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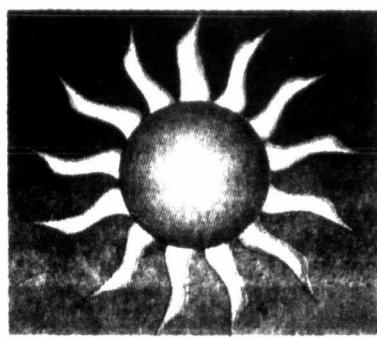
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Low tonight in upper 50s. High tomorrow in upper 80s. See Page 2 for weather details.

AMARILLO - The Discovery Center will offer Sleepin' In The Dark, a summer overnight program, on Friday, July 18, and Friday, Aug. 8, for children ages 6-10.

The program begins at 7 p.m. and ends on Saturday at 8 a.m. and will include an entire evening of fun, games and activities.

This overnight program is centered around the Discovery Center's summer exhibit In The Dark and will educate participants about how different plants, animals and ecosystems adapt to a dark environment.

The evening schedule includes a welcome and orientation followed by several craft activities including bat magnets and a flashlight scavenger hunt. Snacks will be provided and the children will have free time to play with the exhibit and watch a planetarium show. Lights out at midnight.

Prices are \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. Sleepin' In The Dark is open to the public and reservations may be made by calling Stacy, programs assistant, at (806) 355-9548, Ext. 20.

BUTTE LA ROSE, La. (AP) - An explosion ripped through a natural gas rig, killing at least two workers and injuring two others. A search for two missing workers was hampered today by a raging fire shooting flames 200 feet up, the Coast Guard said.

There were 22 people aboard the rig when the accident occurred about 10:30 p.m. Monday, said Coast Guard Lt. Com. Bill Brewer. The cause of the explosion was not known.

The rig, Mallard Number 52, is located in Little Bayou Pigeon in St. Martin Parish 30 miles northwest of Morgan City.

Of the eighteen workers who were evacuated, two were taken to a Lafayette hospital for treatment of moderate injuries, said state police Trooper Stacy Barrett.

The injured were transported by boat to a landing at Butte La Rose, the Coast Guard said.

The other 16 workers escaped injury, Barrett said.

- **Kathy D. Summers Anderson**, 40, licensed vocational nurse.
- **Lawrence "L.L." Anthony**, 84, stepfather of a Canadian resident.
- **Chester Griffey**, 75, former Pampa resident.
- **Novia Martin**, 76, sister to Shamrock residents.
- **Curtis A. Phillips I**, 85, father of a Pampa resident.

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DA John Mann joins ranks of Republicans

By LAURA HALEY
Staff Writer

Seven months after a heated race for the 31st Judicial District Attorney's seat, Democrat nominee John Mann has switched political parties.

In a ceremony held at the Doubletree Hotel in Austin last Thursday, Mann, along with 16 other state officials and activists, renounced the Democratic party and became members of the Republican party.

The turning of Gray County's district attorney from Democrat to Republican has taken both the county party chairs by surprise, especially considering the fierce nature of the district attorney race in October and November 1996 between Mann and Republican candidate Rick Roach.

The race split the Gray County Republican Party, with some members calling themselves Republicans for the Right Mann, backing the incumbent. Mechler, who maintained his support behind Republican candidate Roach, and the faction of the Republican Party backing Mann were involved in some ferocious campaigning during the race.

However, that seems to be in the past as Mechler welcomed Mann into the Republican party and encouraged teamwork in fighting crime.

"It is apparent that the district attorney has become more aggressive in prosecuting crime in Gray County," said Mechler. "This has always been the philosophy of the Republican Party. Aggressive law enforcement and prosecution is something that the citizens greatly desire."

"We still have a long way to go to bring crime under control especially in the areas of drug abuse, domestic violence, DWI

and aggravated assault. We can accomplish this for the residents of Gray County by working together as a team with the district attorney, sheriff, City of Pampa, Panhandle Area Drug Task Force, other area law enforcement departments and the judicial system. We welcome John to the Republican Party," Mechler said.

Meanwhile, Gray County Democratic Chair John Warner simply bid farewell to Mann. "We just wish him well," said Warner.

Although the switch has taken Gray County by surprise, it was nothing new to the Republican National Committee, which reports 282 elected Democrats have renounced their party and become Republicans since the election of Bill Clinton and Al Gore in 1992.

In fact, Mann was one of 17 elected officials and activists that participated in the ceremony in Austin last Thursday in which Republican National Committee Chairman Jim Nicholson welcomed the new members.

"I've always heard that everything's bigger in Texas, but these new Republicans have left a hole in the Democrat Party wide enough to drive through a herd of elephants," said Nicholson. "Across the country, local department leaders are deciding they can't afford to wait until the next election to declare their support for the community principles of the Republican Party."

"Bill Clinton, Albert Gore and the bosses of the Democratic Party are so glaringly out of touch with the struggles facing working men and women that elected Democrats everywhere are voicing their frustration with their feet and coming to the Republican Party. Welcome aboard!"

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County commissioners OK jail food service bid

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

Only one bid proposal concerning the food service for jail inmates at the Gray County Jail facilities was considered at commissioners' court at its Monday meeting.

Commissioners approved a motion by Joe Wheeley to accept the proposal as presented, pending the delivery of a binding contract prior to the effective date of July 1.

Rick Hoover, district manager for Fine Host Corporation and Sun West Services Inc., explained the proposal package. He said that Sun West Services Inc. will continue to provide the jail food services as it has in the past, although the company has been purchased by a larger company.

"Basically, the contract will remain the same as the current contract, but there may be minor changes in wording and, also, changes in ownership of the food service company will be evident," he said.

Fine Host Corporation of Tempe, Ariz., now owns Sun West Services, the food company previously contracted.

The current contract for jail food is based on per plate servings, ranging from \$2.39 up to 50 servings, with prices decreasing as the numbers of servings increase. The least amount of food per plate is \$2.05 for 200 servings and more. These prices have been in effect with the current contract year and will remain the same, Hoover said.

Gray County Sheriff Don

Copeland expressed satisfaction with the Sun West service and said that the food is good.

According to Margaret Hall, dietician and local representative for the food service, "The food must be good because the prisoners, and also some county deputies, seem to be gaining weight."

Commissioners tabled their decision concerning the Seismic Option Agreement from Perm-O-Penn Exploration pending a thorough review of the county exploration records.

According to the request from the exploration company, there are 1,641.17 surface acres and 1,401.17 mineral acres in League 290, Gray County. The court asked County Clerk Wanda Carter and County Attorney Todd Alvey to research the records to compare surface and mineral acreage descriptions, ownership and price per acre.

County Judge Richard Peet said the questions as to surface acreage and ownership must be clarified. He said the item would be placed on the July 1 agenda.

"We must make sure descriptions of land, and price per acre for the seismic/exploration work is clarified based on our original agreement," He said.

The court approved the request of Gray County Clerk Carter to consolidate voting places in the county for the Aug. 9 special amendment election and the Nov. 4 election. There will be information published at a later date to inform the public as to the locations.

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Elementary students learn about bugs

Kindergarten and first grade students from around the district are spending time at Baker Elementary School learning about beneficial insects during the Superintendent's Accelerated Summer Program.

The students learned the importance of insects like bees and ladybugs while learning about their habits and life cycles.

All is not hard work and study, though. Tuesday the students traveled to a honey farm outside of Eric, Okla., to see the different products which come from the industrious honey bees.

The students were able see hand creams and lotions which are made from the beeswax as well as taste some special honey products.

On Monday the children took home containers with a number of the always popular red and black beetles (ladybugs), which had been shipped from California.

The students learned that people collect the eggs and the ladybugs, then ship them all over the country to people who use them to control harmful insects in gardens and yards.

The program Buzz, Buzz and Yummy Too introduces children to the world of biology in a fun and exciting way that the young students can grasp.

The students participating in the program were chosen from the first 24 applicants who enrolled prior to the May 19 deadline.



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Nicholas Millican and Tiffani Neef remove hundreds of ladybugs from their shipping sacks to be given to the students participating in Buzz, Buzz and Yummy too. The children had the rare opportunity to see the tiny red and black beetles in vast quantities when Neef opened the bag and let the pretty ladybugs crawl all over her arms.

Jail officials deny inmate's abuse allegations

Allegations of verbal and psychological inmate abuse has arisen at the Gray County jail.

The allegations were brought to the attention of jail officials after former inmate Alicia Smith contacted Sheriff Don Copeland and jail administrator David Potter.

Smith alleges that Debra Wooley, a shift sergeant on the 3-11 p.m. shift, has threatened to remove special privileges of the female trustees unless they beat up current inmate, Kym Mills.

Mills said that Wooley told another inmate to beat her (Mills) down. "She has just treated me like a dog. I try to avoid her as much as possible. I just don't understand why she does this."

Mills says Wooley has done this knowing that she (Mills) may be three months pregnant.

Potter said Mills refused a urine test to determine whether or not she is pregnant.

"If she is or if she isn't pregnant, we would not allow one the jailers to have an inmate beat up," said Potter. "We look into every charge that is made."

Mills has accused Wooley and the other jailers of opening and reading her mail and has gone so far as to question the postmaster as to the rights of prisoners to send and receive unopened mail.

According to the reply from the regional postmaster in Lubbock, the law stipulates that mail to and from prisoners is privileged and the inmates can

either sign a waiver allowing jail personnel to open the incoming mail or they can deny the waiver and the facility will mark the mail refused and it will be returned to sender.

