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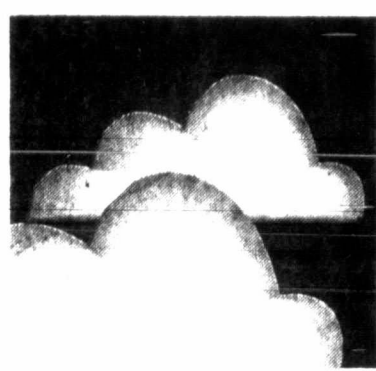
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Low tonight in low 50s.
 High tomorrow in mid
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 weather details.

PAMPA - Registration will be held Friday, May 23, and Thursday, May 29, for the City of Pampa's Summer Recreation program.

The registration will be from 6 to 8 p.m. at the east door of Pampa High School. The cost is \$10 for the first class and \$5 for each additional class.

This year, the classes being offered are arts and crafts, softball, track, computer, gymnastics, cheerleading, golf, soccer and tennis. Each session lasts for one hour, beginning at 8 a.m.

The two sessions will be held June 2-13 and June 16-27. Students signing up for golf, softball, soccer and tennis must provide some of their own equipment, such as golf clubs, softball gloves, protective padding and a tennis racket.

Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis, and approximately 15 students will be allowed in each session.

PAMPA - A craft show will be held Saturday, June 7, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the Family Life Center of the Church of the Nazarene, 500 N. West.

Proceeds from the show will be used for the Children's and Teens Ministries of the Church of the Nazarene.

A snack bar will be open all day, and door prizes will be awarded through the day.

Booths are available on a first come, first serve basis at \$15 per booth. Anyone interested in renting a booth may contact Sharon Williams at (806) 669-0176.

CLARENDON - The Donley County 4-H Clubs are sponsoring booth space for rent on the Clarendon Courthouse lawn during the Saints Roost July 4th celebration.

Each space is \$20, and participants are encouraged to reserve a booth as early as possible.

Contact Becky Jackson, Extension secretary, at (806) 874-2142.

All proceeds will benefit the Donley County 4-H Club for future activities.

PAMPA - St. Mark C.M.E. Church, 407 Elm, will be selling barbecue dinners on Saturday, May 24, beginning at 11 a.m. and continuing until sold out.

Donations are \$6 each for the dinner.

Delivery can be arranged by calling 669-6743, according to the Rev. L.N. Lakey, pastor.

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PEDC members discuss purpose, future projects

By LAURA HALEY
 Staff Writer

Members of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors took the opportunity to explain their purpose and past, present and future projects at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce luncheon Tuesday afternoon.

PEDC board member Wayne Stribling was the first to speak and addressed the effect of economic development on retail sales.

"This type of business (industrial) creates wealth in our community while retail businesses circulate that wealth," Stribling said.

Since 1993, the retail sales have been gradually increasing for the city of Pampa, indicating that more people are shopping in Pampa than before. The controller retail sales figures have

jumped from approximately \$161.8 million in 1993 to \$172.3 million in 1995. Figures for 1996 are not yet available.

This jump in retail sales also increases the amount of revenue for the PEDC, as the organization is funded through a half-cent sales tax. Every year, approximately \$600,000 in revenues is generated for the fund, a cost of approximately \$30 per person in the city of Pampa.

Larry Orman, another member of the PEDC Board of Directors, then addressed the jobs created and/or retained by the economic district using those funds. Since 1994, the board has helped create about 204 jobs and retained 83 jobs in the city of Pampa.

Among those businesses that the PEDC has helped attract or keep in the area include U.S. Bus, Crall Products, Parker & Parker, Control

Equipment and International Compression Systems.

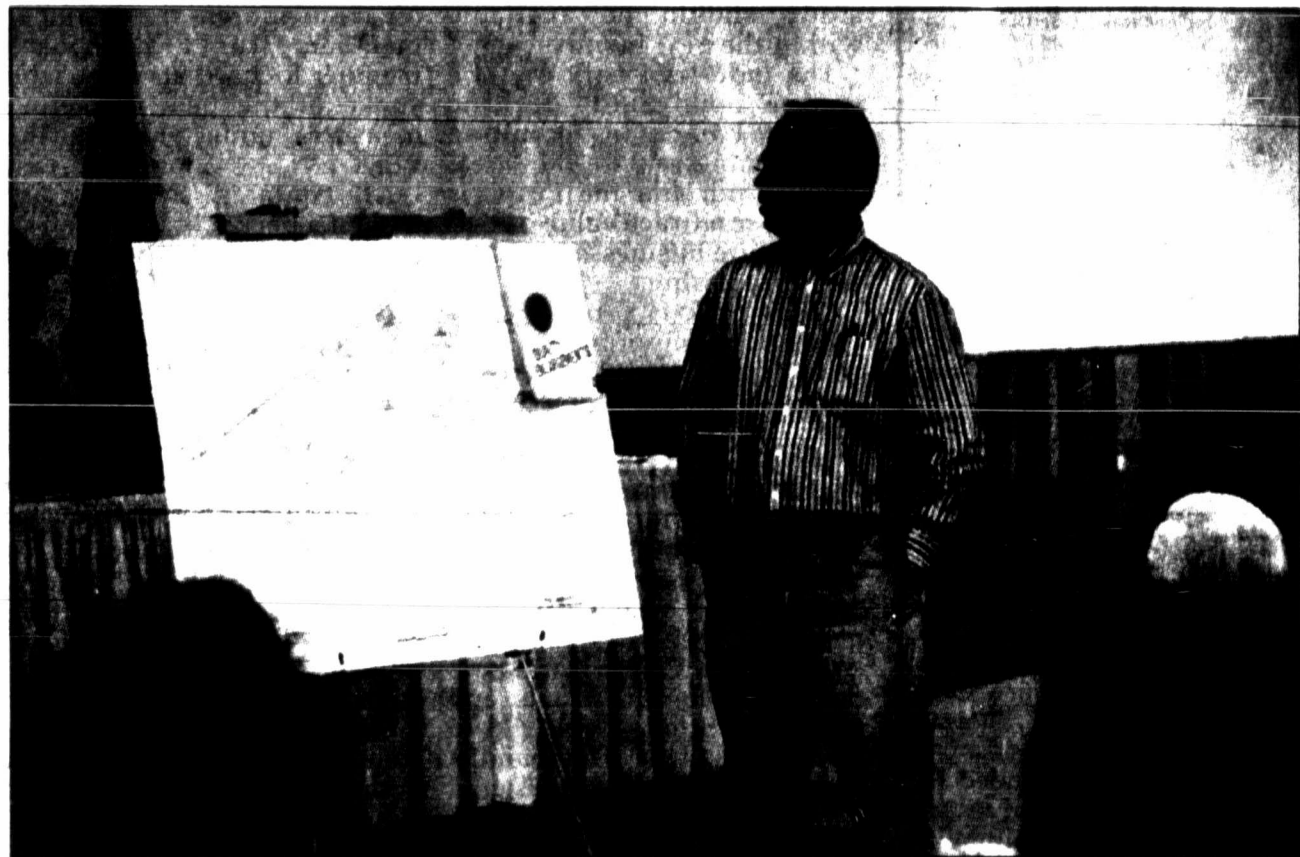
Although Pampa's Economic Development Corporation was begun under the time constraint of 10 years, currently proposed legislation will allow voters to decide if they wish to continue the corporation beyond the allotted 10 years.

Orman addressed this issue slightly by indicating the recruitment of new businesses to the area is a time-consuming process.

"The time it takes for this process to get started is beyond what I ever had on my mind," he told audience members at the Chamber luncheon.

Board member Roger David addressed future projects of the PEDC, in particular the new industrial park currently in the development stage.

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(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

Roger David, a member of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation's board of directors, speaks to audience members at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce luncheon Tuesday about the development of the 213-acre industrial park.

Hearing considers area highway plans

By LAURA HALEY
 Staff Writer

Area residents voted widening State Highway 70 to four lanes with full shoulders from Pampa to Perryton as the top priority at the Texas Department of Transportation public meeting Tuesday night.

The meeting was phase II of the Lubbock to Interstate 10/ Amarillo North Route study, in which area residents were asked to prioritize improvements along routes that affected their area.

The particular route being addressed at the Tuesday night meeting extended along US 60 to Pampa, State Highway 70 to Perryton and US 83 to the Oklahoma border.

After a brief explanation of the study and results of phase I of the project were given, residents were broken into two separate work groups to independently evaluate the proposed improvements of the transportation department.

The results of both work groups were combined to deter-

mine the top four high priority improvements along the route. The top priority with a total of 57 points was widening State Highway 70 from Pampa to Perryton. The second with 48 points was improving the intersection of FM 1912 and US 60 by the IBP plant just outside of Amarillo.

Coming in third in the list of priorities with 47 points was widening Price Road to four lanes from State Highway 152 to State Highway 70. The fourth priority assigned was improving the intersection at Price Road and US 60 with 24 votes.

The top three contenders were rated relatively highly in each work group, suggesting that the needed improvements by residents along the route were very similar.

Other improvements that were suggested and rated near the top were widening US 83 from Perryton to the Oklahoma state border, improving the intersection at US 83 and State Highway 70 and connecting US 60 to Interstate 40 east of Amarillo.

During phase I of the study, the Texas Department of Transportation was suggesting a new freeway be built through the Panhandle. However, after a number of public meetings with area residents in December 1996, the priority changed to improving the existing routes.

In addition to improving the route from Amarillo through Pampa and Perryton to the Oklahoma border, the Texas Department of Transportation is also looking at improvements along six other routes. Results of the public meetings in areas concerning each route will be compiled and presented to the Texas Department of Transportation Commission in August of this year.

The commission will make funding and improvement decisions based on the results of the surveys. In the past year, the funds for improving the highways in the Panhandle has almost doubled to \$76 million, said Tonya Detten, public information officer for the Texas Department of Transportation.



Carrie Michell Urbanczyk
 ... White Deer valedictorian



Rebecca Michelle Kaler
 ... White Deer salutatorian

Urbanczyk, Kaler top White Deer graduates

WHITE DEER - The White Deer High School graduating class of 1997 will be led by Carrie Michell Urbanczyk, valedictorian, and Rebecca Michelle Kaler, salutatorian, during its commencement exercises Friday, May 23, at 7 p.m. at the school.

Urbanczyk is the daughter of Jerry and Donna Urbanczyk of White Deer and has a grade point average of 3.89. She plans on attending Texas Tech University in the fall and pursuing a career in physical therapy.

During her high school career, Urbanczyk has been active in Future Farmers of America, where she served as vice president for two years, president for one year and Top of Texas president for one year; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; National Honor Society, where she served as vice president for one year; the Spanish Club; Catholic Youth Organization; and Who's Who in Academics.

Urbanczyk has been awarded the citizenship award for three years and was a homecoming queen candidate and a Miss White Deer High School candidate. She also served as football manager for two years and on the Student Council for two years.

Athletics include participation

in basketball, three years; cross country, three years; and tennis, track and golf, one year. Urbanczyk was a regional qualifier in track and was named All-District Academic in Basketball.

Kaler is the daughter of James Kaler and the late Jan Kaler of White Deer. She has a grade point average of 3.8 and plans on attending Texas Christian University in the fall. Kaler hopes to pursue a degree in elementary education and psychology.

She has been involved in the National Honor Society, Band, the Spanish Club, Future Homemakers of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Future Farmers of America, One-Act Play and Student Council.

Kaler was named a Tandy Scholar and was awarded the Above and Beyond to Call of Duty in the band. She has achieved academic recognition in math and won the Semper Fidelis Award for Musical Excellence from the American Musical Foundation.

Kaler has achievement awards in Chemistry II, English IV, Business Computer Applications and Biology II. She was elected Most Likely to Succeed by her classmates.

Joseph Robert Hudson to be graduate of Christian School

Joseph Robert Hudson, 18, will be graduating from the Pampa Christian School at 6:30 p.m. today.

The commencement exercises will be held at the Bible Baptist Church, located on the corner of Starkweather and Kingsmill.

Hudson, son of Bob and Marilyn Hudson, will be receiving the National Honors Award Certificate from the School of Tomorrow in Lewisville, Texas. He is graduating with a 3.9 grade point average.

