Karl, who received one of Seattle's two technicals: "We had three or four tough calls in overtime. One OK, two maybe, three or four? It's hard to overcome that."

Maloney, equalling his career playoff-high with 26 points, broke

the Sonics' backs with his 3-pointer with 37 seconds left in overtime that gave Houston a 108-106 lead.

"I've been really satisfied with the way I've been able to knock it down," said the 25-year-old Maloney, who is 30-for-57 (53 percent) from behind the arc in playoff series against Seattle and Minnesota after making 154 3-pointers during the regular season.

With the Sonics focusing on defending Olajuwon, Barkley and Drexler, Maloney found himself wide open a lot of times.

"That's their defensive decision," Maloney said. "They can double down and live with the shots I'm getting or guard three of the best players in the history of the league one on one."

Seattle's David Wingate missed a 3-point attempt with five seconds left and Mario Elie of the Rockets made two free throws

with 3.2 seconds to go. Hersey Hawkins missed a 3-pointer as time ran out.

Barkley acquitted himself of the missed free throws by scoring seven of his 26 points in overtime. He also led Houston with 15 rebounds as the Rockets finished with a 62-56 advantage on the boards.

The Sonics got only 11 points and nine rebounds in 28 minutes from All-Star forward Shawn Kemp, who fouled out with 5:59 left in regulation.

Houston was 14-of-30 (47 percent) from 3-point range, while Seattle was 5-for-19 (26 percent). Maloney was 8-of-13 from beyond the arc.

Detlef Schrempf of Seattle had 19 points.

Hawkins sent the game into overtime when he hit a 3-pointer from the left corner with 2.4 seconds left.

Wheeler's Stevens captures state pole vault championship



(Pampa News file photo)

Wheeler's Travis Stevens won the state pole vault title last weekend in Austin.

AUSTIN — Wheeler senior Travis Stevens topped off an outstanding high school athletic career by winning the Class 1A state pole vault title Saturday.

Stevens, who quarterbacked Wheeler into the playoffs this past season, had a winning vault of 14-6.

He had finished sixth in the event two years ago. Josh Fielder of Evadale was second at 14-0.

Wheeler came close to having a brother-sister combination win gold medals. Travis' sister, Brooke, was nipped in the 100 hurdles by Munday's Anna Waldrip.

Stevens' time was 15.40 while Waldrip crossed the finish line in 15.39.

Stevens, a sophomore, was fifth in the 100 hurdles at the state meet a year ago.

Groom senior Justin Ritter was another area trackster who just missed out on the gold medal. Ritter came from behind in the boys' Class 400 to almost

TRACK & FIELD

catch Lueders-Avoca's Matt Strickland at the tape. Ritter dove across the finish line to take second with his best time of 49.05. Strickland won in 48.96.

Ritter was also entered in the 800 and placed fifth (2:02.48).

Wheeler's Jason Porton was fourth in the 100 hurdles (14.91) and Miami's Marshall Flowers was eighth in the 110 hurdles (15.74).

Canadian's Lady Wildcats became the first Panhandle-area girls team to win a state track championship since the Pampa Lady Harvesters won the Class 4A title in 1988. Canadian scored 50 points to nip second-place Cisco and Refugio, which ended up deadlocked with 48 points.

Canadian's 1600-meter relay team of Amber Rupprecht, Bessie Ann Reed, Denise Lee and Kathy Lee finished fifth with a time of 4:06.51, but it was enough to capture the first-

place Class 2A team trophy.

The Lady Wildcats came up strong in the individual events, claiming three gold medals. Rupprecht won the 300 hurdles (44.33) and took third in the 100 hurdles (15.04). Reed won the 400 (58.40) and Denise Lee captured the 1600 (5:20.58). Lee's 1600 win was the type of stuff movies are made of. She actually had failed to qualify for the state meet, placing third at regionals.

However, Lee was able to make the trip to Austin because Ozona's Lori Sanchez, who took second at regionals, was suspended from her team due to disciplinary actions.

Canadian came close to winning the team title a year ago, finishing second. The Lady Wildcats were fourth two years ago.

Lee, Reed and Rupprecht are all seniors. Kathy Lee, Denise's sister, is just a freshman.

Canadian is coached by Don Drinnon.

New York Mets over .500 for first time in almost three years

By The Associated Press

The New York Mets are over .500 for the first time in nearly three years.

Getting consecutive ninth-inning homers by pinch-hitters off a potential Hall of Famer, New York beat the St. Louis Cardinals 6-4 Sunday to improve to 19-18.