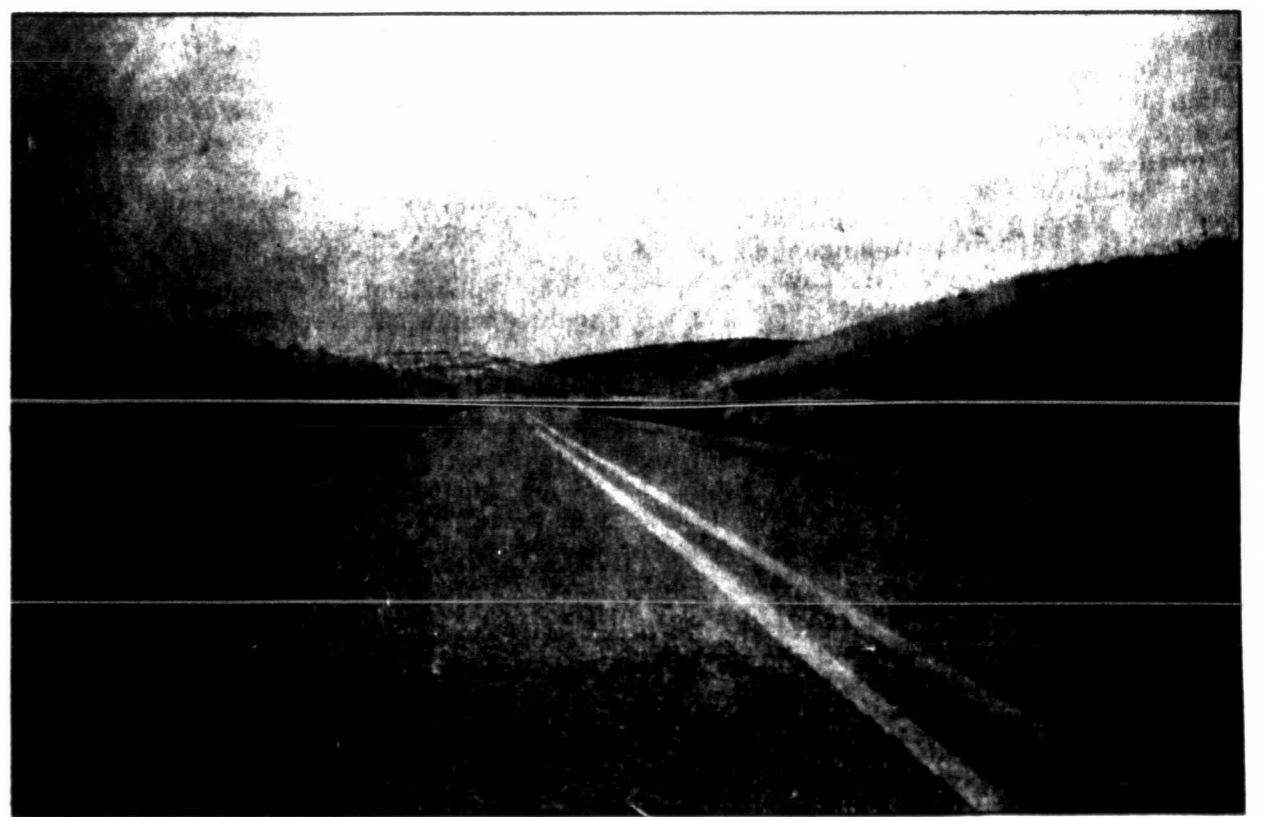
As far as outgoing mail is concerned, it is not considered mail until it has reached a United States Postal facility or box, and so may be opened prior to being mailed.

Potter said, "We open all the inmates' mail. We look for contraband, then give it to the inmates. The only time we read their mail is when we have reason to suspect a wrong-doing."

Other allegations include forcing Mills to get off the phone and locking her up alone.

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Field of wildflowers



(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

Who needs to walk the Yellow Brick Road when he can find the highway blanketed with beautiful yellow wildflowers to lead the way. This scenic drive is near Alanreed on the Johnson Ranch Road exit at Interstate 40. The plentiful rains this spring has given reason for so many varieties of wildflowers blooming in the Panhandle.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

ANDERSON, Kathy D. Summers - 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

KATHY D. SUMMERS ANDERSON
LEAGUE CITY - Kathy D. Summers Anderson, 40, of League City, died Friday, June 13, 1997, at Webster. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with Dr. Jim Prock, pastor of First Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Anderson was born Sept. 23, 1956, in Victoria, Texas. She was an LVN (licensed vocational nurse) working for AHN Home Care Inc. in League City.

She was preceded in death by her "Dad," Kenneth Searl, and by a brother, Frank Summers, both in 1981.

Survivors include her husband, Dennis Anderson of League City; a daughter, Stephanie Lynn Doiron of Pampa; a stepdaughter, Candace Leigh Anderson of League City; her mother, Willo Dean Williams of Pampa; her "Mom," Dorothy Searl of Pampa; two sisters, Darlene Gilpatrick of Pampa and Bonnie Marie Johnson of Edna; two brothers, Benjamin Franklin Summers Jr. and Ronald Edward Summers, both of Edna; a step-sister, Elaine White of Pampa; and three grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 1-6 p.m. today at James Crowder Funeral Home in Dickinson.

The family requests memorials to Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2795, Pampa, TX 79066-2795.

LAWRENCE 'L.L.' ANTHONY

SPEARMAN - Lawrence "L.L." Anthony, 84, stepfather of a Canadian resident, died Monday, June 16, 1997. Memorial services will be scheduled at a later time. Arrangements are under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mr. Anthony was born at Great Bend, Neb. He had been a Spearman area resident for 47 years, moving from Thermopolis, Wyo. He married Anita Babitzke in 1964 at Canadian. He was an electrician, owning-operating Anthony Electric in Spearman from 1954 until 1990, retiring in 1990. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marines, serving during World War II from 1942-1945 in Guam, the Solomon Islands, New Zealand and Bougainville. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Hansford Lodge #1040 AF&AM, Scottish Rite in Lubbock and Khiva Temple of the Shrine. He was a charter member of the Spearman Industrial Foundation and was Spearman Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year in 1974.

Survivors include his wife, Anita; a stepdaughter, Roberta Whitehead of Kingwood; two stepsons, Eugene Schoenhals of Panhandle and Garner Schoenhals of Canadian; and a sister, Marie Halone of Billings, Mont.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

CHESTER GRIFFEY

AMARILLO - Chester Griffey, 75, a former Pampa resident, died Thursday, June 12, 1997. Services were at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Strong City Baptist Church at Strong City, Okla., with Melvin Byer officiating. Burial was in Strong City Cemetery under the direction of Rose Chapel Funeral Service of Cheyenne, Okla.

Mr. Griffey was born at Strong City and attended school at Five Star. He married Adalie Kingman in 1954. She died in 1975. The couple moved to Amarillo from Pampa. He married Colleen Jackson in 1978 at Amarillo; she died in 1982. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving four years in the Pacific during World War II. He returned to Strong City directly following the war.

Survivors include a daughter, Laura Cochran of Amarillo; three sons, Lee Kingman of Longview, Walter Kingman of Woodward, Okla., and Frank Kingman of Washington; three sisters, Dessie McClellan and Ellie Myers, both of Cheyenne, and Nona Barney of Chaparral, N.M.; two brothers, Everett Griffey of Sallisaw, Okla., and Frank Griffey of Texas; plus several grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

NOVIA MARTIN

WELLINGTON - Novia Martin, 76, sister of of Shamrock residents, died Sunday, June 15, 1997. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Johnny Tims and the Rev. Elvis Pitts, pastor of Faith Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was to be in North Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home.

Mrs. Martin was born at Glenrose and graduated from high school at Quail in 1940. She married J.Y. Martin in 1940 at Wellington; he died in 1986. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Jeannie Morris of Olton; two sons, Darin Martin of Wellington and Don Martin of Amarillo; five sisters, Rebbie Snider of Wellington, Janie Lowe and Irene Darth, both of Shamrock, Leatha Brownlee of Amarillo and Lorene Limer of Memphis; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Wellington Cemetery Association.

Calendar of events

WEST TEXAS SINGLES DANCE

The West Texas Singles will have a dance at the Buena Vista Community Center in Borger on Saturday, June 21. A potluck dinner will begin at 7 p.m., followed by a dance at 8 p.m. featuring Indian Summer. Admission is \$5. No alcohol, no smoking permitted.

Obituaries

CURTIS A. PHILLIPS I

AMARILLO - Curtis A. Phillips I, 85, father of a Pampa resident, died Saturday, June 14, 1997. Graveside services were to be at 11 a.m. today in White Deer Cemetery at White Deer. Burial will be under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mr. Phillips was born Jan. 21, 1912, at Wellington. He married Margaret Hazel Hearn on May 5, 1945, at Clarendon; she died Feb. 28, 1989. He had been a Canyon resident for six years, a Borger resident for 23 years and a Clarendon resident for 14 years prior to moving to Amarillo seven years ago. He worked as a custodian at West Texas State University for several years, retiring in 1975. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II in the 39th Infantry Battalion from 1942-1944. He received two Bronze Stars, a Purple Heart and the Good Conduct Medal and was a lifetime member of Disabled American Veterans. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Clarendon.

Survivors include three daughters, Rogenna Kirkland of Amarillo, Teresa S. Phillips of Clarendon and Loris R. Kirkland of Belton, Mo.; two sons, Otis L. Phillips of Amarillo and Curtis A. Phillips II of Pampa; two sisters, Margie Smith of Texarkana and Ernestine Brummett of Canyon Lake; a brother Bennie Phillips of California; and eight grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Panhandle Chapter of the Alzheimers Association, 2200 West 7th Street, Amarillo, TX 79106.

Ambulance

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

MONDAY, June 16

9:34 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 9000 block of Lea on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

10:07 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport one patient to Baptist St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

12:39 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1800 block of Hamilton on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

12:42 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of Williston on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

1:31 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2100 block of Mary Ellen on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Baptist St. Anthony's West.

2:00 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport one patient to the 1800 block of Lea.

11:41 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of south Hobart on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

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3:12 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of North Wells on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atterbury Grain of Pampa

Chevron	76 3/8	dn 1/2
Coca Cola	71 1/4	dn 3/8
Columbia/HCA	38 3/8	NC
Fison	41 5/8	dn 1/4
Halliburton	79 3/8	up 7/8
Ingersoll Rand	60 1/8	dn 3/4
KNE	42 5/8	dn 1/4
Kerr McGee	66 1/4	dn 3/8
Limited	19 1/2	dn 1/4
Mapco	31 5/8	up 1/8
McDonald's	49 3/8	dn 3/8
Mobil	142 3/8	dn 1 1/4
New Atmos	24 5/8	dn 1/4
Parker & Parsley	34 5/8	NC
Penney's	51 1/2	dn 1/4
Phillips	44 1/8	dn 1/8
SLB	121 7/8	dn 1/8
SPS	38 1/4	NC
Tenneco	45	dn 1/8
Texasco	113 3/8	dn 1/2
Ultramar	32 1/4	dn 1/2
Wal Mart	33 3/8	up 1/2
New York Gold	342 20	
Arco	74 1/2	dn 7/8
Silver		4 7/8
Cabot	26 1/4	dn 1/8
West Texas Crude		19 00
Cabot O&G	18	up 1/8

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

Mutual	91 44
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The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation

Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa	90 1/4	dn 1 1/4
Amoco	74 1/2	dn 7/8
Arco	74 1/2	dn 7/8
Cabot	26 1/4	dn 1/8
Cabot O&G	18	up 1/8

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

Amoco	90 1/4	dn 1 1/4
Arco	74 1/2	dn 7/8
Cabot	26 1/4	dn 1/8
Cabot O&G	18	up 1/8

Police report

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

MONDAY, June 16

A theft of \$13.01 worth of gas was reported at the Taylor Mart located at 1342 N. Hobart.

A runaway was reported in the 400 block of North Gray.

An assault by threat was reported in the 300 block of Henry.