He has attended the Pampa Christian School for the last four years. He lettered in basketball and was voted the Most Valuable Player by his coaches and teammates. He also has been awarded a Christian Character trophy each of the last four years.

His other accomplishments include speech honors, scripture memorization, Honor Roll, School Spirit and outstanding participation in school fund raisers.



Joseph Robert Hudson

Hudson's plans include attending Oklahoma Baptist College, where he will be majoring in World Missions. Upon graduation from college, he will be serving in the mission field as directed by the Lord.

Assembly honors first inductees in Harvester Hall of Fame

The first inductees of the Pampa High School Harvester Hall of Fame were met with honor and style at the Tuesday assembly for the opening ceremonies.

The inductees included R.C. (Ray) Wilson, Class of 1921, posthumous; Dr. Floyd S. Brandt, Class of 1947; Dr. Jim Bond, Class of 1954; J. David Fatheree, Class of 1954; Dr. R. Malcolm Brown Jr., Class of 1957; and Mary Jane Rose Johnson, Class of 1968.

The inductees have met lifetime goals

of education, mission fields, athletics, and even overcoming being just average students to make a name for themselves in their chosen fields.

Scientist, musician, theologian or educator, the one thing all inductees have in common is a high regard for the education which they received in Pampa.

The inductees were chosen by a panel of students, teachers, and faculty for their ambition, drive and input into the community in which they have chosen to live.

Wilson received recognition because of his unique place in the history and traditions of Pampa High School, suggesting the school's green and gold colors and serving as editor of the school's first yearbook.

Brandt has a long history of excellence as a college professor of business and management. He currently is the Marlene and Morton Meyerson Centennial Professor of Business Administration, Department of Management, at the

University of Texas at Austin.

Bond played on the 1953 and 1954 Harvester basketball teams that won PHS its first two state championships. Currently he is the president of Point Loma Nazarene College in San Diego, Calif.

Fatheree, a Pampa insurance man, is known for being the best "cheerleader" of Pampa and Pampa High School. He has attended every PHS class reunion since 1960.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

WILBON, Vera — 2 p.m., St. Mark's CME Church, Pampa.
WUEST, Gilbert "Gil" — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

Obituaries

GILBERT 'GIL' WUEST

Gilbert "Gil" Wuest, 88, of Pampa, died Tuesday, May 20, 1997. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Virgil Smith, visitation minister of the First United Methodist Church, and Jean Martindale officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Wuest was born Nov. 26, 1908, at Schertz, Texas. He married Amelia "Amy" Thompson in 1959. He had been a Pampa resident since 1973, moving from Amarillo. He was a professional bowler, managing lanes for 50 years including Western Bowl in Amarillo and Harvester Lanes in Pampa. He also worked for Centennial Realty in Pampa and for West Texas Ford Lincoln Mercury as a transport driver.

Survivors include his wife, Amy, of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, Charles and Shelly Wuest and Richard and Crystal Wuest, all of Austin; and a granddaughter, Kelsey Wuest of Austin.



Sheriff's Office

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

Arrests

TUESDAY, May 20

Dennis Lee Holman, 37, 1715 Holly Lane, was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance and parole violations. He was released to Hutchinson County.
 Greg Keith Lang, 26, 321 Henry, was arrested on probation violation charges. He remains in custody.
 Onghel Kwane Burnley, 19, 1076 Varnon Dr., was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance and parole violations. He was released to Hutchinson County.
 Juan Carlos Silva, 23, 520 Yeager, was arrested on charges of forgery. He remains in custody.

Accidents

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

TUESDAY, May 20

A legally parked 1959 red Chevrolet Bel Air owned by Danny Ray Malone, 620 Malone, was struck by an unknown vehicle. No charges were filed.
 A 1997 blue Ford F-150 driven by Mitzi Renee McClelland, 24, 716 E. 14th St., collided with a 1979 red Ford F-250 driven by Ralph L. Lee, 57, 1030 Clark, in the 300 block of North Hobart. McClelland was cited for following too closely. Lee was cited for no driver's license and no proof of liability insurance.
 A 1994 gray Geo Metro driven by Scott Edward Hastings, 16, of White Deer, crashed into a stop sign in the 1200 block of North Hobart. No charges were filed.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	3.76	Chevron	69 7/8	dn 1/2
Milo	4.07	Coca-Cola	68 1/8	dn 1/4
Corn	4.75	Columbia/HCA	36 7/8	dn 3/8
		Enron	41 1/8	up 1/4
		Halliburton	75 7/8	up 7/8
		Ingersoll Rand	51 3/4	up 1/4
		KNE	40 1/8	up 1/8
		Kerr-McGee	62 7/8	dn 3/4
		Limited	19 3/8	NC
		Mapco	31 3/8	NC
		McDonald's	51 1/4	dn 3/8
		Occidental	23 1/8	dn 3/8
		New Atmos	23 1/4	NC
		Parker & Parsley	35 3/8	up 1/4
		Phillips	42	up 3/8
		Penney's	50 1/2	up 1/8
		SLB	120 5/8	up 1 1/4
		SPS	37 1/2	NC
		Tenneco	33 1/2	dn 3/8
		Texaco	112 3/8	dn 1/4
		Ultramar	31 3/8	up 1/8
		Wal-Mart	30 3/8	dn 1/8
		New York Gold	342.30	NC
		Silver	4.64	NC
		West Texas Crude	22.57	NC

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Magellan	86.70	Mapco	31 3/8	NC
Puritan	18.69	McDonald's	51 1/4	dn 3/8

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

Edwards Jones & Co. of Pampa	87 1/2	dn 1/4
Amoco	144 1/8	up 3/8
Arco	24 7/8	dn 1/4
Cabot	18 3/8	dn 1/4
Cabot O&G	18 3/8	dn 1/4

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

Calendar of events

TRALEE CRISIS GROUP COUNSELING

Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler, is offering group counseling for battered and abused women 11 a.m. to noon Mondays. Facilitator is Priscilla Klempeter, LMFT. For more information, call Ann Hamilton at 669-1131. Space is limited. Call ahead.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

Narcotics Anonymous, a new non-profit group to aid people having problems with the use of narcotics, will have meetings at 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1121 S. Hobart. For more information, call 669-6260 or 669-2665.

PANHANDLE PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

The Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 22, at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston. New officers will be elected for a two-year term beginning in June. Visitors are welcome.

SKELLY-GETTY-TEXACO RETIREES CLUB

The Skelly-Getty-Texaco Retirees Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 22, at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

Fires

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

TUESDAY, May 20

3:52 p.m. - Three units and five personnel responded to Montagu and Faulkner on a downed power line.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700

Ambulance

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

TUESDAY, May 20

9:18 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 700 block of East Kingsmill on an injury. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

11:12 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of South Clark on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

11:46 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to Baptist St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

Police report

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

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A theft of a license plate was reported in the 1000 block of South Wells.

WEDNESDAY, May 21

An assault with injuries was reported in the 1100 block of South Nelson.

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Assembly

Brown is a renowned scientist and currently serves as Professor Botany, Johnson & Johnson Centennial Chair in Plant Cell Biology at the University of Texas at Austin.

Johnson has won numerous vocal competitions over the years and has had an outstanding operatic career including leading roles in the Metropolitan Opera Company in New York City and numerous other opera houses all over the world.

PISD school board members

John Curry, Jay Johnson, Pat Kennedy, Sue Fatheree, Lee Porter and former member Phil Vanderpool commemorated the event with plaques and congratulations to each of the inductees.

Tuesday's ceremony was the first to add to the long list of traditions which honors PISD graduates. More inductees will be honored in the future, and all will have to live up to the standards set by the initial group of inductees.

Presiding over the induction ceremony was student body President Kyle Easley. The PHS

Eagle Scouts presented the colors, and the Harvester Band and Concert Choir performed "The Star Spangled Banner" and, at the closing, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Principal John Kendall delivered the welcoming remarks, and PISD Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr brought greetings from the school district and provided closing remarks. Student body Vice President Devin Lemons provided introductions.

Conducting the ceremony of induction for the PHS Hall of Fame were Easley, Lemons, Meredith Hite and Keely Topper.

Parks, Recreation Board to elect new officers

Board officers will be elected at the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting Thursday, May 22, at 6 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

In addition to electing officers, members of the advisory board will also be discussing the development of a

skate boarding area for local kids. The discussion centers around a request by two Pampa High School seniors, Matt Haesle

and Dakota Defertiller. The teenagers told board members that there is presently no place for them to skateboard and they were hoping the city could establish an area.

Both teenagers are expected to be present at the Thursday night meeting with a more detailed request for the skate boarding area.

Another item on the agenda includes development of the new Dr. V. E. Von Brunow park adja-

cent to the Veterans of Foreign Wars building in downtown Pampa. Both John Triplehorn, representing the VFW, and Darlene Birkes, representing the Gray County Historical Foundation and the Foundation for Outdoor Art, will address the board concerning this issue.

The super playground, wild-scape plans and the water bill donation report will also be discussed at the meeting. The public is invited to attend.

Superintendent's Scholars



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Through the years the number of Pampa High School honor students and particularly students who qualify as Superintendent's Scholar has continued to increase. The Class of 1997 claims 11 top students for this honor. The scholars were honored at the annual Honors Banquet on Tuesday night. The Superintendent's Scholars are Ann Carmichael, Hugh Craddock, salutatorian Heather Fernuik, Keith Jacoby, valedictorian Jennifer Jones, Kathryn Anne Killebrew, Mitsziko Mechler, Amy Rainey, Beverly Schiffman, Robert Venal and Thorban Weaver. The Honors Banquet also honored the academic top 10 percent of the graduates for 1997.

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PEDC

The 213-acre tract of land is located along Loop 171, north of the city lake at Recreation Park and south of Tyng Road. A development study is currently being conducted by Weber/Smith Engineering firm and the results of the study should be available within the next month.

The industrial park offers a unique opportunity for the city of Pampa in recruiting new businesses to the area, David said, and the PEDC is hoping to attract value-added agriculture businesses, such as food processing.

"This park is probably one of the more important projects we will do," said PEDC board president Lewis Meers.

David explained that the industrial park will be a very effective tool in attracting future businesses.

The process of recruiting new businesses will begin once development of the area is completed, said David. Development of the area is expected to be completed by early next year.

Last to address the Chamber members was PEDC board member Richard Stowers, who spoke of the new marketing measures undertaken by the PEDC.

All contacts, he said, are mailed a packet of information about Pampa, Gray County and resources available. Any interested contacts can send back a request for more information, at which time they will be mailed a horseshoe,

urging them to "nail down" their business in Pampa.

Any contacts wanting even more information will then be sent a black bandana and a tape of "real" Texas music and further information urging them to "place their roots" in the Panhandle.

The marketing strategy is an effort to keep Pampa on the forefront of any new business contacts wishing to relocate.

Because most brochures and information are often overlooked, the PEDC's strategy is to give the contacts something a little different to promote the area.

By developing a unique marketing strategy, the PEDC is paving the road for the future recruitment of potential businesses to the area, said Stowers.

Registration under way for Girl Scout summer camps

Registration for summer resident and day camps at Girl Scout Camp Kiwanis is in full swing; a few openings are still available.

Girl Scout Camp Kiwanis is open both to Girl Scouts and non-Girl Scouts ages 6-16 throughout the Panhandle. Those who are not registered Girl Scouts must pay an additional \$25 fee or join Girl Scouts for \$6.

The camping sessions run from June 8 to July 25, with sessions from two or three days in

length to one or two weeks.

Camp fees range from \$50 for two days to \$160 for 13 days, with most one-week (6-day) sessions costing \$100. Specialized programs, like water aids or advanced horseback riding, cost more. A canoeing unit is available, as well as a "Cameras, Lights, Action" session for would-be performers.

Other camp activities include swimming, tennis, volleyball, archery, horseback riding, and arts and crafts. Interested persons may obtain a camp booklet

with details of the various camp sessions from the Pampa council office, 836 W. Foster, phone 669-6862 or 1-800-439-4475.

The camp accommodates about 90 girls per week, and "popular sessions fill up quickly," said Natalie Stephenson, camp director.