"It's coming together," manager Bobby Valentine said. "I'm proud of the guys, and they're proud of themselves. They're feeling good, and rightfully so."

St. Louis led 4-3 in the ninth, and Dennis Eckersley was trying to get his eighth save in as many chances.

But Carlos Baerga led off the ninth with a single, and Carl Everett connected for his third homer.

"He's not as overpowering as he used to be," said Everett, who is 2-for-9 as a pinch hitter. "Off the bat, I knew it was out."

Butch Huskey followed with his second pinch-homer in four days.

"When it went off his bat I said, 'Maybe it's still in here. Never mind,'" said Eckersley (0-2). "I haven't given up a home run in a while so I don't know what it sounds like."

The Mets, who swept the three-game series at Busch Stadium, hadn't hit consecutive pinch-homers since May 4, 1991, when Mackey Sasser and Mark Carreon connected against San Francisco. New York has won 11 of 15 games and is over .500 for the first time since May 30, 1994.

In other games Sunday, it was:

San Francisco 11, Chicago 5; Florida 6, Houston 3; Philadelphia 3, Colorado 1; San Diego 5, Cincinnati 4, 11 innings; Atlanta 8, Pittsburgh 2; and Montreal 6, Los Angeles 3, 10 innings.

New York's Cory Lidle (1-0) worked a scoreless eighth for his first major-league victory, and John Franco finished for his 10th save.

Giants 11, Cubs 5

Barry Bonds broke out of a 1-for-16 slump with a two-run homer and a double as San Francisco had its biggest scoring game of the season. J.T. Snow added his first NL homer for the Giants, who moved into first place in the NL West.

Sammy Sosa hit a three-run homer and went 3-for-4 for the visiting Cubs.

Mark Gardner (4-1) won his

fourth consecutive decision, allowing four runs and seven hits in 5 1-3 innings. Doug Henry went 2 1-3 innings for his first save.

Kevin Foster (3-3) allowed five runs and four hits in two-plus innings.

Marlins 6, Astros 3

Alex Fernandez (4-4) allowed three runs and six hits in six innings at Miami and hit a two-run double for the first RBIs of his career.

Moises Alou went 2-for-2 with two walks, two runs scored and an RBI. Houston outhit the Marlins 8-7 but stranded five in scoring position.

Robb Nen pitched a hitless ninth for his ninth save in 10 chances.

Donne Wall (1-1) allowed four runs, four hits and four walks in

three innings.

Phillies 3, Rockies 1

Curt Schilling (5-3) tied a career-high with 12 strikeouts, walked none and pitched a four-hitter as Philadelphia won three straight games for the first time this season.

Visiting Colorado lost its fifth straight, the Rockies' longest skid of the year.

John Thomson (0-1) made his major-league debut and allowed three runs — one earned — and five hits in seven innings. Gregg Jefferies broke a 1-1 tie in the seventh with a two-run double.

Padres 5, Reds 4

Archi Cianfrocco singled in the winning run in the 11th as San Diego won consecutive games for the first time since April 11 and 13 at Philadelphia.

When Belle hits, White Sox win

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

Not that he's about to make a big deal about it, but Albert Belle is starting to hit. And, no surprise, the Chicago White Sox are starting to win.

Belle hit a grand slam, doubled and drove in five runs Sunday as the White Sox, who went into the weekend with the worst record in the American League, completed a four-game sweep of the Oakland Athletics with an 8-5 victory.

"He's led the league in RBIs the last two years. That's why we brought him in here," teammate Frank Thomas said.

Belle has turned around his slow start, hitting .353 over his last 13 games. He again declined comment, as he has since April 11, although White Sox chairman Jerry Reinsdorf recently said he would talk to Belle about his silence.

In other games Sunday, Toronto edged Minnesota 3-2, Baltimore beat Seattle 9-5, New York defeated Kansas City 3-2, Detroit downed Cleveland 11-3, Texas topped Boston 8-6 and

Milwaukee defeated Anaheim 5-2.

Oakland lost its fifth straight game, although Chicago also suffered a loss at Comiskey Park.

Right fielder Lyle Mouton broke a bone in his face when he collided with center fielder Dave Martinez while chasing George Williams' fly ball in the fifth inning. Mouton was put on the disabled list while Martinez sustained a slight concussion.

"It's still on my mind," said winning pitcher Wilson Alvarez, who tied a career high with 12 strikeouts. "You should see Lyle's face. It's kind of bad. We're going to miss him. He's been hot right now."

Belle hit his eighth career slam in the third inning against Willie Adams. The A's intentionally walked Thomas to load the bases, and Belle hit his sixth homer of the season.