Arrest

Billy Willingham, 35, of Pampa, was arrested on three municipal warrants.

Fires

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

MONDAY, June 16

12:37 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to a medical assist at 1821 Hamilton.

12:38 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to a medical assist at 1216 Williston.

Emergency numbers

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

County

Carter said combining the Alanreed and McLean voting places will be more convenient and helpful in that precinct, but that there are other areas to combine in Pampa, as well.

"Applications are being accepted in my office now for people to request mail-in ballots for August voting. This convenience is for those who are disabled or sick, or over age 65, or who will be out of town on that date," Carter said. She said she will post a notice when early voting begins.

Sealed bids were accepted by the commissioners for tax properties in McLean: Bid offer of \$125 on Original Town Block 27, Lots 6, 7 and the West 60 feet of Lots 8, 9 and 10; and a bid offer of \$50 on Original Town Block 27, East 55 feet of Lots 8, 9 and 10. No other bids were received for

either property.

According to the county tax assessor/collector, the person or persons submitting the offers has 30 days in which to complete the transaction and close the tax-bid purchase.

Following the court's discussion, the request of White Deer Land Museum Curator Anne Davidson to terminate a security contract agreement with Allstate Securities was tabled. The commissioners approved a motion from the court to allow time for County Attorney Alvey and Davidson to review the current contract agreement with Allstate and to look into possible settlement terms, if said contract is ended prematurely.

Other items approved by the court include:

- Office of county clerk to hire an additional employee to replace the recently retired Jody Finckenbinder; and to add Deputy

Clerk Pam Walton's signature to the county's bank accounts and the county clerk's accounts.

• Opening a new bank account for use by the tax assessor/collector for collections of city taxes. All checks on this account will be written and signed by the county's authorized deputies in the tax assessor/collector's office, for the benefit of the City of Pampa.

• To add signature of Alicia Heil to tax office bank accounts.

• Tax Deputy Gay Guiliani's completion of Course #235, Assessment/Truth in Taxation, for continued education credit.

• County Auditor Elaine Morris' and Assistant Auditor Carla Carter's completion of continuing education course for credit.

• Treasurer's reports, and

• Payment of all bills, salaries, transfers recommended by the county auditor, treasurer and county intrabudget transfers.

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Mann

Gov. George W. Bush also took time to welcome the new members of the Republican Party in a press conference held today in Austin.

"The Republican Party represents the philosophy of Texas," stated Gov. Bush. "We believe government should do a few things and do them well. We believe in local control of our schools and cities and communities. We believe in strong families and individual responsibility."

"I welcome these local officials, county commissioners, sheriffs and judges to the party of Texas' future, the Republican Party," the

Republican governor said.

Texas has led the country with the number of elected officials switching to the Republican party with 76 elected Democrats turning the tide since 1992. The majority of these Texas party jumpers, 73, have switched since 1994. Nationwide, 154 other Democrat officials have changed party affiliation since November 1994.

The other 14 elected officials and two activists across the state who took part in last Thursday's ceremony in Austin were: Royce V. Pruitt, Glasscock County Sheriff; Neel Richardson, Harris County Criminal Court Judge; Joe Martin, Angelina County Court Judge; James Blackstock,

Brazoria County Court Judge; Gary Geick, Fort Bend County Justice of the Peace; C.H. Terry, McCall, Comanche County Attorney; Joe Pollack, Burnet County Sheriff; Dewey Hollingsworth, Burnet County Justice of the Peace; Bill Johnson, Burnet County Justice of the Peace; Janet Parker, Burnet County Clerk; Betty Pate, Glasscock County District Clerk; Wilburn Bednar, Glasscock County Court Judge; Marilee Jost, Glasscock County Justice of the Peace; Billy Kothmann, Mason County Commissioner; Beverly Clark, activist; and Geraldine Sam, activist.

Mann declined to comment on his reasons for switching parties.

CONT. FROM PG. 1

Inmate

Written statements from other inmates request that she not be in their cell because of her foul, dirty mouth and the abusive language she continually uses.

Mills admits that she has been verbally abusive to other inmates and has had a number of cell mates request to be moved due to her bad days.

Copeland said that inmates are allowed to use the phones, but

they have to make collect calls and calls are limited to 20 minutes and then phones automatically shut off. If the inmate wants to call again, they have to redial. The recipient of the call has the right to refuse the call.

"The only time we restrict an inmate's phone privileges is when other inmates complain or we get a complaint from outside," said Copeland.

"These people just have to learn we have rules and they have to follow them. As far as the allegations

against Mrs. Wooley, we consider it a closed subject. We've looked into it and found no grounds for the charges," said Potter.

Mills said she now has to wonder how bad her treatment will get after speaking to the press and going public with her allegations.

Copeland said, "We'll carry on the way we have. We'll continue to look into any charge of abuse, but this is not the local Hilton. This is a jail. With that come restrictions that people may or may not like."

British Conservatives still trying to elect party leader

LONDON (AP) - Britain's battered Conservatives failed to elect a leader for the second time today, and will settle the matter in a runoff on Thursday.

Former Treasury chief Kenneth Clarke got 64 votes, 19 short of the necessary majority of the 164 Conservative members of Parliament.

William Hague was two votes

behind in the race to succeed former Prime Minister John Major. John Redwood, the former Welsh secretary, got 38 votes and was eliminated.

Unlike the Labor Party, which won a sweeping victory at the polls May 1, Conservatives do not give the grassroots a formal voice in selecting the party leader, but reserve

that decision to members of Parliament.

The leadership race has boiled down a fight over the European single currency, an issue which bedeviled Major's government. Clarke says Britain should keep its options open; Hague says that if he were prime minister, he would not abandon the pound sterling.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, generally fair and calm with a low in the upper 50s. Wednesday, generally sunny with a high in the upper 80s and southerly winds 5-15 mph. Monday's high was 80; the overnight low was 55. Pampa received 0.02 inch of moisture in the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. today.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, mostly clear with lows in mid to upper 50s. Wednesday, mostly sunny with highs from mid 80s to around 90. South Plains: Tonight, clear. Lows near 60. Wednesday, sunny. Highs near 90.

North Texas - Tonight, partly cloudy west and central. A chance of rain and thunderstorms early east, then decreasing cloudiness. Lows 68 to 72.

Wednesday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms east. Highs 87 to 93.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Flood and flash flood watch in effect for south central sections through tonight. Tonight, rain ending early, becoming partly cloudy. Lows from 60s Hill Country to 70s south central. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and hot. Highs in the 90s. Upper Coast: Flood and flash flood watch in effect through tonight. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms, some may be severe with heavy rain. Lows from 70s inland to near 80 coast. Wednesday, partly cloudy and warm with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 90 inland to 80s coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Flood and flash flood watch in effect for Victoria and Calhoun counties

through tonight. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows near 80 coast to the 70s inland. Wednesday, partly cloudy and hot. Highs near 90 coast to the 90s inland, and near 100 Rio Grande plains.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, a few evening thunderstorms north central and northeast, otherwise fair. Lows mid 30s to low 50s mountains with mid 50s to mid 60s elsewhere. Wednesday, isolated afternoon thunderstorms over most mountain ranges, otherwise fair. Warmer again on Wednesday with highs 70s and 80s mountains and north with mostly 90s lower elevations central and south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 60s. Wednesday, a 20 percent chance of afternoon showers southeast, otherwise partly cloudy. Highs in upper 80s to low 90s.

City briefs

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FREE INTERNET School, Thursday, June 19th, 7 p.m. NTS Communications, call 665-0706 to register. Adv.

MEN'S NIGHT - Tuesday night, new specials, open 5 p.m. til 12. Kitchen now open! Landmark Club, 618 W. Foster. Adv.

DAVID & Deanna McGill announce the birth of Dacie Jeanne McGill on June 11, 1997, 8 lbs. 2 oz. 21 in. long. Grandparents are Helen & Bill McGill and Ronnie & Betty Parsley. Adv.

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State briefs

American Airlines to brief media regarding regional jets
FORT WORTH (AP) — After some window shopping at the Paris Air Show, AMR Corp. apparently is ready to make its first order on eventual purchases of 67 small jets to be flown by its commuter operation, American Eagle.

American Eagle president Dan Garton will hold a news conference today to discuss the regional airline's "fleet planning decisions" regarding regional jets, the company announced in a statement Monday.

Company officials refused to be any more specific on Monday. However, one source told The Associated Press that discussions went on throughout the day Monday on exactly what will be on the shopping list.

AMR, which plans to use the jets to replace some of American Eagle's turboprop planes, has been studying the Canadair regional jet made by Bombardier of Montreal and the EMB-145 made by Embraer of Brazil. The jets have a list price of \$15 million to \$18 million each.

A particularly sticky part of the contract approved last month by the pilots union at American allows American Eagle pilots to fly the planes. American's pilots, who are paid far more than American Eagle's pilots, had wanted the right to fly the planes.

Two sentenced in 1996 casino bus hijacking

TYLER (AP) — Two men who helped hijack a casino shuttle bus bound for Louisiana have been sentenced to lengthy stretches in federal prison.

Joseph James Falcetta Jr., 24, of Fort Worth, was sentenced Monday to almost 16 years for his March guilty pleas to a hijacking charge and a weapons charge.

He admitted to shooting bus driver Mike Gibbs in the jaw during the Nov. 7 heist attempt. Robert Allen Melanson, 23, of White Settlement pleaded guilty in February to armed robbery. Melanson was sentenced to nine years and two months in prison.

Both men also must serve five years of supervised release and each pay \$108,606 in restitution.

Bush ponders reprieve in Montoya case

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush plans to decide on Wednesday whether to delay the execution of a Mexican who supporters claim was wrongly convicted in the 1985 robbery and slaying of a motorist.