Children with disabilities are welcome. Parents or guardians of children with special needs should contact the council to discuss the best placement for their child. Financial assistance is available.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, cloudy with a chance for showers. Low in the low 50s with southerly winds 10-20 mph. Thursday, cloudy with chance for showers and thunderstorms. High in mid 70s with southerly winds 10-20 mph. Tuesday's high was 69; the overnight low was 49. Pampa received a trace of moisture in the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. today.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, cloudy with chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in low to mid 50s. Thursday, partly sunny with chance of showers and thunderstorms. High in low to mid 70s. South Plains: Tonight, chance of showers. Lows 53-60. Thursday,

chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs 73-80.

North Texas - Tonight through Thursday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain or thunderstorms. Lows 63 to 66. Highs Thursday 72 to 79.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight and Thursday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of mainly evening showers or thunderstorms. Lows in mid 60s, near 60 Hill Country. Thursday, highs in upper 70s. Upper Coast: Tonight and Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of mainly evening showers or thunderstorms. Lows in mid 60s inland to mid 70s coast. Thursday, highs in mid 80s inland to low 80s coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight and Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunder-

storms. Lows in upper 60s coast to near 70 inland. Thursday, highs near 80 coast to low 80s inland.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, variable clouds with scattered showers and evening thunderstorms. Locally heavy rains possible along the central mountains. Lows in mid 30s and 40s mountains with upper 40s and 50s at lower elevations. Thursday, partly cloudy with scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Highs in the 60s to mid 70s mountains and north with mid 70s to mid 80s south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in mid 50s to low 60s. Thursday, continued cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in low and mid 70s.

City briefs

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PIZZA HUT Delivery open for breakfast 7-11 a.m. Carry out or delivery. 665-0887. Adv.

GRADUATION MONOGRAMMING. The Stchin' Barn. Walnut Creek. 669-3543. Adv.

WILLIAMS SIGNS - "Nick" (Now Open). Commercial and Industrial Signage, Hand Paint and Vinyl Signs, Plastic Letters, Vinyl Letters, Sandblasted Signs. 669-3879, Pampa, Tx. Adv.

WHITE DEER Land Museum: Photography by Darlene Holmes. Gallery, Tuesday-Sunday, 1-4 p.m. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Wednesday, 5-8 p.m. Meat loaf, fried chicken, spaghetti and meatballs, chicken fried steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

CALORAD DIETARY supplementation at Pampa Communications. Weight loss, loss of inches, firmer muscles, higher energy level, improved sleep and much more! 641 N. Hobart, 665-1663. Adv.

GRANDVIEW-HOPKINS Annual Barbecue, Thursday 22nd, 12 noon at the School. Bring cover dish. Adv.

ST. MATTHEW'S Day School still enrolling for 1997-98, 3 year olds, 4 year olds, Pre-K, Kindergarten, Daycare. Classes filling. Spaces limited. Come by 727 W. Browning, or call 665-0703. Adv.

PAGER COVERAGE areas now includes Nationwide coverage at Pampa Communications. Voice mail available. 800 pager #. 641 N. Hobart, 665-1663. Adv.

PAMPA HIGH School Choir variety Show, May 22nd, 7 p.m. at the M.K. Brown Auditorium. Adv.

PAMPA ATHLETIC Club Billiard, snooker, darts, beverage, food, music, Tuesday night pool tournament. 114 S. Frost. Adv.

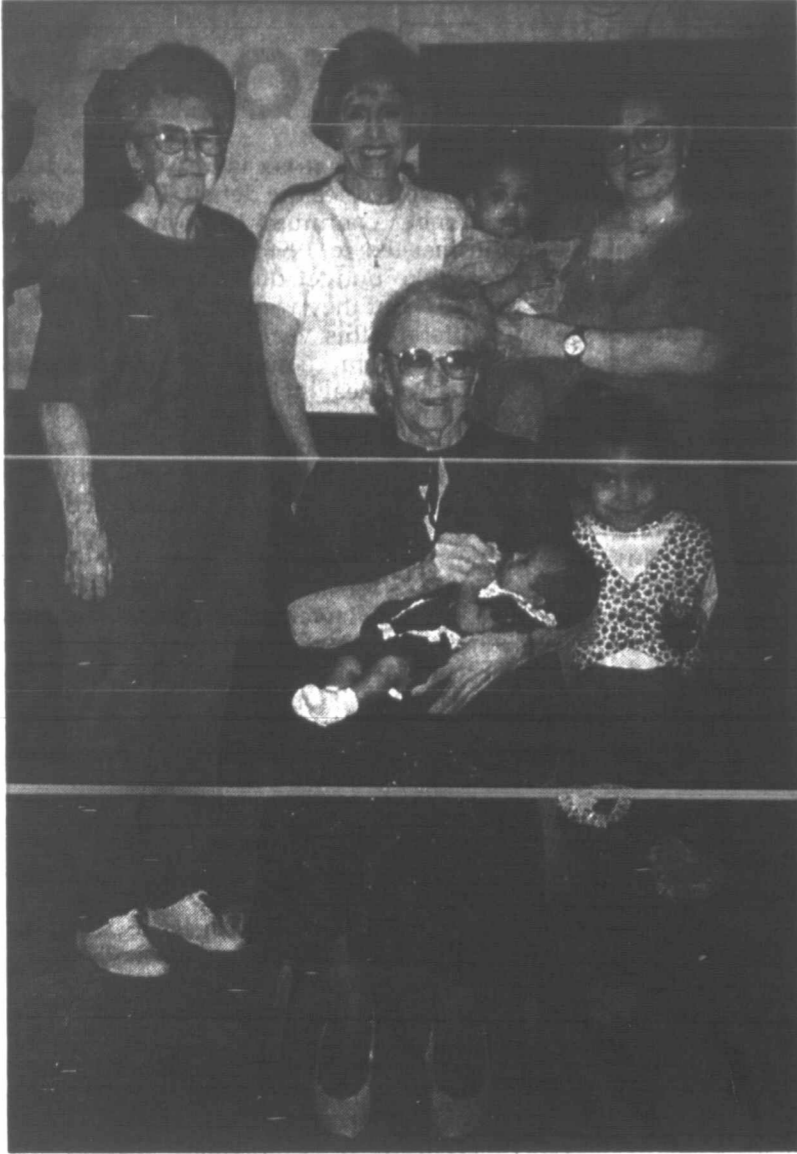
LADIES NIGHT! Thursday night at the Landmark. Come check out the specials and the DJ. Membership required. Kitchen now open. 618 W. Foster, 665-4404. Adv.

EARLY DEADLINES for advertising in the Pampa News due to coming holiday! Questions - call 669-2525. Adv.
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Five generations



(Courtesy photo provided by Evelyn White)

Ada Pashon, age 93, celebrates having a fifth-generation family with her daughter, Evelyn White; granddaughter, Karen Barnes; and great-granddaughter, Kim Farmer, and her three great-great granddaughters. Pictured are, standing from left, Evelyn White, Karen Barnes and Zana Steele, held by her mother, Kim Farmer; seated, Ada Pashon, who is holding Whitney Steele, and next to her is Ashley Farmer.

Two get probated sentence, fine in drug interdiction case

WHEELER — Two of three people arrested by state troopers along Interstate 40 earlier this month in connection with a drug interdiction program were free today after pleading guilty in 31st District Court in Wheeler.

Michael Ray Eubanks Jr., 27, and Cheryl Jo Wolf, 25, pleaded guilty Monday in Judge M. Kent Sims 31st District Court here to possession of controlled substance charges, a third degree felony. The pair received a five-year deferred adjudication probation and were each ordered to pay a \$1,500 fine along with court costs and attorney fees.

The pair were arrested May 6 along with Clifford Dale Anderson, who was with them, when a Department of Public Safety drug task force from the weights and measures division pulled them over on I-40 near Shamrock.

Officers found what appeared to be a pound of methamphetamine in one bag and smaller quantities in a black traveling case along with bagging material and drug paraphernalia in the U-Haul truck Wolf was driving.

Anderson, who claimed the bag with the suspected drugs, was indicted Monday by a Wheeler County grand jury for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. He remains in Wheeler County jail

in lieu of a \$50,000 bond.

Testifying separately, Eubanks and Wolf said they had moved from Little Rock, Ark., to a motel in Las Vegas, Nev., about three to four months ago where they had met Anderson and a man identified only as Donald.

The pair testified that the two men had made drugs available to them, and when Wolf wanted to return to Little Rock to see her parents for Mother's Day, Anderson paid for a U-Haul truck for the trip. Wolf said Anderson indicated he needed to travel to Virginia to pick up a car.

The pair testified that while they knew Anderson was carrying some methamphetamine with him, they did not know he had such a large amount.

As part of the deferred judgment (the charges will be dropped if they complete the five-year probation), the pair agreed to interviews with the Drug Enforcement Agency and FBI and they agreed to testify against Anderson in state and federal court.

Eubanks indicated that he would return to his work as a carpet layer and that he wanted to marry Wolf.

"We're planning to get married July 1," Eubanks told Judge Sims. "I love her."

In other court action in Wheeler, Gaspar

Esparza III, 21, pleaded guilty to burglary charges and was sentenced Monday in 31st District Court to two years probation, a \$750 fine and restitution.

Authorities said the charges stem from a July 30, 1995, incident in which the men and one juvenile were accused of breaking into J's Canway, a Shamrock convenience store and bus stop and taking a variety of items including cigarettes.

Esparza was the last of the three men to be convicted. The three owe \$2,575.27 in restitution.

Also, two men involved in a fight at a Shamrock dance pleaded guilty to assault charges Monday in 31st District Court.

Jesus Valdez Pena, 36, and Michael Jonathan Delacruz, 20, were each sentenced by 31st District Judge M. Kent Sims Monday to 60 days in county jail and a \$500 fine in connection with a fight June 1, 1996, at a dance in Shamrock.

The two men attacked a third in the bathroom at a dance, authorities said, beating him and kicking him in the face.

Officers said Pena sped away from the dance following the attack, striking several people with his car. Pena was arrested eight miles south of Shamrock after a high speed chase with speeds reaching 120 miles an hour.

City reminds residents of alley tree, trimmings debris ordinance

Residents will no longer be able to leave their tree and shrub trimmings in the alleys for city trash pickup.

An ordinance passed in May 1996 changed the procedure for the city to pick up this type of debris, charging residents a fee based on the cubic feet of the loads.

The city has not enforced the ordinance in the past because of the massive amount of debris already collecting in the alleys. However, now that the alleys have been

completely cleared, any new tree and shrub trimmings in the alley will be collected at a charge.

The charge is \$10 per load for any level pickup load 80 cubic feet or less. The charge for level pickup loads that are 330 cubic feet or less is \$25 per load. Any debris over 330 cubic feet will be charged based on a quoted price.

Residents have the option of adding the costs for the city to pick up their debris onto their water bills or paying in advance for the pickup in the water utility office. Of course,

residents not wishing to pay the city for pick up services also have the option of hauling the debris themselves to the landfill.

This ordinance was passed by the city commissioners in May 1996 to address the increasing number of residents taking advantage of this free service. Initially, debris pick up of tree and shrub trimmings was at no charge to residents to help those who are elderly, incapacitated or had no means of hauling the debris to the landfill themselves.

Driver license bill sent to governor

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans would pay a one-time fee for their driver's license until they turn 60 and would renew their license every six years instead of every four under a bill sent to Gov. George W. Bush.

Under the measure, by Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo, a graduated scale would go into effect, and younger drivers would pay a higher one-time fee for a license than older drivers.

The House approved Senate amendments to the bill on a vote of 91-47 on Tuesday. Bush's office said the governor hadn't yet decided if he would sign the bill.

The measure would require drivers who are 18 to 24 years old to pay a one-time fee of \$85; drivers 25 to 34 would pay \$75; those 35 to 44 would pay \$60; drivers 45 to 49 would pay \$40; drivers 50 to 54 would pay \$20; and drivers 55 to 59 would pay \$16.

Once drivers reach the age of 60, they would fall back under the current law, which requires license renewal every four years with a fee of \$16.