"They weren't trying to pitch around me, just set up a situation for the double play," Thomas said.

Belle finished 3-for-3 with a sacrifice fly.

Orioles 9, Mariners 5
B.J. Surhoff homered, tripled,

singled and drove in six runs as division leaders Baltimore and Seattle split a four-game series at Camden Yards.

Surhoff, trying to become the first Orioles player to hit for the cycle since Cal Ripken in 1984, struck out in the sixth inning and again in the eighth.

Roberto Alomar had three hits, scored three runs and stole two bases to help Baltimore avert its first three-game losing streak of the year. The Orioles beat Dennis Martinez, who had been 4-0 lifetime against his former club.

Dan Wilson hit two home runs for the Mariners and Paul Sorrento and Edgar Martinez also connected. Martinez extended his hitting streak 16 games, longest in the AL this season.

Yankees 3, Royals 2

The Yankees received their 1996 World Series championship rings in pregame ceremonies, then beat Kansas City for their 16th victory in 21 games.

David Wells (4-1), who pitched for Baltimore last year, pitched into the ninth inning and reliever Mariano Rivera got the final two outs for his 13th save.

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| Philadelphia | 13 | 22 | .371 | 11 1/2 |
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Luyendyk begins planning Indianapolis 500 race strategy

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The race for the pole is over. Let the mind games begin.

Arie Luyendyk withstood one challenge by Tony Stewart, winning the Indianapolis 500 pole by less than two-tenths of a second. Now comes the behind-closed-doors planning of race strategy, only some of which is for public consumption.

"If anybody wants to go out and charge like mad, I want them to go ahead and do it," said Luyendyk, the fastest qualifier on the opening weekend of time trials for the May 25 race. "It's a long race. The first 400 miles, you just have to stay with the leader. Why punish your equipment?"

Stewart, last year's rookie of the year, started from the pole after teammate Scott Brayton was killed in practice. Stewart's strategy then was to keep the lead as long as he could — he set a rookie record by leading the first 31 laps — but he finished 24th after his engine went sour on the 83rd lap.

Luyendyk, whose first qualification last year was disallowed because his car was found to be underweight, later set a track record at 236.986 mph, but had to start 20th and finished 16th.

All speeds are down this year because of the new Indy Racing League chassis and engines, and Luyendyk qualified Saturday at 218.263. Stewart earned his second Indy start and a spot on the middle of the front row with a four-lap average of 218.021, a blink of an eye too slow to dislodge Luyendyk from the pole.

"We made a couple changes right before the run and had a pretty nice balance," Stewart said. "The car actually was stuck too good to the track. That was the problem. That's what definitely cost us the pole. It wasn't free enough. We wanted to make one more change and try it before we got in the qualifying line, but we just ran out of time."

Luyendyk and Stewart were among 21 drivers who qualified on Saturday. Two more, rookies Steve Kinser and Robbie Groff, joined the tentative lineup Sunday, leaving 10 spots to be filled this coming weekend.

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| 15 Chicken chow | 48 Uses a pencil part |
| 16 Craze | 49 City slickers, to Westerners |
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Pampa Middle School Honor Roll

Pampa Middle School has announced its Honor Roll for the fifth six weeks of the 1996-1997 school year.

Sixth Grade

All A's
Faye Bennett, Abby Bradley, Luke Burton, Abby Cavalier, Tara Coffee, Betsy Crossman, Alejandro Davila, Amanda Dyson, Benjamin Frogge, Jason Hillman, Bonnie Holmes, Nathanael Holmes, Karissa Inteman, Shawn King, Jordan Klaus, Andrea Lea, Joshua Miller and Carolyn Morse.

A's and B's
Tiffani Neef, Katy Newhouse, Jessica Nicolet, Vanessa Orr, Brian Peters, Cody Planteen, Sarah Porter, Brent Rancy, Joe Resendiz, Megan Shannon, Janna Sikes, Max Simon, Teryn Stowers, Kelly Triplehorn, Hayden Wade, Lauren Walters, Mary Alice Warner, Erica Wittliff and Ryan Zemanek.

All A's
Tommy Abernathy, Trevor Allen, Justin Anderson, Wendy Arcoala, Mollie Baker, Alesha Bowers, Amber Bowers, Brittany Brazile, Kaylie Brewer, Helen Brooks, Tristan Brown, Ross Buzzard, Miguel Caldera, Cameron Cargill, Fawnia Chapman, Annie Chumbley and Staci Clay.