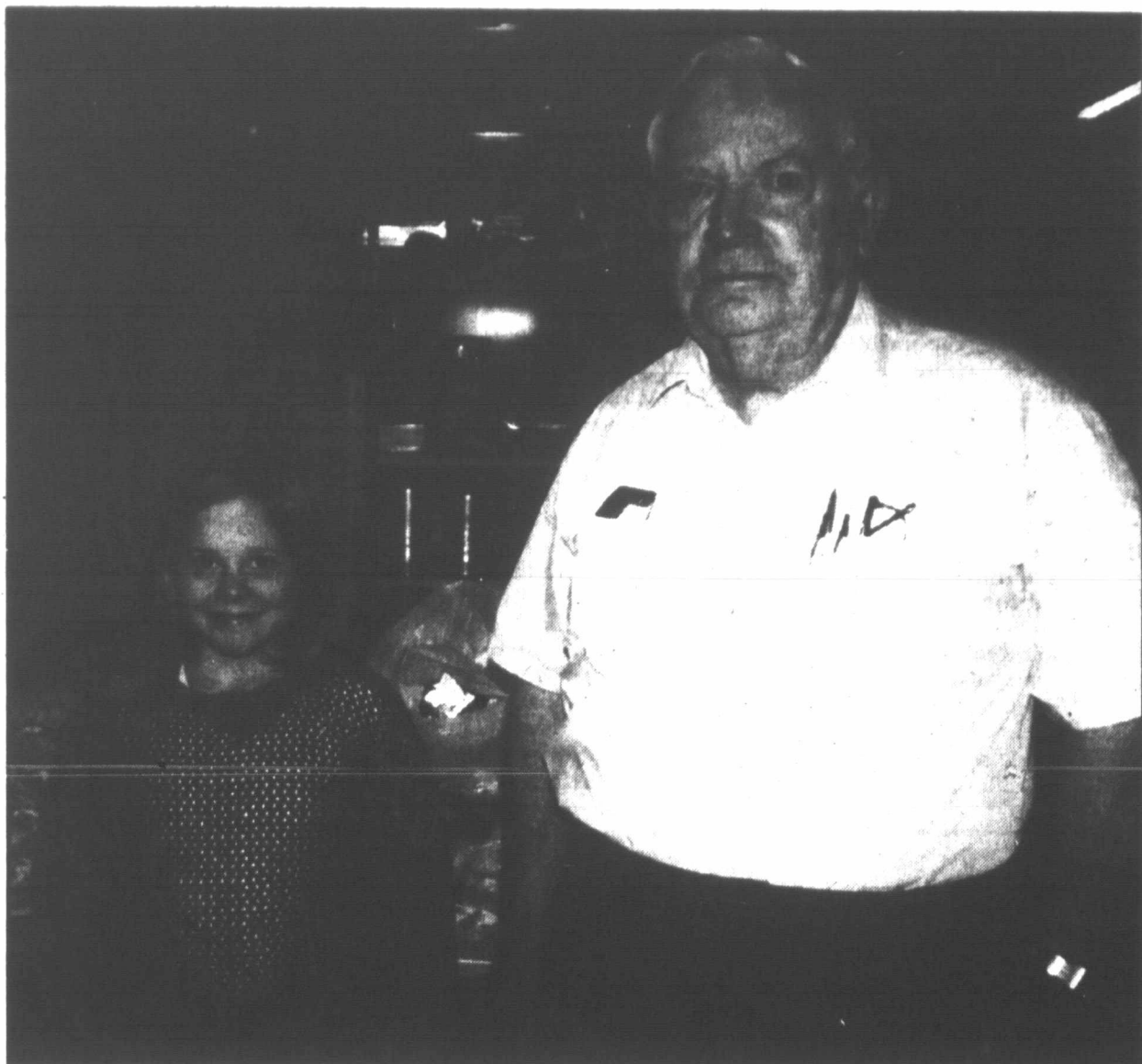
"Once all the court decisions are exhausted, I will make up my mind," Bush said Monday during a trip to this border city.

Irineo Tristan Montoya, 30, is scheduled to die by lethal injection Wednesday evening for the Nov. 17, 1985, robbery and stabbing death of John Kilheffer near Brownsville.

However, Montoya's family and supporters claim he is innocent and are imploring Bush to delay the execution to give them more time to prove their case.

They contend that Montoya, a laborer with a fifth-grade education, signed a confession in English that he didn't understand, had no attorney at the time of his arrest and was denied the right to contact Mexico's consul.

Good Samaritan donation



Always a good place to make a donation, the Good Samaritan House Christian Services at 309 N. Ward in Pampa was where Marissa Hudson, 9, chose to donate clothing, toys and food. Shown here are Marissa and executive director Bill Ragsdale, who accepted the donation on behalf of Good Samaritan House. Marissa is a Travis Elementary School student and wanted to "help people who need it." She is the daughter of Nelda Hudson of Pampa and Dusty Hudson of Pampa. Marissa attends Zion Lutheran in Pampa and is a member of Troop #77 Brownie Girl Scouts. Good Samaritan Christian Services is a local source of help for those in need in the community. It is supported entirely by donations and made up of a group of local churches. It was founded in 1983. Ragsdale has been executive director for 14 years. There is always a need for donations, particularly children's clothing, food or funds to be utilized for food distribution in the Pampa area.

Charge may be dismissed against former student in slaying of teacher

ANGELTON, Texas (AP) — A murder charge filed last month against a former Angleton High School student in the shooting death of a teacher may be dismissed unless new evidence surfaces, Brazoria County Sheriff Joe King says.

The former student may have been the driver and not the person who fired the shot that killed Donna Beth Sanford more than six years ago, King said Monday.

Michael John Bass, 23, was arrested May 14 on a charge of murder in Sanford's death. He was being held at the time in the Brazoria County Jail on an unrelated robbery charge.

His bond was set at \$1 million in the April 2, 1991, shooting death of the former geometry teacher.

The sheriff told *The Brazosport Facts* Monday that officers first believed Bass the triggerman, but now think a second unnamed suspect, also a former student, fired the shot.

"That's more a guess than anything," King said. "That's assuming there were at least two people in the car and one of them had to be the driver. Because of some of the information that's been discovered in the case — and without going into it — we feel that the other suspect would have been the most likely shooter."

Authorities issued 14 subpoenas last week for witnesses to testify before the Brazoria County grand jury investigating the Sanford slaying. Nine have testified so far; the remaining five probably will testify when the grand jury reconvenes in July, the sheriff said.

Immigration officials initiate probe into voter fraud

DALLAS (AP) — It was, some say, an unlikely site for an investigation by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service into possible voter fraud.

The INS made a computer check of the 400 registered voters in a single Dallas County ZIP code that's located entirely with-

in the Southern Methodist University campus. SMU has about 500 foreign students among its student body of 9,300.

Federal officials said they have found five suspicious names in that ZIP code. The INS inquiry into whether noncitizens have cast ballots in Dallas County elections has triggered controversy between immigrant advocates and those who call for more restrictions on immigration.

Immigrant advocacy groups say that the investigation is being conducted without merit and that such "fishing expeditions" intimidate ethnic voters, especially Hispanics.

"It's disconcerting to me that there would be a haphazard investigation and witch hunt without any real basis," said Vanna Slaughter, coordinator of

the Texas Immigration and Refugee Coalition and the director of immigration counseling services for Catholic Charities in Dallas.

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Texas cattlemen challenge Oprah's stance on beef

By MARK BABINECK
 Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO (AP) — Texas cattlemen don't care that Oprah Winfrey swore off hamburgers. They just don't want millions of her viewers to do the same thing.

During an *Oprah Winfrey Show* broadcast last year, a guest said that feeding ground-up animal parts to cattle could spread mad-cow disease to humans in the United States. To applause from the studio audience, Ms. Winfrey exclaimed: "It has just stopped me from eating another burger!"

Cattle prices began to fall the day of the show and fell for two weeks before rising again.

Amarillo cattle feeder Paul Engler and a dozen cattlemen are now suing under a 1995 Texas law that protects agricultural products from slander.

"I couldn't help but be infuriated," said Engler, who flipped on the program while visiting Chicago, Ms. Winfrey's home base. "I sat there and couldn't hardly believe what I was seeing."

Engler's year old federal lawsuit appears to be the biggest test yet of so-called "veggie libel" laws, which sprouted after a 60 Minutes report in 1989 on the apple growth regulator Alar sent prices plummeting. Since then, 13 states have passed laws against falsely disparaging products.

Ms. Winfrey's show came at a time when drought, high feed prices and oversupply were crippling cattlemen. While her recommendations have made best sellers out of books, Engler said that same power cuts both ways.

Mad-cow disease, or bovine spongiform encephalopathy, has not been reported in the United States. It is a brain-destroying disease that has ravaged cattle in Britain since the late 1980s, where it is believed to have been spread by cattle feed containing ground-up sheep parts.

Panic erupted last year because

of fears that infected beef may have caused a version of a fatal human brain illness. But no definitive links have been found.

During the *Oprah* show, U.S. Humane Society official Howard Lyman told the audience that 100,000 cows in this country drop dead annually for no known reason, and are ground up and fed to other cows, Engler's lawsuit said.

"If only one of them has 'mad-cow disease,' that has the potential to infect thousands," said Lyman, an anti-meat activist, according to the lawsuit. He fol-

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—Oprah Winfrey

lowed other guests who played down the worries.

Cattle prices had dropped ten percent by the end of the month following the show, from 62 cents per pound to 55 cents.

Engler said he lost \$6.7 million. The cattlemen sued Lyman, Ms. Winfrey, her Harpo Productions Inc. and distributor King World Productions.

Ms. Winfrey defended the show shortly after its airing but has since refused to discuss it.

"I asked questions that I think that the American people deserve to have answered in light of what is happening in Britain. We gave them (cattlemen) a chance to respond," she said in a statement at the time.

Lyman's attorney, Barry Peterson, said: "We don't believe Mr. Lyman nor Ms. Winfrey ever said U.S. beef was infected. ... He only said that practices within the industry were potentially threatening."

Earlier this month, the Food and Drug Administration ordered an end to feeding cattle meat and bone meal from other cattle.

Texas man executed for killing clerk

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A man who professed his innocence to the end, signing off with "Let's rock-n-roll," was put to death for the murder of a convenience store clerk during a \$96 robbery.

David Stoker, 38, was executed Monday evening.

Stoker's execution was the sixth this month and 22nd this year, extending a Texas record for most executions in a single year. Two other condemned inmates are scheduled to die here this week.

Stoker was convicted in the 1986 slaying of David Manrique, a 50-year-old overnight clerk at a convenience store in Hale Center, about 50 miles north of Lubbock.

In a six-paragraph statement he asked to be released after his death, Stoker said he was innocent and thanked family members, friends

and his lawyers for support during what he called "one hell of an ordeal."

He also addressed his victim's family, five of whom witnessed the execution.

"I am truly sorry for your loss, but I didn't kill anyone," Stoker said. "The D.A. knows this. I do wish you peace and comfort."

He ended the statement by saying "Let's rock-n-roll ..."

Hale County District Attorney Terry McEachern, who prosecuted Stoker, said there was "no question about his guilt."

Texas leads the nation in carrying out capital punishment, killing 129 men in the past two decades. That's more than one-third of all executions in the United States since the Supreme Court ruling in 1976 allowing the death penalty to resume.