The legislation does not affect drivers under 18. They would

still pay \$16 until they turn 18.

The new fees would kick in the first time a driver obtains or renews a license after Dec. 1.

Those who leave Texas after paying the fee but then move back would be required to pay the fee again if they had gotten a new license in another state or let their Texas license expire.

Cuellar said even though young drivers would pay more initially, they would pay less over the lifetime of their driver's license. He said most 18-year-old drivers would end up paying close to \$200 in license renewal fees under the current system.

"Under this plan, the younger drivers save money," Cuellar said.

The bill would generate \$243 million in the first two years and provide enough money to the state's General Revenue Fund to pay for a \$100-per-month raise for state employees.

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Opinion

Court ruling not very remarkable

The news that a federal judge said the U.S. Food and Drug Administration can regulate tobacco products as drugs, grabbed headlines last month. The ruling wasn't as profound as some on both sides of the issue suggest.

And the details of the decision cut both ways in the campaign against tobacco. Put another way, the Raleigh, N.C.-based U.S. District Court judge didn't make a sweeping declaration concerning either the constitutional rights of tobacco companies to peddle their wares or the regulatory power of the federal government to rein in the private sector.

In a nutshell, the judge said only that under the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, which established the FDA, the agency can "impose access restrictions and labeling requirements on tobacco products" but "lacks the authority to restrict their advertising and promotion." That is already the case with respect to other products used with FDA oversight.

The judge was simply saying that tobacco is fair game for inclusion in that broad category. So the government may do things like require stores to demand photo identification from people in their 20s. But tobacco's advertising - notwithstanding special broadcast restrictions imposed long ago by the Federal Communications Commission - also must be treated the same way as for other products regulated under FDA powers. No additional restraints are allowed.

Tobacco's obvious hazard aside, there are plenty of Americans who see in Washington's latest anti-tobacco endeavors a disturbing expansion of government at the expense not just of private enterprise, but also of individual choice in a free market.

Hard as it is for some of the federal tobacco warriors to accept, people do choose to smoke. As for kids, it is already illegal for them to buy tobacco almost everywhere, and in many places around the country it's becoming illegal for them even to possess the stuff.

That said, it's hard to get too worked up over this ruling. It wasn't in itself astounding that a judge would find a hotly debated substance like tobacco to be ripe for regulation. After all, far less controversial matters routinely are scrutinized by this agency with impunity, for better or for worse. Certainly, we have profound constitutional reservations about the size and scope of the FDA, but that applies as well to much of today's federal bureaucracy.

Meanwhile, the judge's rejection of the administration's Draconian advertising curbs - things like a ban on tobacco billboards within 1,000 feet of a school or playground, or a requirement that all tobacco ads in publications read significantly by teens be limited to black and white text - wasn't all that reassuring to defenders of free speech. The judge didn't link his finding to the First Amendment, after all. He just said the proposed advertising strictures weren't within the FDA's power.

Put another way, those who wish to hobble tobacco use at almost any cost will have to settle for half a loaf in waging their war. Those who worry more about the federal behemoth at this point also won't find much solace in the courts and have to await elected leaders who press for more sensible policies.

Thought for today

"Eternal law has arranged nothing better than this, that it has given us one way in to life, but many ways out."

Seneca, Epistulae Morales

The media's budget approach

There are really two debates unfolding over the federal budget. One is political - Democrats vs. Republicans, or the deal-makers in the "middle" vs. the "extremes" on either end who oppose the deal.

The other debate is clarity vs. confusion. In a new Joint Economic Committee report, economist Hayden Bryan notes that "the complexity, duplication, and drawn-out nature of the formulation of budget policy make the public's understanding of policy, and policy makers' accountability for decisions, less clear."

In a process now fraught with ambiguity and technical mumbo-jumbo about appropriations and authorizations, Bryan's watch words are "transparency," a clear budget process that can be watched and understood without a Ph.D. in public finance, and "accountability," since politicians who bury the public in debt (see the 1990 budget deal) have been strangely honored by the media as "deficit hawks."

Few politicians are bold enough to be for "transparency," or for an honest debate over the proper functions of government. The Democrats would have trouble arguing their entitlement-hungry constituencies deserve doubled budgets every five years. The Republicans tried a more forthright approach to budgets, only to be clobbered by misleading - if not downright untrue - special-interest ads. Both sides now seek to make budget decisions out of the media spotlight. Watching the media's performance, you want to ask who would blame them?

No one seems more invested in budgetary confusion than the liberal media. Much like Hillary Clinton, they disdain dry facts in search of a gripping narrative with good guys and bad guys, and they quite like the whopper of a fairy tale they've got. You know, the one about how Democrats have fought the nasty Republicans over the drastic last 15 years of ruthless spending



L. Brent Bozell

cuts against the poor. (Of course, when that fairy tale is exposed, they simply spin another one: how the government debt was neat and tiny until Ronald Reagan flooded us with deficits because he cut taxes. Most incredibly, this fable assumes that Democrats were all voted out of office in the early 1980s and had nothing to do with increasing spending.)

In 1990, Tom Bethell discovered something revolutionary, and yet appallingly simple, about the media's budget coverage: it never includes the most basic of numbers. How much will the federal government spend this year? How much did it spend last year? And how much in 2002? Nobody will tell you. Why? One, because it might involve reading the budget instead of somebody's talking points. And two, because all the talk of "cuts" looks hilarious when the overall budget grows by \$100 billion or so each year.

Go back to the TV coverage of the 1990 budget deal. None of the networks used this barest measure of the budget. Instead, they all relayed the rhetoric of the politicians that it "will reduce the deficit by \$500 billion over five years." Instead, it was followed by the largest deficits in American history.

Throughout the Reagan and Bush years - in 1982, 1984, 1987 and 1989 - bipartisan budget agreements passed and reporters passed on

politicians' claims that tax increases and spending cuts would reduce the deficit. But the overall budget number continued to grow. ABC's Ann Compton insisted in 1990: "Tonight, both sides say that unlike budget deals of the past, these cuts are real." But they weren't. So why would it be any different this year? Back at ABC, Peter Jennings was again championing the dealmakers: "The budget deal includes \$135 billion in tax cuts, \$350 billion in spending cuts." In the next breath, Jennings announced "the largest spending cuts will come from restraining the growth of Medicare." Will someone get Peter a dictionary and fold the corner of the page with the definition of "cut" on it?

Or take ABC's Karla Davis the next night, who tried to convince viewers that Clinton was more of a spending cutter than Ronald Reagan: "The plan calls for \$115 billion in savings in Medicare. It's the biggest reduction in a social program ever endorsed by a president. Even President Reagan, painted by critics as the destroyer of the social safety net, didn't rein in Medicare spending. It grew from \$45 billion to \$90 billion during his two terms." It doesn't get more awful than that. How can Davis call something the "biggest reduction ever," when it will continue to increase? Clinton's own budget declares that Medicare outlays will increase 54% without any changes. With his historical "reduction," it will increase instead a teeny weeny 46%.

Increasingly, in journalism as well as in politics, the budget discussion is not split between liberals and conservatives, but between clarity and confusion. The opposite of the current reporting paradigm is not conservative bias. It's full disclosure. If the media cannot provide the public with the most elementary budget basics, it's not about liberal bias. It's about denying the public the tools to make informed political decisions for themselves.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, May 21, the 141st day of 1997. There are 224 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 21, 1927, Charles A. Lindbergh landed his Spirit of St. Louis near Paris, completing the first solo airplane flight across the Atlantic Ocean.

On this date: In 1542, Spanish explorer Hernando De Soto died while searching for gold along the Mississippi River.

In 1832, the first Democratic National Convention got under way, in Baltimore.

In 1840, New Zealand was

declared a British colony.

In 1881, Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross.

In 1892, the opera "I Pagliacci," by Ruggiero Leoncavallo, was first performed, in Milan, Italy.

In 1924, 14-year-old Bobby Franks was murdered in a "thrill killing" committed by Nathan Leopold Jr. and Richard Loeb, two students at the University of Chicago.

In 1956, the United States exploded the first airborne hydrogen bomb over Bikini Atoll in the Pacific.

In 1959, the musical "Gypsy," inspired by the life of stripper Gypsy Rose Lee, opened on Broadway.

In 1968, the nuclear-powered U.S. submarine Scorpion, with 99 men

aboard, was last heard from. (The remains of the sub were later found on the ocean floor 400 miles southwest of the Azores.)

In 1979, former San Francisco City Supervisor Dan White was convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the deaths of Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk.

Ten years ago: In the wake of the Iraqi attack on the U.S. frigate Stark that claimed 37 lives, the Senate approved a proposal requiring President Reagan to send Congress a report detailing the threat to U.S. ships in the Persian Gulf.

Five years ago: The Coast Guard announced that high-seas interdiction of Haitian refugees was being

drastically scaled back because refugee camps at the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo, Cuba, were filled.

One year ago: At least 615 people, many of them teen-agers, drowned when an overloaded Tanzanian ferry capsized in Lake Victoria.

Today's Birthdays: Novelist Harold Robbins is 81. Actress-TV personality Peggy Cass is 73. Actor Rick Jason is 71. Actor David Groh is 58. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ron Isley (The Isley Brothers) is 56. Singer Leo Sayer is 49. Actress Carol Potter ("Beverly Hills 90210") is 49. Actor Mr. T is 45. Music producer Stan Lynch (formerly with Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers) is 42. Actor Judge Reinhold is 40.

EEOC regulations are plain nutty

Now if Richard McLaren, the biggest nut in three counties, maybe four, had only applied to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for relief!

Might not the commission have listened with interest as he outlined his grievances?

"So, Mr. McLaren, you say Texas is persecuting you? Umm-hmmm. Won't let you have your own, independent Republic of Texas, is that it? Won't put up with your filing false liens against other people's property? Ummhmmmmmm ..."

The poor jerk may have created trouble aplenty for the various victims of his illegal property liens. Still, all this may not exceed in aggregate the trouble the EEOC is inflicting with its new rules on mental illness: rules that the McLaren affair serves oddly enough to highlight.

Pursuant to the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, the EEOC is telling employers - in flagrant detail - how and when they must accommodate employees with mental problems.

To satirize the EEOC's directive would be cheap and easy. No, thanks. Mental illness isn't funny. But a federal agency telling employers how to deal with it? That's not funny either. What it is, is authoritarian, unconstitutional, out of line - and a positive inspiration to folks like friend McLaren who look at such goings-on and observe, not unreasonably, lemme out of here! How, um, mentally challenged must one be in order to wish government stripped of the power to specify that a cashier with dry mouth, owing to psychiatric medication, be permitted a reconfiguration of his break schedule?



William Murchison

I mean, maybe he should be. But how in the name of James Madison did we get to this point - the federal government prescribing the frequency of work breaks for cashiers?

Do you see - kinda see - how people like friend McLaren can - possibly, sometimes - be driven to the extraordinary assertion of the right to be left alone?

Why, glory be, I think I've just touched on a likely defense for friend McLaren. Not guilty, your honor - It wasn't my fault; the government drove me to it.

Cashiers-with-dry-mouth? There's more. A reckless chauffeur with bipolar disorder is entitled to consideration, the EEOC says. Though - wait! - his employer is entitled to make "disability-related inquiries," thanks to "a reasonable belief, based on objective evidence, that the employee will pose a direct threat to himself or others. ..." Oh, thank you, thank you, esteemed commissioners - an employer, without trampling on the Constitution, may actually inquire into

whether one of his employees threatens life and limb?

Supposedly, as our nation's chief magistrate memorably said, "The era of big government is over." Oh, yeah? What about such astounding feats of regulation as the foregoing? What about the rest of the Americans With Disabilities Act, which prescribes (among much else) the kind of restrooms new public buildings must contain? What about the Family Leave Act, detailing time-off policies for new mothers?

If the era of big government is over, how odd that government looks bigger than ever. There still exists, apparently, a sizable demand for government to do Good Things, constitutional niceties are goshdurned.

Observe: All these Good Things are too costly for a government striving to balance the budget. Rooseveltian "We'll-Do-it-All-For-You" hubris is out of fashion. In fashion is off-loading duties onto the private sector, saying to businessmen, here, you do it. And pay for it, naturally. Better a dry-mouth cashier than another welfare client.