A's and B's
Meagan Craig, Jesse Czesnowski, Amber Driggers, Taryn Fallon, Kristi Farnum, Zachary Ferris, Meredith Fleming, Matthew Foust, Jay Gerber, Danielle Green, Justin Haddock, John Hahn, Michelle Haley, Price Hall, Joe Harp, Kristina Hartman, Lexi Hill, Bradley Holden and Christopher House.

Tyler Howard, Robert Hutchison, Matthew

Jameson, Brad Justice, Jonathon Kilhoffer, Tess Kingcandle, Kody Kirkland, Rhett Lawrence, Casey Lee, Jessica Leos, Denise Mackie, Britney Moutray, Joshua Nachtigall, Stephen Nelson, Christopher Owen and Jeanie Palmateer.

All A's
Shaunta Reed, Garrett Rhine, Matthew Robben, Brandi Schakel, Terra Scoggin, James Scroggins, Claudia Silva, James Silva, Alexander Slaybaugh, Joshua Smith, Bridget Stephenson, A Swope, Julie Thompson, Kevin Turner, Valerie Velez, Michael Villarreal, Michael Warren, Elizabeth West, Jessica White, Ashley Willis, Zachary Windhorst and Jeffrey Woodington.

Seventh Grade
All A's
Schuyler Davis, Patrick Dunigan, Samantha Ford, Kylie Green, Clifford Henthorn, Rocky Ivey, Michelle Lee, Christopher Lewis, Arriott Manning, Randa Morris, Misti Northcutt, Sara Scott, Taylor Stellman, Kelley Stowers, Madalena Velasquez, Leslie Ward, William Warren, Morgan White and Jason Young.

A's and B's
Olivia Anderson, Rhianna Anglin, Dirk Archer, Jessica Baggett, Cory Bigham, Jake Bolin, Chandler Bowers, Ryan Bradley, Jonathan Brooks, Nathanael Carpenter, Stacie Carter, Richard Conner, Brenna Coutts, Cali Covalt, Charles Craig, Matthew Crow and Raquel Deleon.

Ashley Derington, Chesney Driggers, Tanner Dyer, Greg Easley, Ty Elledge, Mark Elliott, Jarred Etheredge, Ashley Everson, Rebecca Fatheree, Kyle

Francis, Andrea Gallagher, Shalyn Garner, Michelle Gomez, Karlie Green, Ashley Hathcoat, Nathanael Hill, Robert Hoover and Ashlee Hunt.

All A's
Samantha Jasso, Matthew Jennings, Dustin Johnson, Jonathan Johnson, Sabrina Johnson, Jared Jones, Ashlei Jordan, Justin Juan, Aaron Keller, Erik Keller, Karen Kirkwood, John Knipp, Natasha Kraemer, Heather Lee and Kyle Leger.

All A's
Collin Lewis, Jennifer Lindsey, Cortney Locknane, Shelby McGahen, Evan Miller, Edson Miranda, Courtney Moreland, Lindsey Narron, Ryan Nash, Abbey Parker, Heather Parry, Daniel Passini, Priti Patel, Kandra Poole, Janelle Powers, Courtney Ritchey and Adam Rodgers.

All A's
Justin Schwartz, Sammy Shuck, Shelly Sims, A Smith, Shellie Snapp, Jared Spearman, Kristen Stowers, Bradley Stucker, Ashley Stucki, Sarah Teague, Christopher Tice, Callie Veal, Desiree Vigil, Justin Waggoner, Jennifer Warren, Aaron Willis, Asia Wilson, Lisa Wilson and Jarrett Woodington.

Eighth Grade
All A's
Chris Alexander, Lorena Baker, Gerald Banner, Ryan Black, Stephanie Blankenship, Tiffany Boyd, Shanna Buck, Ashleigh Burns, Ryan Chambers, Kira Chumbley, Carrie Coutts, Maegan Dyer-Lusk, Dori Edens, Destiny Engel, Anita Hacker, Consuelo Hacker and Joshua Harrison.

Rebecca Jentzen, Christopher Jordan, Ashley Knipp, Deana Leshner, Holly Myers, Brandy Odom, Kandy Odom, Amanda Rains, Ryan Sells, Chris

Shaffer, Aimee Stephenson, Trevor Stowers, Shawn Strate, Meredith Young and Katherine Zemanek.

A's and B's
Daniel Abernathy, Jared Allen, Alexis Amador, Angel Armstrong, Heath Bentley, Samantha Bishop, Rick Blain, Jessica Blandford, Colby Brazile, Victor Brooks, Casey Brookshire, April Brown, Brooke Brown, Jason Burklow, Lance Burton, Beatriz Cabrales, Stefartie Caldwell and Stephanie Cameron.