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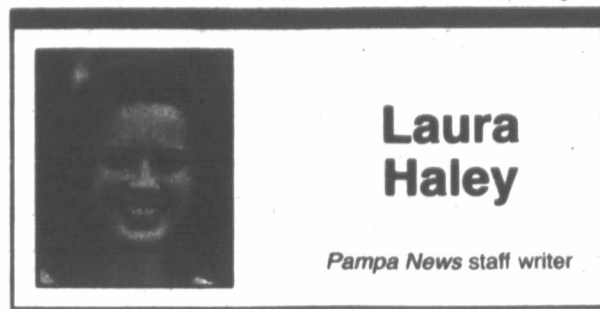
This could be a precious moment

Life is just a series of precious moments. Think about it ... the only thing we can really count on is time. It is always moving, sometimes slow and sometimes fast, but it never stops. And, just when you think the moment will last forever, it's years later and that moment has become a treasured memory.

When told I would be responsible for a weekly column, I began the chore of finding a picture of myself. I don't like pictures much, especially staged pictures. So, I decided to bring a picture from home. And, after looking through the photo album, I decided on the one above.

It's filled with many memories. In the picture, I'm camping with a very good friend. My hair isn't fixed, I have no makeup on and I was at my favorite place in the world - outdoors.

The pictures holds one of my favorite memories.



Laura Haley
Pampa News staff writer

It seems that too often that people don't take time to "smell the roses." Work, money and television often take precedence. But, most of my favorite memories do not revolve around work, money or television.

Sure, a fancy vacation in the Carribean sounds great. But, I would just as well rather camping in the mountains with a group of friends. Nothing beats sitting around the campfire, telling stories and laughing while the beer ices down in a mountain stream.

Sounds like a commercial, huh?

Well, while some of us watch it on television, others are out there living it. They work hard and play hard as well. I tend to think they are the individuals who have achieved that balance in life.

The balance between responsibility and fun. I know it's out there somewhere!

But, while looking, I have some great memories and an entire host of people that I will always call my friends - whether I meet them again or not.

After all, who are we without our memories? Who are we without our experiences? Our events and experiences, gives us our individuality.

Besides, of all life's most precious gifts, time is the most precious. And, I believe in using that time to give myself the best possible life.

Just remember, the most precious moments in life aren't always the most extravagant. Some of my favorite memories involve dancing to Neil Young in a friend's backyard, listening to music, hiking in the mountains and sitting around a campfire.

These events didn't really seem too important at the moment, but it's the moment that makes it important.

After all, life is just one precious moment after another.

Opinion

France is lurching towards the left

The election of a leftist majority in the French Parliament is likely to make it more difficult for the nations of Europe to agree on a single currency as a counter to the dollar and a prod to efficiency in economic transactions, and to make it more difficult to solve the problems of high unemployment that made the previous Parliamentary majority so unpopular.

But traditional political ideologies are less rigid and predictable than once they were, especially in the face of global economic competition, and the future could hold some surprises.

French President Jacques Chirac, a moderate conservative, took a gamble six weeks ago that by calling elections a year before they were required, he could solidify a majority strong enough to permit him to undertake economic reforms needed to prepare France for the era of a single European currency, to be called the euro. He lost to a coalition led by Socialist Party leader Lionel Jospin, which criticized the kinds of cost-cutting, privatizing, fiscally austere policies Chirac favored.

In general, socialist parties promote a strong role for the state in economic matters. The Socialist victory in France is widely interpreted as a sign that the French people will not tolerate even mild-mannered threats to the superficially generous but longterm economically disastrous welfare-state entitlements to which they have grown accustomed.

There's truth in that assessment. Certainly Jospin played on fears that welfare benefits might be cut, and advocated a more "flexible" interpretation of the Maastricht Treaty that is supposed to pave the way for European political and monetary unification.

But politics being the art of compromise and maneuver, socialists aren't always rigid socialists. Former French President Mitterrand, running and ruling as a socialist, instituted some modest free-market-oriented reforms and entitlement reforms in France in the early 1980s.

The main reason Chirac's allies lost - besides mounting nationalist concern over whether unification under Maastricht would make Euro-bureaucrats the masters of France's fate - is that unemployment has stayed at around 12.8% despite promises that Chirac's half-hearted market reforms would bring it down. Jospin promised to create 700,000 new jobs, half in the public sector.

Keeping that promise under his proposal would require even more government spending, and probably higher taxes, which would stifle economic growth and almost certainly leave unemployment at similar or not higher rates. The best way to reduce unemployment is by encouraging economic growth, and the best way to do that is to reduce taxes, slice economic regulations and encourage personal responsibility rather than an entitlement mentality.

Jospin, sensing victory and the possibility he would have to take responsibility for programs rather than mere rhetoric, has already moderated his criticism of privatization.

It is unlikely that Jospin will see the free-market light and implement liberal economic policies under a cloak of socialist rhetoric. But stranger things have happened.

-Odessa American

Thought for today

"I never saw a richer country or to speak my mind a finer people. The worst of them is the bitter and envenomed dislike which they have to each other; their factions have been so long envenomed and having so little ground to fight their battle in that they are like people fighting with daggers in a hog's head."

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The truth about the USS Liberty

Charley Reese

To know what is right and not do it is the worst cowardice, according to Confucius.

That says it all about the Congress and the USS Liberty, the intelligence ship attacked by Israeli jets and torpedo boats while in international waters in 1967. Thirty-four Americans were killed, 171 wounded and the ship so badly damaged it had to be sold for scrap.

This month the survivors gathered in Washington for the 30th anniversary reunion. For 30 years, they have asked the government they served for only one simple thing: the truth. Hold a congressional hearing. Take testimony. Declassify all the records. Nothing more.

For 30 years, the Congress, which is Zionist-occupied territory, has refused to do for the men of the USS Liberty what Congress has always done throughout American history whenever an American ship was attacked or suffered an accident while at sea: conduct a congressional inquiry.

Why this cruel betrayal of American sailors? The answer is simple. Your congressmen and your senators are more loyal to the Israeli lobby than they are to your sons and daughters serving in the armed forces of the United States. You should never forget or forgive that.

It is nothing short of treason of the heart. Israel has claimed the attack was a mistake, though it took place in bright sunlight after

hours of reconnaissance. The ship was flying a large American flag. It bore no resemblance to an Egyptian rust bucket that Israel, in one of its several versions of what happened, claimed it thought it was.

The U.S. government, by the way, rushed out with an acceptance of the Israeli account even before the survivors had stopped bleeding, much less been interviewed. For 30 years, no one in the U.S. government has been willing to say why U.S. planes on a carrier, which had been launched to defend the Liberty, were instantly recalled, leaving the Liberty and her dying and wounded unprotected.

Now the survivors, who have doggedly pursued declassification of documents, have uncovered a new twist. Apparently a U.S. submarine was also present and photographed the attack.

Survivors located four members of the crew of the USS Ambergack S552, who have confirmed that they were present and submerged during the attack. According to Jim Ennes, a USS Liberty officer and author, one of the senior enlisted men told the Liberty guys that

the sound of gunfire, missiles and torpedo explosion was so loud that some of the crew thought the Ambergack was under depth-charge attack.

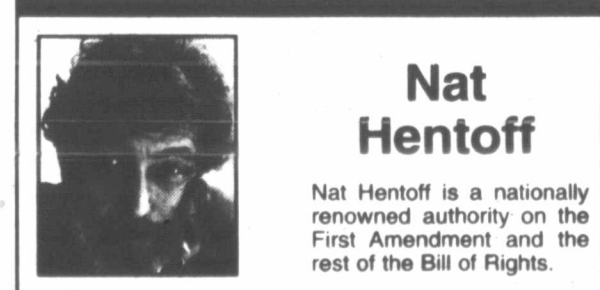
Two other clues: first, a declassified memo of a briefing of the "303 Committee" (high-ranking U.S. officials) about a sensitive Department of defense project known as FRONTLET 615. A notation mentions a submarine in United Arab Republic waters. At the time, that's what Egypt and Syria were called.

Second, the official ship's history shows the Ambergack was in the area during the 1967 war. The Ambergack's former skipper denies it, but remember, both the Ambergack and the Liberty were on highly classified missions.

Liberty survivors are hoping that other enlisted men or officers who served on that mission of the Ambergack will come forward. If indeed periscope photographs were taken, then those pictures would prove that the survivors' account of the attack is the truth.

To the everlasting shame of some Americans, these USS Liberty survivors have been vilified as anti-Semites and drunks because they refuse to stop their search for the truth. The low-down, yellow dog cowards in Congress have allowed these men to be called liars while refusing to do their duty and produce the evidence - which certainly exists that would verify their accounts.

Bioethicists are chock full of malarkey!



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While he was governor of Colorado, Richard Lamm became, for a time, a troubling national presence. Not as a result of his politics but because of the challenge he issued to the citizenry in every state. At an autumnal age, he said, it is a moral responsibility to make room for the young. As leaves fall from the trees in the fall, so old people have a duty to die.

The governor and I were asked to debate this proposition at Pennsylvania State University. When we arrived at the hotel in the afternoon, he urgently asked the desk clerk if there were a gym nearby where he could have his customary workout. It occurred to me that he wanted to delay the day, as best he could, when his own leaves would fall.

As a consequence of the current national debate on physician-assisted suicide, its opponents have predicted that if assisted suicide is legalized, people whose illnesses are costly and long term may be convinced they have a duty to die. Feeling guilty because of the burden they have become to their families, they - with suicide now approved by society - may ask their doctors to help them die.

Now, in certain bioethical circles, the morality of dying as a utilitarian imperative is being advanced. Those who mocked Gov. Lamm's advice to go responsibly into the good night may have been premature.

The Hastings Center Report is one of the more respected journals dealing with the nature of human nature and medical ethics. The leading article on the cover of its March/April issue is John Hardwig's "Is There a Duty to Die?" The author teaches medical ethics and social political philosophy at East Tennessee State University.

At the start, Hardwig declares that "modern

medicine and an individualistic culture have seduced many [into believing] that they have a right to health care and a right to live, despite the burdens and costs to our families and society."

Hardwig recognizes that there already is a legal right to refuse life-prolonging medical treatment. But, he claims, "a duty to die can go well beyond that ... There may be a fairly common responsibility to end one's life in the absence of any terminal illness." Indeed, "there can be a duty to die even when one would prefer to live."

After all, "the lives of our loved ones can be seriously compromised by caring for us ... There is a sense in which we fail to respect ourselves if in the face of illness or death, we stoop to choosing just what is best for ourselves."

Years ago, Michigan University law professor Yale Kamisar predicted that with the coming of assisted suicide, precisely this kind of argument could well persuade vulnerable patients to let themselves slip into eternity rather than remain a burden.

Hardwig also makes the stern point that as we grow older, the duty to die becomes more compelling because "we will be giving up less ... we will sacrifice fewer remaining years of life." (Perhaps copies of Walter Huston

singing September Song may ease the way.)

Hardwig presses on: "To have reached the age of, say, 75 or 80 years without being ready to die is itself a moral failing, the sign of a life out of touch with life's basic realities."