Volunteering, Internet links for high schools - Bill Clinton bombards us with teeny-weeny ideas for improving life. He doesn't tell us what they cost. Nor does the trail end on Clinton's doorstep. What president promoted and signed the Americans With Disabilities Act? George Bush.

In both political parties, over and over, the lust to run other people's lives trumps common sense. If some day a Republic of Texas, or of anything else, gets established, you suppose they'll be wanting immigrants?

Washington's developed a big head

Practically every month of the year here in Our Nation's Capital, a distinguished group of conservative journalists gets together for drinks and dinner. They represent all the major conservative publications in the country. Thus, it is a relatively small dinner, the number of dissenting publications being quite minuscule in this profession of sheep.

At any rate, the other night, the conversation turned to the recent budget deal. If you spend much time out of Washington, you will have noted that the budget is not admired by liberals or by conservatives. And its chief boast of effecting a balanced budget in the year 2002 is snickered at by the vast majority of Americans. A poll recently conducted by Maricopa Research of Charlotte, N.C., found precisely one percent of those polled believing in the budget's nonsensical promise. Whether the pollsters did a blood-alcohol test on that one percent, I do not know.

Yet, here in Washington, the leaders of both the Democratic and Republican parties are quite confident that they are making history with this budget. The way Bob Novak, dean of conservative columnists, characterized it the other night was: "The fix is in." That judgment, frankly, amazed me. As I say, my visits with politically alive people outside Washington have made it clear to me that the budget agreement is neither appealing nor credible with them. But around these parts, it is, as the sages say, "a done deal."

What happened to the Republican Revolution? This budget has more government growth than was agreed to just last year. Once

R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

again, Boy Clinton lied to us. Its tax cuts are not particularly significant, and they lack any strategic plan for the economy. The Reagan tax cuts were keyed for economic growth and elicited a historic growth from which America is still prospering. This budget's tax cuts are good for individuals but will have only modest effect on the economy as a whole.

Well, as to what happened to the Republican Revolution, most of the conservative journalists at this monthly dinner were in somber agreement. The frisky Republicans of 1996 have been cowed. They like living in Washington. The sour reaction to their government shut-down terrified them. They might lose their seats and have to return to ordinary America.

That, of course, would be a good thing. If congressional Republicans are merely voting for more government growth and regulation, let us replace them with Democrats. Democrats at least claim to believe in the noble endeavor of fleeing the taxpayer pursuant to a Utopia of mountebanks. The budget deal is but another example of Washington's remoteness from the rest of the country.

The one journalist at this monthly conservative dinner who does not live in Washington, Dan Henninger, deputy editor of the editorial page of the Wall Street Journal, pointed out numerous

examples of state efforts at paring back government and privatizing government services. All are efforts very much out of cadence with this federal budget deal, which is nothing more than business as usual, Washington style.

Oregon is Henninger's favorite example. There, both houses of the legislature have passed resolutions seeking a federal waiver that would allow the states to opt out of Social Security and design their own plans for workers' retirement. Oregon, once a stronghold for statist, is not only interested in privatizing pension plans - it has also obtained waivers for local health-care and workfare programs.

Elsewhere beyond the stale atmosphere of Washington, welfare is being reduced as former welfare clients take to the private sector. In Wisconsin, the legislature has adopted education vouchers and followed Gov. Tommy Thompson's exhortations to cut welfare. The tax rebellion is alive across the county. Criminals are being locked up. A conservative revival is going on nationwide in both parties.

There is something very weird about the Republican leadership's pride over a budget agreement that no one really believes in. Odder still is the total lack of leadership at the national level of the Republican Party. At the next Republican National Convention, my guess is that all the messiahs will be coming from state government. If it were not for the size of the hole it burns in every taxpayer dollar, Washington today would not matter at all to most Americans.

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SOME ITEMS BANNED BY THE COMICAL WEAPONS TREATY

Wheeler County grand jury indicts 10 men on Monday

WHEELER — Four of 10 men indicted by a Wheeler County grand jury were in Wheeler County jail today. Six were free on bond.

The Wheeler County grand jury indicted 10 men Monday on charges ranging from possession of a controlled substance to attempted murder.

Clifford Dale Anderson was in Wheeler County jail today in lieu of \$50,000 bond after being indicted for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver in connection with his arrest May 6 by a Department of Public Safety weight and measures task force on I-40 near Shamrock. Officers found what appeared to be about one pound of methamphetamines in the U-Haul truck in which he was riding.

Elias Hugo Viera-Bouillon and Joseph F. Baratta were in Wheeler County jail today in lieu of \$10,000 bond each after being indicted for possession of marijuana. The pair were stopped Feb. 19 on I-40 by DPS Trooper Chad Estes of McLean. Estes found what appeared to be 88 pounds of marijuana in their motorhome.

Richard Joseph Johnson was free today on \$10,000 bond after being indicted for attempted murder in connection with a March 19 incident in which John F. Monahan was stabbed.

Igancio Aparico Alvarado and Ernest Espinosa were free

today after posting a \$50,000 bond each. The pair was indicted on charges of possession of marijuana. They were stopped for speeding Jan. 20 on I-40 by DPS Trooper Kevin King of Shamrock. The officer found what he believed to be 101 pounds of marijuana in their 18 wheeler truck.

Matthew David Pherigo was free on \$7,500 bond today after being indicted for possession of a controlled substance. Pherigo was a truck driver stopped May 9 by a Department of Public Safety weight and measures task force on Interstate 40. Officers found what appeared to be methamphetamines in his truck.

Billy Don Menefield, who was convicted of aggravated assault in 1995, was indicted for unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. The charge stems from the reported firing of a weapon in Shamrock on March 13. He is in Wheeler County jail in lieu of \$2,500 bond.

Thomas Edward Lemos was free today on \$5,000 bond after being indicted for burglary of a habit in connection with the theft of a cordless drill from Fred Hofmann's home west of Shamrock.

Armando Delamadrid was free today on \$10,000 bond after being indicted for possession of a controlled substance in connection with a Feb. 28 incident.

AQHA Benefit Roping set for this weekend

AMARILLO — Ropers and spectators are invited to a weekend of roping and activities at the second annual American Quarter Horse Foundation Benefit Roping May 24-25 at the Tri-State Fairgrounds outdoor arena, in Amarillo.

This AQHA-approved special event roping will feature team roping, calf roping, and break-away roping Saturday and Sunday, as well as special activities for spectators on Saturday.

Spectators are invited to participate in two washer pitching contests for all ages or a free dummy roping contest for youth 12 and under at 1 p.m. Saturday.

The first washer pitching will be a two-person team event with a \$20 per team entry fee. Each member of the winning washer pitching team will receive a Montana Silversmiths belt buckle.

The second washer pitching contest will be an individual ringer contest with a \$10 per person entry fee. The winner of the ringer contest will receive a pair of Justin Ropers donated by Luskey's Western Store in Amarillo.

Proceeds from the washer pitching contests will benefit the American Quarter Horse Foundation.

The American Quarter Horse Foundation will host a barbecue catered by The Country Barn at 6:30 p.m. Saturday with tickets priced at \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Immediately after the barbecue, three special match ropings featuring two AQHA world champion calf ropers, a family team roping and a challenge team roping

and heeling for *The Quarter Horse Journal*. Randy White, publisher, and Butch Morgan, marketing director, will compete for the *Western Horseman*.

"I am friends with both Randy and Butch and have been for over 20 years," said Jennings. "We look forward to roping against them and hope to win, but no matter who wins the roping, the real winner will be the American Quarter Horse Foundation."

More than 200 ropers are expected to compete Saturday and Sunday to earn points and prizes in AQHA competition, as well as raise funds for the American Quarter Horse Foundation. The Foundation funds equine health research, scholarships and educational outreach, including the American Quarter Horse Heritage Center & Museum in Amarillo.

The roping competition will begin at 8 a.m. each day and include classes for youth, novice youth, amateurs, novice amateurs and open exhibitors. Class winners will receive a hand-woven, wool, Cowboy Tack saddle blanket valued at \$300. Placing competitors in each class will be entered into a drawing for a gift certificate from Quarter Horse Outfitters America.

The roping will move indoors to the Bill Cody arena, also located on the Fairgrounds, if bad weather threatens.

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Attorneys for Susan McDougal voice disapproval of fund-raising appeal

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — The Susan McDougal Legal Defense Trust Fund is offering donors who contribute \$1,000 a "super freedom fighter" designation and urging the public to contact special prosecutor Kenneth Starr to express support for the jailed Whitewater figure.

What the recent fund-raising appeal doesn't say is that the money will aid Mrs. McDougal's defense in an unrelated California embezzlement trial.

Her Whitewater lawyers aren't pleased. One of them, Houston lawyer David Berg, said the fund-raising appeal — sent over the signature of Mrs. McDougal's brother, Jim Henley of Houston — was "ill-advised and misleading."

The letter said "Your contribution will fund the strongest possible defense and investigation to win justice for Susan."

Henley's letter did not use the word "Whitewater," but twice mentioned Starr. In addition to seeking money or contributions of time, it urged people to write or call Starr, "expressing your concern and support for Susan."

Any money raised was going to help Mrs. McDougal mount a defense against a California

charge that she embezzled \$150,000 from Los Angeles symphony conductor Zubin Mehta — a fact not mentioned in the fund-raising appeal.

Henley promised a follow-up letter to clarify her situation.

But, he said in an interview, "most people who wrote Susan are very aware of the Mehta situation," and the letter went only "to people who were well aware of her situation."

Berg and Jonesboro lawyer Bobby McDaniel said Tuesday they've been working for free for McDougal in her Whitewater case. Two other defense attorneys also are working free of charge.

Mrs. McDougal, along with her ex-husband James McDougal, owned a failed savings and loan at the center of the Whitewater investigation. She was convicted of four felonies last year along with her ex-husband, who was convicted on 18 counts, in a trial conducted by Starr's office.

She was sentenced to two years in prison on those charges and remains jailed on a separate contempt charge for refusing to answer questions before a federal grand jury helping Starr investigate the financial dealings of President Clinton and his wife, Hillary.

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Prom Night Is Now Occasion For Discrimination And Danger

DEAR ABBY: Because prejudice and discrimination are so hurtful, I think we should do away with them in our public schools.

Abby, what is more discriminatory than the senior prom?

The poor, the frugal, the shy, the unpopular, the plain and the dateless are excluded. Many parents cannot afford all that is involved in this rite of passage: formal wear, corsages, limousines. The kid who is saving his cash for college, the student who has no "significant other," is a reject on the eve of what should be a joyous camaraderie including all members of the senior class.

Instead, this occasion has too often turned into a boisterous bash with overnight parties, drugs, drunk driving and death.

The above combination has made a farce of what was once a sensible, meaningful event. One father hired a horse-drawn carriage to transport his daughter to the prom!

I'm ready for a lot of flak in response to this letter, but I feel that there are many parents (and students) out there who agree with me, but are afraid to express it.

D.B. IN OLYMPIA, WASH.

DEAR D.B.: Every year the newspapers carry pictures of handsome young men and beautiful girl graduates who have died in fiery automobile crashes on prom night. Rather than completely going away with this rite of passage, it should be



Abigail Van Buren

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rethought. Some schools have already done this by transporting the young people to and from the dance or party in buses, and keeping the celebration alcohol-free. Others have turned it into a special night out (to a play, a theme park, etc.) that doesn't require a date.

I would be interested to hear what other schools and parents are doing to safeguard their young people on prom night.

DEAR ABBY: Who says what's "right" when a woman wants to have a formal second wedding? My sister has been married once before. Her wedding was very large and very formal. She is now engaged again to a young man who has never been married.

Her wedding party started out to be six, including the bride and groom. It has now been reduced to four. We will all be dressed in

gowns and tuxedos. This is the late '90s, and we're heading into a new century. My sister feels there is nothing wrong with a second formal wedding as long as it's the first for the groom, and I agree.

If it's the bride's first wedding and the groom's second, no one would comment. But when it's the bride's second and the groom's first, why must it be small and informal? Shouldn't it be up to the bride and groom, rather than anyone else?