All A's
Eric Chavez, Jamie Clay, Michael Cornelison, Megan Coutts, Christopher Crow, Lance Defever, Miranda Dyer, Montana Farnum, Robert Fernuik, Tosha Fly, Scott Garza, Crystal Gatlin, Joshua George, Joshua Gibson, Andrew Grabato, Jason Griffith, Jeremy Harper and Cindy Hernandez.

All A's
Timothy Hucks, Travis Lancaster, Lindsay Langford, Melissa Lawrence, Callie McGrady, Cassie Meadows, Casey Meharg, April Mobbs, Stephanie Moreno, Britney Morgan, Jessica Morrison, Catherine Morse and Christyn Moutray.

All A's
Charity Nachtigall, Chasity Nachtigall, Lizette Navarrete, Amy Newhouse, Sean O'Neal, Tristan Perry, Sean Pope, Vanessa Portillo, Jennifer Reed, Jason Roark, Oscar Sanchez, Kevin Schaub, Bonnie Schiffman and John Schlewitz.

All A's
Curtis Schroeder, Brian Sealman, April Shorter, Venancio Silva, Amanda Simpler, Kimberly Slaybaugh, Lori Stephens, Jimmy Story, Shane Story, Celeste Stowers, Anthony Tiedt, Jennifer Valingo, Rikke Van Houten, William Wade, Amanda West, Vicki Williams and William Wilson.

Continental pilot confused by two airports, lands Boeing 737 at World War II era air strip

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — It was the right city, but the wrong airport.

A Continental Airlines pilot misjudged the location of Corpus Christi International Airport Sunday and landed a Boeing 737 on a World War II-era auxiliary landing strip 4 1/2 miles away.

"It essentially was pilot error and he landed on the wrong runway," said Continental spokesman Ray Scippa. "It's

unusual, obviously, but it's something that could happen and did."

He said the jet, which took off from Houston with 59 people aboard, landed around 10:40 a.m. at Cabaniss Field.

The runway at Cabaniss is about 3,000 feet shorter than the strip at Corpus Christi International. Passengers had to wait on the plane for almost three hours before buses arrived to take them to the

right airport, said Leah Godfrey, whose nine-year-old son, Stephen, was on the plane.

"The runway was all cracked, not as smooth as the airport runway we usually land on. It looked funny, and it was bumpy," said Stephen, a fourth-grader at Andrews Elementary School in Portland.

"After we landed, the stewardess told us to stay in our seats

and that they had made a mistake."

None of the people aboard Flight 1760 was hurt. The 54 passengers and their luggage were taken by bus to the airport where they were supposed to have flown.

Another crew was sent to take the plane back to Houston, where Continental is based, Scippa said. A Continental spokeswoman said the flight returned to Houston

Intercontinental after 9 p.m. Sunday.

Scippa said the original crew of five members was pulled so the airline could conduct an internal investigation.

"The pilot has said that he thought he was lined up with the right airfield," said Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Roland Herwig, who is based in Oklahoma City. "But the reason is still under investigation."

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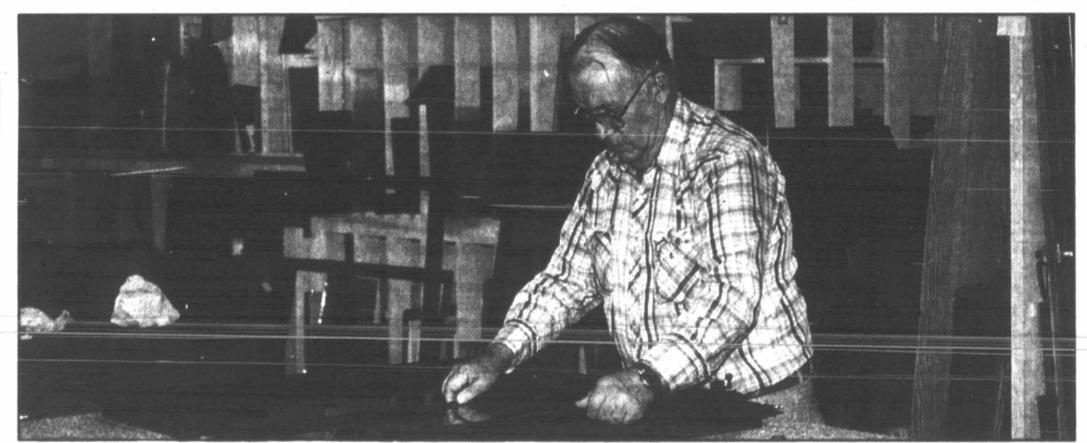
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