Will octogenarians who are not ready to die be publicly shamed as the moral community shuns them?

There is another criterion for being ready to join the falling leaves in autumn. "A duty to die," says Hardwig, "is more likely when you have a ready lived a rich and full life. You have already had a full share of the good things life offers." I assume that the chronically poor as well as longterm prisoners are given compensatory time to stay alive.

But there is a way out for most of the rest of us. If, Hardwig says, the society is willing to "pay for facilities that provide excellent long-term care (not just health care) for all chronically ill, debilitated, mentally ill or demented people in this country ... the duty to die would then be virtually eliminated."

Hardwig, however, is a realist: "We Americans seem to be unwilling to pay for this kind of long-term care, except for ourselves and our own." There will be no escaping, then, a duty to die, provided, says Hardwig, we have the courage to die in order to protect our loved ones from the costs, financially and emotionally, of our staying on.

John Hardwig is not alone. I have heard doctors say that certain patients, taking up expensive space in a hospital, have a duty to die because they will never be able to walk out of the hospital. Dr. Jack Kevoorkian is his own kind of ethicist, but if his bedside manner were not so startling, he would be seen as not far from the current ready-to-die mainstream.

John Hardwig says, "We fear death too much." My sense is we do not fear bioethicists enough.

FBI's use of mob informants draws scrutiny

BOSTON (AP) — For years, James "Whitey" Bulger ran the rackets in South Boston, and every time the FBI moved against organized crime in New England, he slipped through the net.

But apparently he was being tossed back, an informant whose tips against the Mafia may have won him FBI help in escaping capture days before he was indicted in 1995.

The admission that the brother of former state Senate President William Bulger was an informant has a judge threatening to jail a Justice Department lawyer and could lead to freedom for numerous mobsters.

The Justice Department was due in federal court today to respond to an order that it name reputed mobsters who may have been informants.

"You cannot call yourself law enforcement when you're tipping off a guy ahead of time to facilitate his escape, as apparently was done," said Edith Flynn, a Northeastern University professor who specializes in organized crime.

The controversy surrounds the case of Francis P. "Cadillac Frank"

Salemme, who spent years in prison on charges related to a car bomb that blew the legs off a defense lawyer representing a mob turncoat.

When he was released, Salemme took over a New England Mafia devastated by several FBI stings that led to convictions for numerous top members of the Patriarca crime family, according to prosecutors.

Salemme, who survived bullets to the chest and leg in an ambush outside a pancake house during his alleged 1989 takeover, was indicted on racketeering and extortion charges in 1995.

The case began unraveling earlier this month when the FBI, under pressure from U.S. District Judge Mark L. Wolf, admitted Whitey and sidekick Stephen "The Rifleman" Flemmi had been informants for years.

Whitey, named for his hair, ran the Winter Hill Gang, the last remnant of the Irish mob that owned Boston rackets before the Italian Mafia in the city's North End moved in, confining the gang to South Boston or "Southie."

Teen sensation big winner at TNN Music City News Awards

By JIM PATTERSON
Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Sitting at the edge of the stage singing "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry" to a hushed audience, LeAnn Rimes seemed way ahead of her designation by fan voters as a "star of tomorrow."

Alan Jackson, the evening's big

while many radio programmers stayed on the fence in 1996.

"I know who got me here," she said, retelling the tale of how "Blue" was the top-selling country single for over 20 weeks while only reaching No. 10 in the industry charts.

"Thanks to the fans."

The TNN Music City News Awards are the only of three major country awards shows in which fans pick the winners. Industry insiders choose who gets awards from the Academy of Country Music and the Country Music Association.

The fans stuck again with old favorites like Jackson this year. Brooks

"I know who got me here. Thanks to the fans."

—LeAnn Rimes

winner Monday at the TNN Music City News Awards, picked up with typical humility the top award as entertainer of the year and another one for best male vocalist. Meanwhile, the 14-year-old Rimes was all over the stage.

She adroitly co-hosted the show at the Grand Ole Opry House with old pros George Jones and Randy Travis. She picked up the award for female star of tomorrow, and modeled a succession of gowns with poise.

But it was her performances of the Hank Williams Sr. classic and the 1935 Patsy Montana hit "I Want to Be a Cowboy's Sweetheart" that sealed it.

LeAnn Rimes doesn't have to wait for tomorrow to be a star.

Jackson reacted to winning his fifth straight honor for best entertainer, and sixth for best male vocalist, by thanking "God and the Grand Ole Opry" for country music. Rimes chose the occasion of her award to show some moxie.

She noted that fans bought her breakthrough hit Blue in droves

& Dunn won best vocal duo for the fourth straight year, and Jeff Foxworthy won best comedian for the third time. Sawyer Brown picked up its fifth best vocal band trophy. Lorrie Morgan won her second best female vocalist award, and another for best vocal collaboration for By My Side with Jon Randall. The pair have since married.

"It's our seventh-month anniversary, so this is a great gift," Morgan said.

The Statler Brothers won the best vocal group award for the 24th time in the last 25 years. Alabama interrupted their streak in 1983.

There was one upset victory. Billy Ray Cyrus, of Achy Breaky Heart fame, won best single for his bluegrass-tinged Trail of Tears. Fans voted for it over bigger hits by George Strait, Jackson, Vince Gill and Rimes.

Wade Hayes won the male star of tomorrow award. Album of the year was Blue Clear Sky, by Strait. A tearful Charlie Pride was presented the living legend award by Loretta Lynn.

Nation briefs

Manhattan woman suing makers of Rogaine

NEW YORK (AP) — A woman who sprouted a beard after taking Rogaine is suing for \$1.5 million.

Gloria Mosesson, 73, is suing Pharmacia & Upjohn Inc., maker of Rogaine, claiming it caused "heavy, dark, beard-like growth on her face, starting at about eye-brow level and extending down close to the chin area."

Mosesson began using the lotion in May 1996 for hair loss, according to a suit filed Monday in a Manhattan court.

Despite growing some facial hair, she kept using the drug because the instructions did not indicate facial hair could come from using the drug on the head, the suit alleged.

Mosesson stopped using the drug, but the facial hair "continued to grow, not just in length, but even spread," according to the suit.

Pharmacia spokesman John Wayne said the instructions explain that unwanted hair can grow if the product is applied frequently to areas other than the scalp, but Mosesson's lawyer says his client used the product correctly.

Executive, professor charged with espionage

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Two Taiwanese men were prepared to pay millions of dollars to a U.S. drug company worker for the secret to a lucrative ovarian cancer drug, authorities said.

"This is a billion-dollar product around the world," said John Skule, a spokesman for New York-based Bristol-Myers. "The cost to us would have been significant."

Kai-Lo Hsu, an employee of Taipei-based Yuen Foong Paper Co., and Chester Ho, a university professor, were arrested by FBI agents Saturday on charges they tried to cut a deal for Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.'s technological secrets.

Investigators said the men wanted to know how to produce Taxol, a drug made from the Pacific Yew tree, an endangered plant that can no longer be harvested.

The men were arrested after meeting with an undercover FBI agent and a Bristol-Myers employee posing as a corrupt scientist.

Hsu, 47, technical director of Yuen Foong, said his company was getting into the area of biotechnology and working on a government project on Taxol technology, investigators said.

Goldmans, Browns bickering over O.J. Simpson's assets

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Everyone knows the survivors of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman want to collect the \$33.5 million judgment from O.J. Simpson. Who knew it would turn into a competition?

At a hearing where Simpson lost a bid to keep thousands of dollars worth of property from creditors, a Goldman attorney accused lawyers for Simpson and the Brown family of conspiring to gain an unfair advantage.

The judge even responded to lengthy bickering at Monday's hearing by noting an "unseemly competition" between the parties.

"I'm troubled by that," Superior Court Judge Irving Shimer said.

Simpson was acquitted of criminal charges in the June 1994 slayings of his ex-wife and Goldman. Shimer will decide what property Simpson can exempt from the judgment won by Ms. Simpson's estate and Goldman's family in their wrongful death case.

The judge denied exemptions for \$170,000 worth of items, including a \$15,000 life-size bronze sculpture of Simpson and a \$5,700 painting. The biggest debate centered on Simpson's 51 golf clubs; Shimer turned down a request to let Simpson pick out a set to keep.

Commemorative clock



(Special photo)

City Manager Bob Eskridge and Community Services Director Bill Hildebrandt present City Librarian Dan Snider with an engraved clock commemorating Snider's 20 years of service with the city during a reception held in Snider's honor on Thursday, June 12, at the Lovett Memorial Library auditorium. Snider is retiring from his job as librarian in order to become the minister for First Presbyterian Church in Poplar Bluff, Mo., on July 1 of this year.

Treasure map leads police to \$1 million in gold coins

FORT WORTH (AP) — A hand-drawn treasure map found in the home of a prominent lawyer led authorities to \$1 million in gold coins purchased with stolen bank money, authorities say.

The attorney now faces up to 20 years in prison after he pleaded guilty Monday to charges of money laundering.

The map was found two years ago in Scott Erikson's home in Southlake, but authorities first doubted its veracity. They were investigating Erikson, who was working for the Resolution Trust Corp., a federal agency that was used to clear up the mess created by the savings and loan scandal.

But using the map and following the directions of Erikson, 50, they discovered \$1 million in gold coins buried five feet deep in Magalia, Calif. The 2,700 coins were stacked in PVC piping inside an ice chest.

"X marks the spot," U.S. Attorney David Jarvis said Monday after Erikson pleaded guilty in federal court in Fort Worth to money laundering and related charges. "Here's the gold."

Erikson's brother, Mark Steven Van Horne, 48, a certified public accountant from Grapevine,

pleaded guilty Monday to illegally structuring cash transactions.

The money-laundering charges against Erikson carry a maximum penalty of 20 years' imprisonment and \$500,000 fine. Van Horne's conviction carries a maximum penalty of five years' imprisonment and \$250,000 fine.

Sentencing for both is set for Sept. 22 before U.S. District Judge Terry Means.

Officials said Van Horne's purchase of numerous \$700 money orders at post offices and convenience stores tipped them off. He used \$55,000 in stolen money to buy money orders between 1992 and 1995, officials said.

Although the amounts were far below the \$3,000 threshold that requires postal workers to report the transactions, officials noticed the repeated purchases and compared notes.

Erikson, who has divorced and moved from Southlake, said Monday night he always felt that he would be caught some day.

"It was the most foolish and wrong thing I've ever done," Erikson told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "It was really stupid."

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Impatience With Kids' Injuries Casts Parents In Bad Light

DEAR ABBY: I am an orthopedic R.N. Depending on the season and the sport, I receive a lot of phone calls from parents. They usually consist of a dad asking if his little "Johnny" can get his cast off because "Johnny has to pitch in the big game tonight, and the team won't make it without him." Or, it might be a mom calling because "Suzie" has an audition for the ballet and she is in line to dance the lead. "She must have her cast off."