My sister's wedding will be small, with a few friends and the immediate family, but some of the traditions will be included, such as throwing the bridal bouquet, first dance, dollar dance, photographs, father-daughter dance, etc.

What are your thoughts on this? FORMAL OR NOT, BOWDOIN, MAINE

DEAR FORMAL OR NOT: I agree with your sister. Since it is the groom's first wedding, I see no reason why he should be penalized because his bride has been previously married.

The old rules about what is appropriate have relaxed in recent years. It is perfectly acceptable for the couple to have a formal wedding with all the trimmings. My congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple.

Horoscope



Thursday May 22 1997

Make a concerted effort in the year ahead to expand your commercial and social interests. Impressive benefits could come to you from new people you'll be meeting.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It will benefit you today to associate with people who stimulate your expectations and your thinking. Constructive ideas and suggestions will be exchanged through conversations. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Keep your eyes open today for an unusual shift in conditions and circumstances that can open the door to an attractive opportunity for your career.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) As a rule, our first thoughts are always best and brightest, but today this might not be true in your case. Have faith in your new ideas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A condition that has been impeding your work progress might suddenly change for the better today. Now you can add a new dimension to your productivity.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Innately you'll be able to handle yourself quite well in competitive developments today, whether they be social, commercial or romantic.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today you might be suddenly inspired to make some unusual decorative changes in your living space. The end result will have a pleasing effect.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The more actively you are involved today, the more efficiently you'll perform. Plus, the

peripheral benefits of keeping busy is a positive mind-set.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Plan some extra time to shop around today for items you intend to purchase for your household. Bargains do exist, so keep your eyes open.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Take the initiative today if you are dissatisfied with the pace of your co-workers. They will be less lethargic when you start speeding things up.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Unusual opportunities could develop for you today in terms of your material interests. However, your worth is perceived in recognizing their worth.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Of all of your endeavors today, you're likely to be the luckiest with your newest, freshest interests. Give them priority.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A secret ambition you've been nurturing has strong probabilities for success today. This is the time to make your positive move. Do not hesitate.

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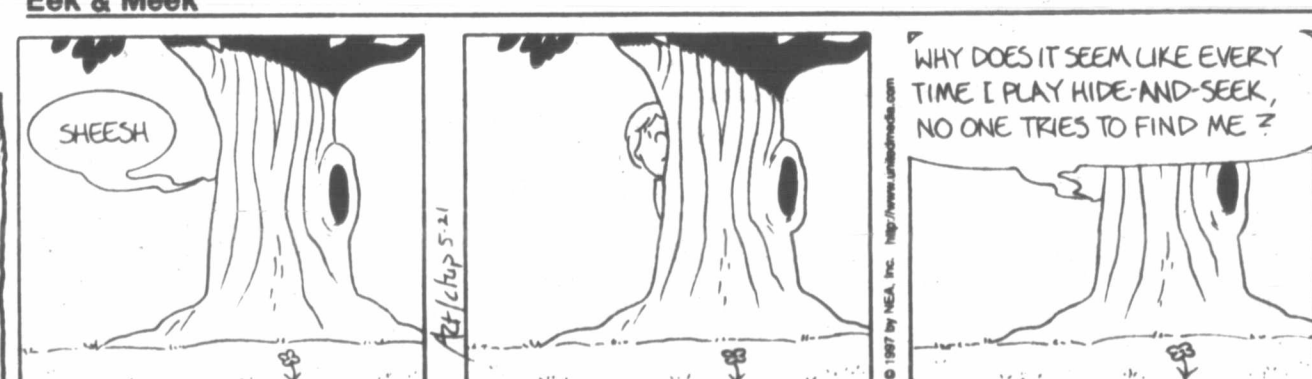
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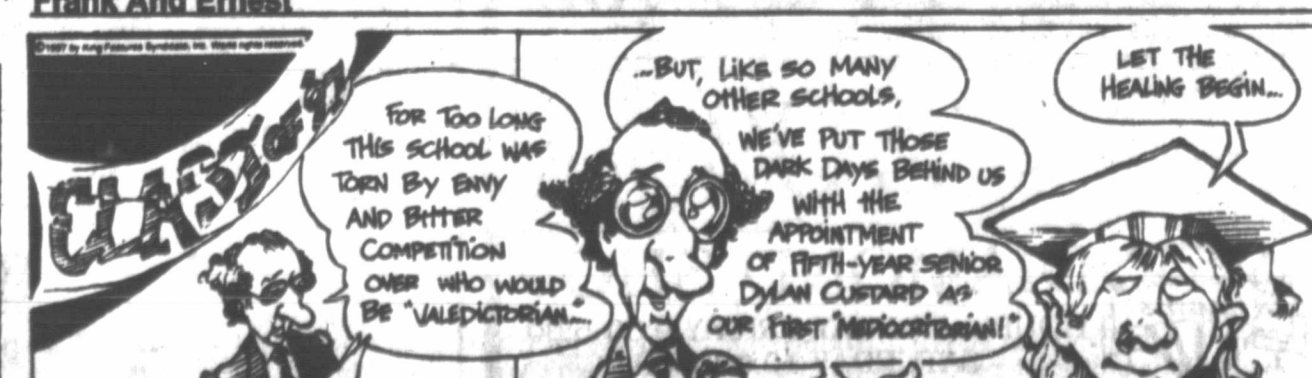
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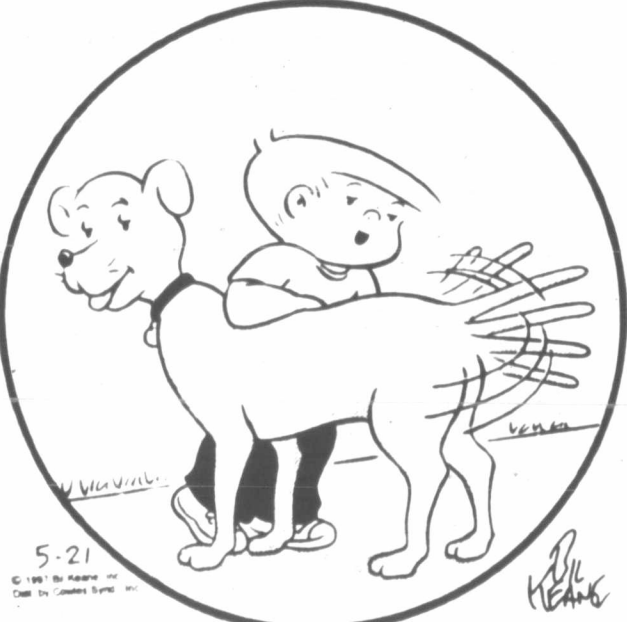
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The Family Circus



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SPORTS

Heat fizzles down the stretch against Bulls

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BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Robert Hale's "Camp of Champs" has two boys' basketball camps planned this summer at McNeely Fieldhouse.

The first camp is scheduled June 16-20 from 9 to 1 for incoming fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grade students. Cost is \$75.

Campers can register from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and again on May 27 at McNeely Fieldhouse. Campers can also pick up registration forms at any of the schools or at coach Robert Hale's residence, 1508 Christine Street.

The second camp is for incoming eighth and ninth graders and will be an all-day, all-night format. The camp is planned for June 28-30, which is Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Cost is \$75 and the camp is limited to the first 32 students who sign up. Meals will be served during the camp. On Sunday (June 29), the campers will be either transported to a church or a minister will come to the gym and speak to the students.

Contact Hale at 669-4832 (office) or 669-6447 (home) if more information is needed.

FOOTBALL

WHITE DEER — The Buck Football Camp will be held June 4-6, from 8 to 12 noon at the White Deer fieldhouse.

The camp is for youngsters 9 years of age through incoming high school freshmen. Cost is \$25, which includes a camp t-shirt.

For more information, contact Ralph Samaniego at 883-2083, the high school at 883-6411 or 883-2091, or Ruben Guerrero at 848-2402.

GENERAL

PAMPA — Coaches or scorekeepers in the Pampa Optimist Club baseball and softball leagues can pick up scoresheets at The Pampa News sports department.

Results can be turned in by dropping the scoresheets in the mail slot at the front entrance of The Pampa News.

Results can also be phoned in the morning after a game by calling 669-2527 or 669-2525 before 11 a.m. on weekdays. Results can be phoned in on Saturdays by calling 669-2527 or 669-2525 after 4 p.m.

RODEO

REDDING, CALIF. — Three-time world champion and 1996 ProRodeo Hall of Fame inductee John W. Jones Jr. of Morro Bay, Calif., ventured north to the \$96,244 Redding Rodeo, May 16-17 in Redding, Calif., to take the steer wrestling average title.

Jones, 36, turfed two steers in 9.1 seconds and earned \$3,552. The 10-time National Finals Rodeo qualifier has not competed regularly since 1993.

Gary Daniel of Telephone, Texas, took second in the steer wrestling average race by downing two steers in 9.3 seconds. He pocketed \$2,541.

Vince Walker of Brentwood, Calif., and Dirk Floumoy of Los Molinos, Calif., both notched times of 9.7 seconds in two rounds to split third-place honors. Walker earned \$2,705 and Floumoy took home \$2,556.

In bareback riding, three-time National Finals Rodeo qualifier Rocky Steagall of Sanger, Calif., won his event's title with an 82-point ride on Crowney Brothers Rodeo's Tootsie Roll. The 34-year-old cowboy earned \$2,993.

Other winners in Redding were Justin Washburn (Corona, N.M.), saddle bronc riding, 83 points on Crowney Brothers Rodeo's Wicked Selena, \$2,935; Austin Beasley (Ponoka, Alberta), bull riding, 86 points on Crowney Brothers Rodeo's Stinger, \$3,430; Jason Evans (Huntsville, Texas), calf roping, 17.6 seconds in two rounds, \$2,512; Yose Campbell (Gardnerville, Nev.) and Bucky Campbell (Prosser, Wash.), team roping, 13.1 seconds in two rounds, \$1,454 each; and Kristie Peterson (Elbert, Colo.), barrel racing, 17.54 seconds, \$1,751.

CHICAGO (AP) — They had had a long layoff, time to rest their aging legs between playoff series. But that's not why the Chicago Bulls were able to take control in the final minutes and beat the Miami Heat.

It was as much mental as physical. The Bulls were in a championship state of mind. When it's time to win a close game, they know how to do it.

"We can speculate about the layoff and their seven-game series hurt them," Michael Jordan said after Chicago's 84-77 victory to open the Eastern Conference finals Tuesday night.

"But we were able to come back and win. We've been in that situation a couple of times already. We've had some experience deal-

ing with it. We were able to keep our poise."

In their opener against Atlanta in the semifinals, the Bulls, after a five-day break, came out sluggish and fell behind by 16 points before overcoming the Hawks.

Against the Heat, Chicago played a team coming off a grueling seven-game series against New York. The Bulls, on the other hand, were playing for the first time in a week. They struggled in the first half, again fell behind by 16, trailed by 11 at the half and were down five with just over six minutes left.

"We were right where we wanted to be. We were ahead five going into the last five minutes of the game. We just needed to be stronger at the end and we got flus-

tered," Miami coach Pat Riley said.

The Heat, the younger of the two teams, didn't get tired. The Bulls just got better, especially on defense.

Miami, which had only six second-half field goals, went 6 minutes and 21 seconds without a basket in the final period.

"I don't think it was a fatigue factor. They just pushed us and made us turn the ball over," Heat guard Tim Hardaway said. Hardaway, who had scored 38 points in a Game 7 victory over the Knicks, managed just 13 Tuesday night, missing 10 of 14 shots.

The Bulls, especially Ron Harper, were able to stop Hardaway and contain the Heat's pick-and-roll play in the second half, forcing the Heat into bad

passes. Miami had four turnovers in one crucial three-minute stretch of the final quarter.

"We weren't real aggressive, real forceful or real strong with the ball. They were slapping the ball out of our hands. We were jumping up in the air and throwing the ball away," Hardaway said.

And the Heat, especially Alonzo Mourning, who finished with 21 points and six blocks, were awful at the free throw line.

Mourning missed 5-of-6 free throws in the final 2:20 and made only 7-of-15 for the game. As a team, the Heat were 15-of-30.

"The most disappointing thing is knowing you outplayed a team for pretty much the whole game, knowing that you outplayed them and worked hard to establish

yourself and establish the tempo of the game, and then in four minutes let it slip away," Mourning said.

"It wasn't just the free throws. Everybody is going to look at that — we got to make our free throws, we're professional athletes. They're free throws, that's why they're called free. We got to take care of the basketball."

Chicago's Scottie Pippen said the Bulls were able to do what they've always done — disrupt with defense.

"With Michael, Ron and I at guard, we take up a lot of space," Pippen said.

"We feel we have the ability to force them in and knock the ball loose or force them into a position where they don't feel comfortable handling the ball."

Texas downs Oakland, 8-3

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Bobby Witt had one of his worst outings of the season Tuesday night, but right now the Texas Rangers righthander can do little wrong.

Witt struggled through most of his seven innings, but Rusty Greer and Lee Stevens each hit two-run homers in the fifth to give Witt a five-run lead and the Rangers went on to beat the Oakland Athletics 8-3.

"I was really fortunate the way the team played," said Witt, who ran his record to 7-0 matching the best start in Rangers history. "I was shaky in the first three innings but I tried to battle through it. Then we got some runs. I got away with some pitches. Fortunately, the guys played good defense behind me."

Witt equaled the team record for best start set by Jim Kern in 1979 and repeated by Jeff Russell in 1988.

Warren Newson tied a career high with four hits, including a pair of doubles and a triple as Texas won for the eighth time in 11 games.

Witt gave up all three runs and six hits in seven innings, walked a season-high five and struck out four.

"This was by far his least effective performance of the year," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "His pitch count was much higher than normal."

Golf MVP



Pampa senior Mike Smith was voted the most valuable male golfer by his teammates for the 1996-97 season. Smith, who was District 1-4A's runnerup medalist, was honored during the PHS Golf Banquet earlier this week.

Celanese moves closer to first place

PAMPA — Hoechst Celanese Chemical Group, behind the clutch pitching of Daniel Heuston, knocked Glo-Valve Service from the ranks of the unbeaten, 4-3, and pulled within a half a game of first in the Optimist Major Bambino League Monday.

Heuston allowed only three hits to the heavy hitting Glo-Valve team in pitching a complete game. He allowed five walks while striking out 13. Zach Windhorst started for Glo-Valve and gave up three runs on two hits. He walked two and struck out three. Ryan Zemanek pitched the last four innings for Glo-Valve. He allowed one unearned run and one hit while striking out nine and walking one.

Heuston aided his own cause with a triple in the second inning. He came in to score on a ball hit by Andy Rogers, who was safe when the throw went home too late to catch Heuston.

A walk to Carlos Solis followed. Both runners scored on wild pitches and a Glo-Valve error.

Mitch Carroll stroked a single to left field, but a great throw by Kevin Parks to Derrick Lewis nailed a runner at third to prevent more runs being scored.

Glo-Valve got two of the runs back in the bottom of the inning without a hit. Hal Rogers and Cliff Spencer walked and scored on a series of wild pitches.

Celanese picked up what proved to be the winning run in the fourth inning on an error and a double hit by Daniel Williams. Williams advanced to third on a wild pitch, but was caught stealing home to end the inning.

Glo-Valve, who stranded six runners in the game, got one run back in the fifth inning on doubles by Zemanek and John Bradford.

Heuston reached a full count on each batter in the sixth inning, but struck out all three to end the game.

Celanese improved to 3-1, a half-game behind Glo-Valve. Glo-Valve leads the league with a 4-1 record.

Holmes remains unbeaten in Babe Ruth League standings

By **MATT HUTCHISON**
Sports Writer

PAMPA — When it comes to Optimist Babe Ruth baseball, this year's Holmes squad could emerge as the team to beat. Holmes remains unbeaten with an overall record of 5-0 after a 13-7 win over Cree Oil on Tuesday night at Optimist Park.

Holmes opened up with a six-run first inning and never trailed against Cree.

After sending Cree down 1-2-3 in the top of the first, pitcher Casey Owens and crew lined up at the plate hungry for runs. A double by Owens began Holmes' offensive drive, followed by a Greg Lindsey two-bagger that drove in Owens.

After a walk to cleanup hitter Matt Driscoll, Kyle McCullough was also able to draw a base on balls, juicing the bases for Holmes. A solid hit drove in two more runs for Holmes, and after another walk, Josh Baker

nailed a single to score two more runs, including Shawn Strate, who had reached base earlier with a walk.

Cree started out strong offensively in the third inning, producing two runs off two hits to put runs on the board. Kaleb Snelgrooves led the inning off with a walk and after stealing second was eventually driven in by reliever Russell Robben, who connected with a single. Travis Lancaster followed Robben to the plate and imme-

diately produced, sending a ball into the outfield for a single that scored the runner.

Holmes added runs throughout the contest on both Cree's starting pitcher Kaleb Snelgrooves and reliever Russell Robben.

Cree also added runs with RBI singles by Robben and Lancaster in the fourth, and rounded out later in the sixth when a Snelgrooves walk was turned into Cree's final run of the game by a solid double hit

by Lancaster.

Other highlights for Holmes included an RBI single by Jeremy Hall in the third inning and a single by Shawn Strate in the fourth that scored McCullough, who reached base earlier on a double. Strate was followed by Josh Baker, who sent a Russell Robben pitch into the outfield for a triple that scored two runners.

In Babe Ruth action tonight, Boatmen's play Hoagies.

Palmer grabs the gold

BUDA — Wendell Palmer of Pampa brought home six gold medals at the Waterloo Masters Track Classic held last weekend at Buda, Texas.

Palmer, competing in the 65-69 age group, won the javelin (115 feet), the discus (178 feet), the shot put (44 feet), the hammer throw (137 feet), the 25-pound weight throw (47-6) and the 56-pound weight throw (16-8).

His discus effort broke the American Masters record and was four feet short of the world record. He broke the American mark of 162 feet held by Dan Alredge.

Palmer's shot put performance was just a foot and a half short of the American record.

Palmer's 25-pound weight throw of 47-6 was close to the world record of 48-10.

Ponca City, Okla. has a USTF meet set for May 31 and is open to athletes ages 8 and up, Palmer said.

Palmer's next competition is the Liberal Senior Games June 7 at Liberal, Kan.

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MONTE CARLO, Monaco (AP) — It took nearly 10 months, but sprinters Michael Johnson and Donovan Bailey finally got

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their names in the record books.

The International Amateur Athletic Federation today formally ratified the world records set by the two at last summer's Atlanta Olympics — Johnson's 19.32 seconds in the 200 meters and Bailey's 9.84 in the 100.

IAAF general secretary Istvan Gyulai recently blamed the delay in ratifying the records on problems in obtaining the proper paperwork from USA Track and Field.

Dallas native Johnson and Toronto's SkyDome in a 150-meter match race.

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SAN DIEGO (AP) — Brigham Young junior Tiffany Lott took a commanding lead in the heptathlon after four events Tuesday at the 35th annual Western Athletic Conference Track & Field Championships.

Lott's wins came in the 100 hurdles (13.11 seconds), the high jump (5 feet, 6 inches) and the 200 (25.01). Also, she placed second in the shot put (45-9) to accumulate 3,614 points in the standings.

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Philadelphia	17	26	.395	13 1/2

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East Division				
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Baltimore	29	13	.690	—
New York	25	19	.568	5
Toronto	22	19	.537	6 1/2
Detroit	19	24	.442	10 1/2
Boston	16	25	.390	12 1/2

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Chicago	15	28	.349	7
Cincinnati	14	29	.328	8

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By The Associated Press				
West Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	25	17	.595	—
Los Angeles	23	19	.548	2
Colorado	23	20	.535	2 1/2
San Diego	17	25	.405	8

Southwest Texas heads for NCAA Tournament

AUSTIN (AP) — Winning the Southland Conference baseball championship and earning an NCAA Regional bid weren't Southwest Texas State's goals for this season.

The Bobcats say the accomplishments were only milestones on the team's route to the College World Series.

"We don't just want to show up," Bobcats coach Howard Bushong said of the NCAA playoffs. "I want to do something both for our program and our conference. We're not just happy to be there."

"Our kids believe in themselves. They think they can go to Omaha."

Southwest Texas (35-24) is the No. 6 seed at the NCAA Central Regional in Lubbock. The Bobcats face top-seeded Texas Tech (46-12) at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Southwest Texas isn't necessarily the underdog despite its seeding. This season, the team has beaten NCAA qualifiers Texas A&M, Rice and Central Florida. The Bobcats are 4-5 against NCAA-qualifying teams.

"It's a big help to the kids," Bushong said. "That's what they keep saying. We've played these people, we know what it takes to get it done."

Southwest Texas secured the school's first Southland Conference title with a two-game sweep of Texas-San Antonio, Sunday in the conference tournament. Bobcats pitchers posted a 2.72 ERA in the tournament while hitters set nine tournament records, including a .374 team batting average over six games.

The Bobcats started the season with pitching depth and have come around at the end of the season with strong offense, scoring 47 runs in the last four games of the conference tournament.

Part of the depth comes from Southland Conference tournament MVP Jeremy Fikac. The third baseman proved himself at the plate with a .391 batting average, but also has been a surprise on the mound.

Fikac pitched a 5-3 loss to Texas-Pan American in February before coming back in April with victories over Texas and Texas A&M.

He pitched again in the last conference series with a shutout and a season-high 11 strikeouts before picking up a win and a save in last weekend's conference tournament. The junior is a possible starter for Thursday's game against Texas Tech.

"He's the perfect example of the 'gamer,'" Bushong said of Fikac, who also has played shortstop. "He's always ready to play."

Last year's conference batting champion, Collin Wissen, is also coming around for the playoffs. Wissen hit only .278 during the regular season but hit .500 with two homers and 11 RBIs last weekend.

"We're swinging very well, were winning and we're playing very intelligent baseball," Bushong said. "We're doing things right."

Italian driver didn't expect to be in Indianapolis 500

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Italian Vincenzo Sospiri didn't expect to be in Sunday's Indianapolis 500, let alone starting on the front row.

That all changed in March when the 30-year-old read in a newspaper that the Lola Formula One team he was driving for had decided to terminate its program.

"It was a big shock, a much big shot because I found out from the newspaper," Sospiri said. "They hadn't even informed me that they were going to quit. It wasn't very nice, but you have to get used to these things in Formula One and in motor racing."

Sospiri wasn't without a ride for long. Andy Evans, owner of team Scandia, called him one day

after Lola's announcement.

"Evans was very quick to call me. I had some other phone calls later on, but I had already decided," Sospiri said of his decision to come to Indianapolis.

Sospiri is one of 13 drivers in the 35-car field who will be starting their first Indy 500.

Sospiri received \$5,000 on Tuesday in recognition of being the fastest rookie qualifier. He'll begin the race on the outside of the front row after averaging 216.822 mph for his four-lap qualification run.

Sospiri, who now lives in Monaco, began racing karts in 1981 and has mainly driven in the international Formula 3000 series since 1991. He plans to continue

with the IRL this year, although a return to Formula One is still on his mind.

"I still have to prove myself in Formula One," he said. "I haven't had the chance to prove what I could do in Formula One. Now I'm concentrating on the IRL series 100 percent, and to get the best out of it. Once I've done that, we can talk about something else."

Sospiri and the other 12 rookies are optimistic they can be successful on the 2-year-old IRL circuit.

"Formula One, you have one or two teams that can win races. The rest of them are just there to show up. It's very difficult to win races with some of the teams," Sospiri said. "In America, you can come

with a decent team and show what you can do."

The Indy rookies are no strangers to racing, having competed in a wide array of competitions ranging from go-karts to midget and sprint cars to Formula One. They come from vastly different backgrounds, representing six countries, and many levels of education and wealth.

Jack Miller, who will start in the middle of the sixth row, was a dentist until the lure of racing became too strong to ignore.

Tyce Carlson, starting in the middle of the ninth row, was raised within 10 minutes of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and became bitten by the excitement of the race as a youth.