These parents need to get a clue that Johnny and Suzie aren't going to be able to pitch, dance, kick, hoist, twist, bend, etc. with a great deal of agility if they have been in a cast for six to eight weeks.

I have to fight the urge to say, "Mr. Smith, if you want to be the star pitcher so bad, do it yourself, don't do it vicariously through your son."

Abby, we aren't talking professional sports or even college-level sports here. We aren't even talking about those people with a scholarship riding on their participation. No, we're dealing with parents of Little Leaguers and amateur dance troupes.

A normal childhood means recovering from these fractures without pressure from Mom and Dad to perform. Since I can't say this to the parents coming into the clinic, I thought I'd say it this way.

AN ORTHOPEDIC NURSE,
PORTLAND, ORE.

DEAR NURSE: You have spo-



Abigail Van Buren
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

ken plainly, and I pray the parents who need to hear the message heed it. Parents must keep in perspective that the health of the child is more important than the temporary glory of a childhood event. Failure to do so can result in physical damage that can last a lifetime.

DEAR ABBY: Last night my husband asked me if I had noticed that whenever we go out for dinner, the server never asks him what he would like to eat. Instead, she turns to me and asks, "And what will he have?"

Abby, my husband has Parkinson's disease and his head now wobbles, his hands shake and he drags his foot a little, but there is nothing wrong with his mind. His hearing is excellent, he understands what people say, and he is not deaf, dumb or stupid.

When I am asked, "And what will he have?" I always say, "I don't know. Why don't you ask him?"

Abby, I'm constantly amazed at how stigmatized handicapped people are. My husband has a quick wit, a

great sense of humor and is a kind, generous man. Nobody is perfect. We all have some kind of disability. His hands may shake, but he can still put his arms around me, hold me and tell me how he loves me.

I doubt this will do any good, but I just had to get it off my chest. Just because a person has a physical disability doesn't make him less a person. Actually, he is more of a person because he's had to cope with so many difficult things in life — including stupid, insensitive people.

Thanks, Abby.

HARRIET R.
IN TAUNTON, MASS.

DEAR HARRIET: Thank you for a letter that I hope will educate many thoughtless people. I have had similar letters in my column over the years, but this message is so important it is well worth repeating.

P.S. The next time a server asks for the order, say, "Thank you. My husband will order for both of us."

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drag their feet. **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Friends will be favorably impressed by you today, because you'll back up your words with action. Your reliability will be greatly appreciated.

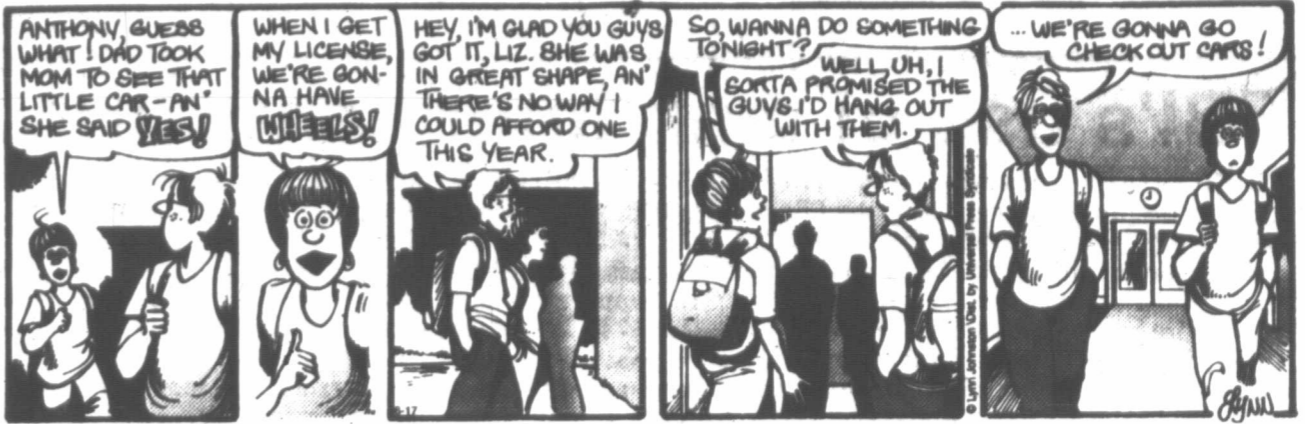
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Once you focus your mind upon a specific objective today, you're not apt to be deterred. It is important, however, that your goal is worthwhile.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you're contemplating a partnership arrangement today, be sure your cohort is as enthusiastic as you. Similar interests doubles the probability of success.

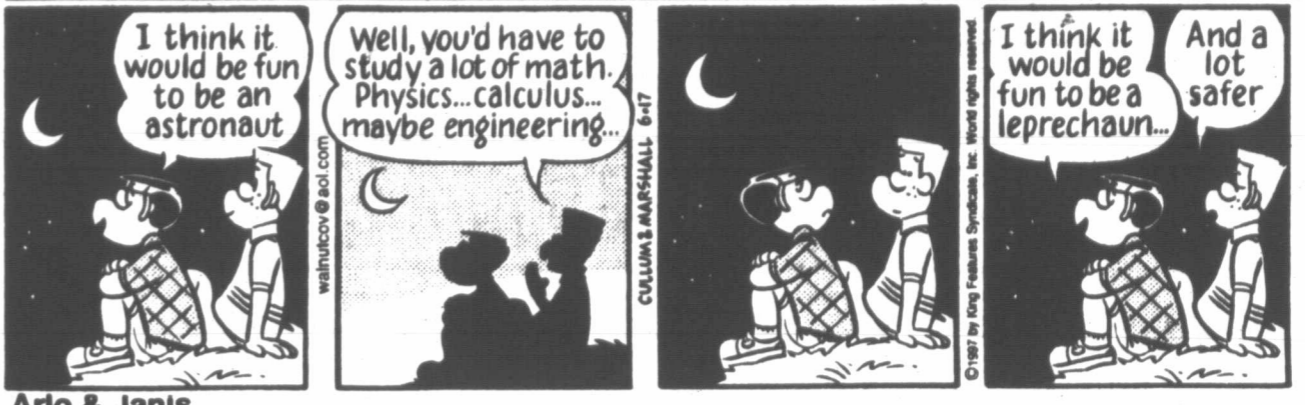
ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try to utilize your time productively and functionally today in ways that flex your mental and physical muscles. Try fixing something complex.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Others will find the warmth you radiate today extremely appealing. This is why people will gravitate to you when you make an entrance on the scene.

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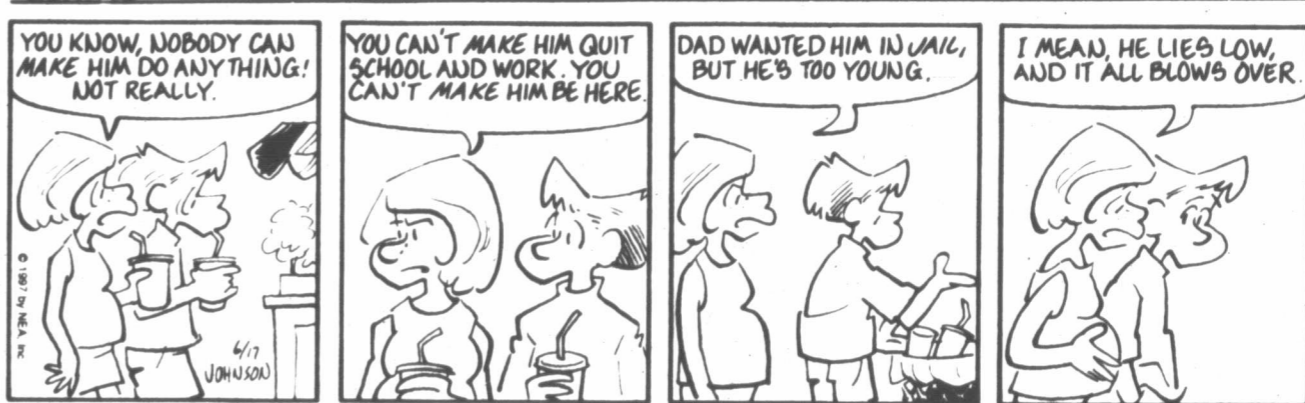
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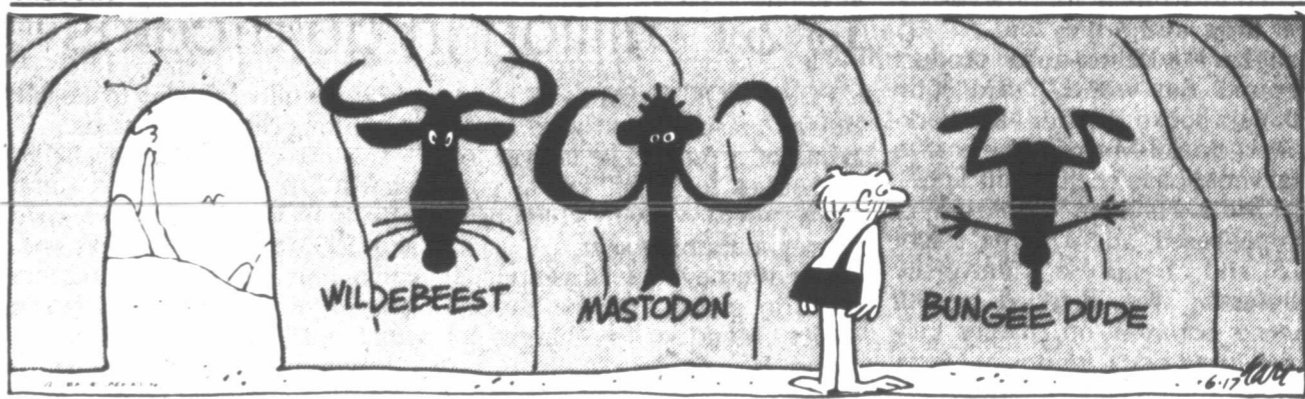
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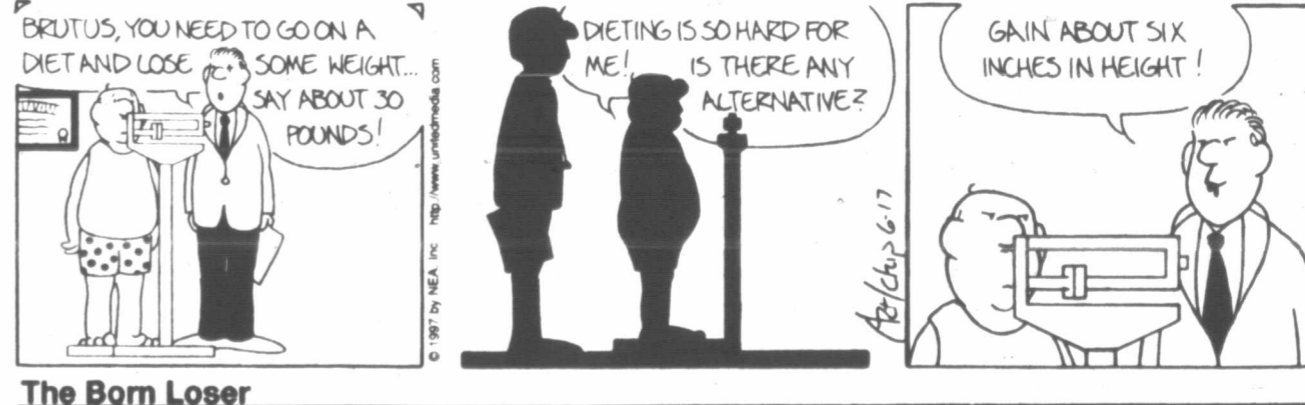
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Horoscope