Reds' Goodwin goes on a hitting tear against Astros

HOUSTON (AP) - All Curtis Goodwin has to do to perform his best is to think the worst.

"The secret is me making myself think I'm hitting about .100 or .150," said Goodwin, who tied a career-high with four hits as the Cincinnati Reds beat the Houston Astros 7-4 on Tuesday night.

"I just keep that in mind and that way I never get too relaxed or

think I'm doing too good.

John Smiley (4-6) kept his unbeaten string against Houston intact by scattering eight hits in seven innings. Smiley has not lost to Houston since May 8, 1993, and is 8-0 in 10 games against the Astros since then.

Goodwin has gone on a tear since coming up from Indianapolis in late April. He has

hit safely in 10 of the last 15 games, going 18-for-43 (.419) in that span. His bunt single in the first inning helped the Reds build a 2-0 lead.


"I feel if I make myself think I'm hitting .100, I'll stay focused on the ball and have a lot better at bats."

"It's quite an easy game if you make it that way."

Goodwin was 4-for-5 with two runs scored.

"He just continues to do well," said interim manager Dennis Menke, filling in for the suspended Ray Knight. "The last 10 days it seems like he's been this hot every game. He just tries to keep the ball out of the air and uses his speed to get on. I think he is just starting to realize the type of player he can be."

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Calling 9-1-1? Here's how to help EMS

AUSTIN — Emergency medical help, whether at a hospital or from EMS responders, is available almost anywhere in Texas — usually, within minutes of a serious injury or onset of critical illness.

According to health officials, the state's cooperative network of local EMS units, fire and police personnel, clinics and hospitals designated at varying levels of expertise in 24-hour emergency care enables most victims of life-threatening trauma to get treatment within what is known as the "golden hour."

Such prompt treatment often is the main factor between the victim's survival or death.

Dr. Patti J. Patterson, Texas commissioner of health, said, "The Texas trauma system, from the training and commitment of small town volunteer EMS units to the most sophisticated trauma treatment center, is unique. Although other states have similarly designed trauma systems, none other has had to overcome the obstacle of so huge an area as Texas."

"The Texas Department of Health (TDH) Bureau of Emergency Management began working in 1990 on Texas' statewide trauma system. Hospitals and EMS agencies constantly improve the quality of trauma care and emergency medical services throughout the state," Patterson said. "The Texas public can be confident that no matter how serious an illness or injury may be, emergency help is available within minutes after someone calls for help, in most cases by dialing 9-1-1."

When calling for EMS, you should: describe the kind of the injury—or signs of illness, tell where the victim or victims are, tell how many people may be hurt and how badly, tell the dispatcher the phone number you are reporting from, and stay on the line until you have answered all the dispatcher's questions.

Then return to the victim or victims to await EMS. Do not attempt to move an injury victim.

Patterson explained that during U.S. and Texas EMS Week (May 18-24) local EMS personnel should be honored for the life-saving work they do.

"The public also should become more familiar with the emergency resources they have in their own communities, and memorize how best to report emergencies to help EMS do its job," she said.

She added that one of the essential things any citizen can do is to learn what constitutes an emergency.

"All of us recognize an emergency situation when people are hurt in car wrecks or bone-breaking falls, or if a person collapses unconscious while clutching his chest in pain. But not all emergencies are so easily identified. Some signs of emergencies are so subtle that a great part of the immediate danger is that nobody will take those signs seriously enough to seek emergency care. If there is any suspicion that an injury or sudden illness is an emergency, it is best to get immediate

medical help," Patterson said.

According to the American College of Emergency Physicians, the following are warning signs of a medical emergency:

- Difficulty breathing, unusual shortness of breath;
- Chest or upper abdominal pain or pressure;
- Fainting;
- Sudden dizziness, weakness or change of vision;
- Change in mental status, such as irrational behavior, confusion or difficulty in waking;
- Sudden, severe pain anywhere in the body;
- Bleeding that won't stop;
- Severe or persistent vomiting;
- Coughing or vomiting of blood; and
- Suicidal or homicidal feelings.

Besides knowing the general signs of an emergency, Dr. Patterson said that people should also use common sense and "instincts" about the severity of an injury or illness.

"Other factors, such as stressful events, pre-existing medical conditions or abnormal behavior can signal that what otherwise might seem a minor medical problem is an emergency. In this regard, family members should know about serious health conditions among other members, and know what symptoms signal trouble," she added.

Ultrasound may prevent premature baby delivery

HOUSTON — A new ultrasound test might help physicians prevent premature delivery — the leading cause of disability and death for babies.

The cervical ultrasound exam can detect changes in dilation of the cervix, the narrow, lower portion of the uterus. Normally, the cervix does not widen until the end of pregnancy, when contractions of the uterus begin and the baby is ready to be born.

If the ultrasound test reveals early shortening of the cervix, the physician can take steps to prevent premature delivery, said Dr. Isabelle Wilkins of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

The new technique uses an ultrasound probe that sends out sound waves, producing a picture of the cervix on a video monitor. The image enables physicians to measure the entire length of the cervix — a view not available from traditional ultrasound tests performed on the pregnant women's abdomen.

"Recent studies around the nation have shown that a decreasing cervical length is the best predictor of premature delivery," said Wilkins, associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology. "This is especially

helpful in the case of first-time mothers, who don't have a track record to indicate whether they are at high risk of premature delivery."

Because the ultrasound test can detect changes in the cervix early in the pregnancy, the physician might be able to delay preterm delivery by placing a stitch in the cervix for extra support. This treatment is particularly useful for pregnant women with a condition known as "incompetent cervix," in which the increasing weight of the developing fetus causes the cervix to dilate prematurely.

Measurements of the cervical length may also help physicians determine whether a patient is actually going into preterm labor or just having normal contractions, Wilkins said.

The cervical ultrasound is most practical for pregnant women known to be at risk of premature delivery, she said.

Risk factors include a previous premature delivery and a pregnancy with twins or triplets.

Because seven percent of all births in the United States are premature, the cervical ultrasound might play an important role in improving obstetrical care.

Garlic worth testing for warding off bladder cancer

ATLANTA (AP) — Garlic, the odorous bulb famed in folklore for warding off vampires, appears to prevent recurring bladder cancer in mice and is worth testing on people, according to a study in the journal *Cancer*.

The study, published Thursday, May 15, is a new lead into alternative treatments for a cancer that kills about 11,000 people a year.

"If we find it is safe for people, it could be a major step forward," said Dr. Donald Lamm, a urology professor at West Virginia University's medical school who co-authored the study.

"We got the idea that things have to be very expensive and toxic to be effective," said Lamm, who has studied the disease since 1973. "That's not necessarily true."

About 52,000 cases of bladder cancer are diagnosed each year in

the United States. If the tumor is not imbedded in the muscle of the bladder, it can be removed, but it often comes back. Surgery is followed by injections of a tuberculosis vaccine called bacillus Calmette-Guerin, which boosts the body's tumor-fighting defenses but does not work in some people.

So Lamm and his researchers searched for an alternative and settled on garlic.

Egyptians used garlic on wounds, infections and intestinal parasites. British Army surgeons used it to control infection among soldiers in World War I. Practitioners of alternative medicine say it lowers cholesterol and helps to prevent heart disease. It's the latest craze at the corner herb store.

Dr. Michael Sarosdy, a urologic oncologist at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in San Antonio, said garlic has

shown some success in boosting the immune system.

"I think it's an interesting lead," Sarosdy said. "There's evidence here that there may be a new drug in bladder cancer. The next step is to take it into clinical trials."

Garlic contains allicin, which some studies have said acts as an antibiotic. The *Cancer* journal study found that 50 milligrams to 500 milligrams of aged garlic extract mixed with water slowed the growth of bladder tumors in mice.

The study does not mean people should start downing garlic pills or garlic juice, said Barrie Cassileth, an adjunct professor of medicine at the University of North Carolina who specializes in alternative medicine.

There are too few controlled studies of garlic's benefits in peo-

ple in the United States, experts say.

"There are a lot of things we don't know from this, but we do know it's worth looking into," said Ms. Cassileth. "With this information, it would be appropriate to do this in human trials."

Bladder cancer is mostly a disease of those nearing 50. Men are four times more likely to have it than women and smokers have the highest risk. Symptoms are blood in the urine, lower back pain, persistent fever and anemia.

Roughly 20 percent of bladder cancer patients die within five years of diagnosis.

"Dieting and certain compounds such as garlic are going to become important in studying bladder cancer in the future," said Dr. Carlos Cordon-Cardo, a bladder cancer expert at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

More HIV-positive women having babies more safely

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — No one knows whether Lisa O'Connor's baby will be born with the AIDS virus.

More than three years ago, the baby — whose HIV-positive mother is due to give birth to her in June — would have had about a 1-in-4 chance of contracting the virus.

Now, in some U.S. regions, that statistic has dropped to 1-in-20 mostly due to use of the drug AZT. And an increasing number of women with the AIDS virus are choosing to have children.

"We're going for our dreams," said O'Connor, who is married to Pete Iglesias and has already named her unborn daughter Marisa Tila Iglesias.

O'Connor, who lives in Oakland, has been HIV-positive for nearly nine years. She thinks she contracted the virus from a

boyfriend who died of AIDS, although she also is a recovering drug addict.

San Francisco General, where the baby will be born, and the University of California-San Francisco medical centers have had no cases of HIV transmission to newborns since April 1995, doctors say.

And city health records for 1995 and 1996 show no new pediatric AIDS cases from birth to age 12.

"People are just stunned when they hear the statistics," said Susan Haikalas, director of client services at the San Francisco-based AIDS Foundation. "It's unusual for a city this size."

"It's unlikely that we'll never see an infected baby again," says Dr. Karen Beckerman, a physician with the Bay Area Perinatal AIDS Center. "But this is a

change in the epidemic that deserves to be highlighted."

AZT has been given regularly during pregnancy since a successful 1994 clinical trial concluded.

HIV-positive pregnant women begin taking AZT after their first trimester. AZT is then given intravenously during labor. And the infant receives AZT syrup for six weeks after birth.

In North Carolina, doctors say transmission rates have dropped from 20 percent to about 5 percent in the past two years. In New York City, public health officials recorded 22 cases of HIV-infected newborns last year, compared with 82 in 1995 and 111 in 1994.

O'Connor, 34, said the improved statistics convinced her that having a child was worth the risk.

"For me, it was too scary until recently," she said.

After she tested positive for the virus she hardly even expected to be alive today, let alone pregnant. Recent tests have also found no sign of HIV in her system, though doctors say that doesn't mean she's cured.

Now an AIDS educator and counselor for fellow recovering drug addicts, O'Connor runs off drug names and medical terminology almost with the ease of a doctor.

Some HIV-positive women don't even know they carry the virus or understand the benefit of the treatment.

In Los Angeles, the only babies born with HIV belonged to mothers who either declined AZT treatment or were not offered testing, despite a state law that requires AIDS testing and counseling be offered to all pregnant women.

Study: Surgery aids blocked arteries

DALLAS (AP) — Patients who undergo bypass surgery or angioplasty to clear blocked arteries are six times more likely to survive the following two years than those who are treated with drugs only, a study says.

The study, published in *Circulation*, a journal of the American Heart Association, also found those who had the procedures were much less likely to have heart attacks or require hospitalization for heart problems.

The researchers, led by Dr. Richard F. Davies of the University of Ottawa Heart Institute, found 12 people died out of 183 who received only enough heart medication to control chest pain, a 6.6 percent death rate.

But only two people died out of a group of 192 who received

bypass surgery or angioplasty plus medication, a 1.1 percent death rate.

In bypass surgery, a segment of blood vessel is grafted into place to detour blood around a blocked area. In angioplasty, a balloon is inflated in a blood vessel to flatten fatty blockages and increase blood flow.

Dr. David L. Fischman, associate director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, said the drug therapy may not have been as aggressive as it could have been.

"People will look at it and say, 'I need surgery,' but they need to look deeper," said Fischman, noting that many patients who have bypass or angioplasty develop blockages that require more surgery.



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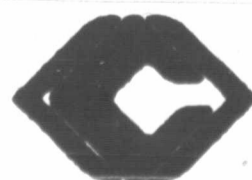
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