Wednesday, June 18, 1997

In the year ahead you'll have greater latitude in influencing conditions that affect your resources. Your income will be relegated by your determination and enterprise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will feel restless and unfulfilled today if you do not use your time efficiently. Do something constructive so your report card doesn't show zero at day's end. Gemini, treat yourself to birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758 Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Complicated dealings with others today should work

out better if they are conducted in the afternoon. Try to position yourself accordingly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This may be a good day to close a matter in which a friend owes you something that is now past due. Expect a positive result and behave accordingly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Do not be reluctant today to assert your ideas if you think they are better than your comrades'. There is a very good chance you are right.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Ways to make or save money should be given top priority today. You have the gift of turning things of nominal potential into something substantial.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your newer interests are favored at this time. If you have something that recently piqued your imagination, devote plenty of time to it today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your objectives will be achievable today, but you may have to do some prodding to get others into the ball game. Do not let them



"We're growin' lights there. Mommy said she planted bulbs."

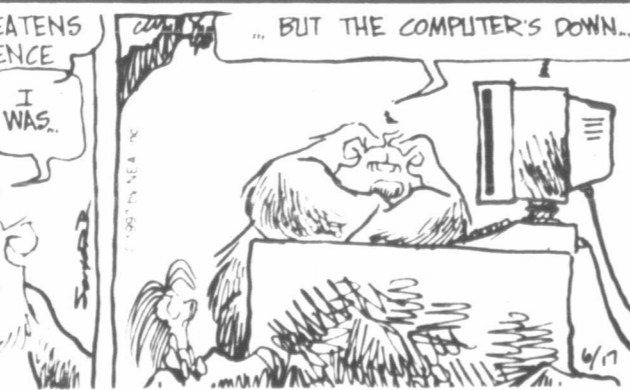


"I wanted you to fetch the stick!"

The Family Circus



Marmaduke



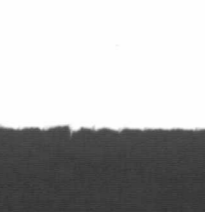
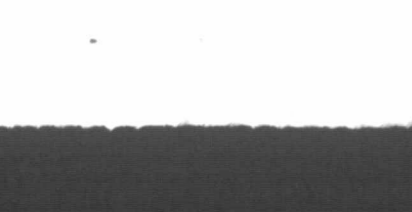
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BASEBALL

CLEVELAND (AP) — Rookie Brett Tomko returned to his hometown and pitched 7 1-3 shutout innings as Cincinnati beat Cleveland 4-1 Monday night in the first regular-season meeting between Ohio's major league teams.

Tomko (3-1), born in Cleveland, outdueled long-time National Leaguer Orel Hershiser.

The Reds got a run on a Cleveland error in the second inning, scored on three singles against Hershiser (6-3) in the seventh and added two runs in the ninth off reliever Paul Shuey.

The seventh-inning rally included the ejection of Indians manager Mike Hargrove for arguing a call at third base.

NEW YORK (AP) — Texas Rangers outfielder Rusty Greer has been chosen American League player of the week, while Florida Marlins pitcher Kevin Brown received NL honors.

Greer hit a league best .600 for the week with a slugging percentage of 1.250, and a .692 on-base percentage. In six games, he had 12 hits, including four doubles and three homers, with five RBIs and eight runs scored.

Brown pitched the first no-hitter in the majors this season and second in Marlins' team history on Tuesday against San Francisco. He struck out seven and hit one batter, preventing a perfect game.

TENNIS

DALLAS (AP) — Ninety-four student-athletes, including nine with a perfect 4.0 grade point average, have been named to the women's and men's Academic All-Big 12 Tennis Teams.

Four women top the list with perfect GPAs. They are Elena Piliptchak of Kansas State; Maria Abatjoglou of Kansas; Adriana Dulic of Nebraska; and Ashley Mokry of Texas.

On the men's side, Tim Jenkins of Colorado; Darren Plokhoy of Missouri; Henrik Andersson and Kelsey Moran of Nebraska; and Richard Warren of Oklahoma had 4.0 GPAs.

Student-athletes with a 3.30 grade point average or better are considered first team; a 3.0 to 3.29 GPA, honorable mention.

HOCKEY

TORONTO (AP) — Atlanta and the Twin Cities apparently are on the way back in the NHL, while Nashville and Columbus, Ohio, will join for the first time.

Several newspaper and television reports Monday said the league will expand to 30 teams by 2000. The NHL plan is to move into Nashville in 1998, Atlanta the next year and both St. Paul, Minn., and Columbus in 2000.

That means Houston and Oklahoma City will be bypassed.

"I can't say anything yet," St. Paul mayor Norm Coleman told the Minneapolis-St. Paul Star Tribune. "We're close, real close. Now we just have to figure out if Zambonis will work in a victory parade."

Only Nashville currently has an arena to house a team. That building opened earlier this year.

Atlanta will begin constructing a new \$213 million arena on the site of the Omni once that building has been demolished. St. Paul has arranged financing for a \$130 million arena, while Columbus also has a new building about to be built.

Interleague play brings out best in Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Coincidence or not, the beginning of interleague play seems to have brought out the best in the Texas Rangers.

After dropping the historic first AL-NL meeting Thursday night, Texas won the next three to build its longest winning streak since taking four straight May 9-12.

The Rangers head to Colorado for games tonight and Wednesday having won four of their last five. They've regained second in the AL West, two games behind Seattle with the Mariners coming to Texas for four games beginning Thursday.

"There is a difference in here," manager Johnny Oates said after Sunday's 7-4 victory over the San Diego Padres. "I can't put my finger on it, but I've been around long enough to realize it."

"It's something you can't define, but you know it's there. You can smell it."

It seems like every player contributed over the weekend. That's the way Texas won the AL West last year, but it hadn't been happening for the last half of May and early part of June.

"It's good to see the entire club playing well right now," said closer John Wetteland, who won Friday night's game against San Francisco and saved both games against the Padres.

"Even the game we lost to San Francisco (on Thursday) was a good baseball game, we just came up a bit short. Prior to that, we hadn't been playing good baseball."

Better health may be one reason. Leadoff hitter Mark McLemore returned from the dis-

abled list Thursday and immediately reverted to his 1996 form, not the struggling start of this season. Set-up man Danny Patterson came off the DL on Friday and looked as good as he did before getting hurt.

Dean Palmer broke the longest homerless drought of his career Saturday night and Mike Simms ended his slump with a homer four pitches later. On Sunday, Lee Stevens also homered.

Damon Buford snapped an 0-for-20 skid Saturday, then tied his career-best with three hits Sunday. Will Clark's stretch of 13 games without an RBI ended Sunday.

Juan Gonzalez played the outfield Friday for the first time this season, and threw out a runner at the plate. Bill Ripken took the shortstop job from Benji Gil and

has become the steady bat at the bottom of the lineup the team has lacked.

The bullpen hasn't allowed a run in 13 1-3 innings over five games. Long reliever Matt Whiteside won Saturday for the first time since Sept. 13, 1995, then Bobby Witt ended his three-game losing streak Sunday.

But the real star of the weekend was Rusty Greer, who put on a clinic over the four games with remarkable hitting, superb defense and aggressive baserunning.

Greer went 9-for-12 against NL pitchers with two doubles, two homers and four walks. He reached base nine straight times before striking out in the first inning Sunday and has been on 17 of 20 times since Wednesday. Both homers came Friday

night, the second with the game tied in the ninth inning. He also kept the Giants from going ahead in the seventh by making a sliding stop of Bill Mueller's double, then getting the ball to Ripken in time to throw out J.T. Snow at the plate.

On Saturday night, he doubled twice and scored an eighth-inning insurance run by tagging up to third on a medium fly ball to center field, then coming home on a wild pitch.

On Sunday, Greer was 1-for-3, got hit by a pitch, stole a base and made a nice catch against the wall in left field.

"Rusty seems to always be in a pretty good groove," Oates said. "He's a special player who does a lot of things well. That's the reason we hit him third and he plays every inning for us."

Pampa's Allison posts win at Huber Course

BORGER — Shelbie Allison of Pampa won a playoff with Rebecca Motta of Amarillo to win the girls' 15-18 division during the Westcott Junior Tour Monday at Huber Course. Both were tied at 81 at the end of the regulation round.

Allison was a member of Pampa's District 1-4A championship team this year.

In the boys' 16-18 division, Josh Duckworth of Amarillo won a playoff with Derrick Dixon of Borger for first.

Travis Lovins, Canadian, fired a 67 to win the boys' 12-13 division.

Robert Evans of Amarillo was second with a 70.

In the boys' 14-15 division, Perryton's Stewart Dodson shot a 73 to win the championship.

The Pampa Country Club course will be the site of the Westcott Tour Tournament of Champions Wednesday though Thursday.

The tournament is limited to players who have won a Westcott Tour event this year. There will be 28 in the boys' division and 12 in the girls' division entered in the 36-hole for-

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mat. Age groups are 15-18 for the girls and 16-18 for the boys.

NEW YORK (AP) — Tiger Woods completed his meteoric rise in the World Rankings on Monday, passing Greg Norman to become the youngest player to hold the top spot in the 11-year history of the rankings.

Woods, 21, a record 12-stroke winner in the Masters who has four other PGA Tour victories since turning pro last summer, tied for 19th in the U.S. Open on Sunday to move ahead of Norman.

Woods, playing this week in the Buick Classic at Harrison, N.Y., has 9.91 points in the rankings, 0.13 points more than Norman.

Scotland's Colin Montgomerie is third with 9.61, followed by U.S. Open winner Ernie Els of South Africa at 9.31 and Zibabwe's Nick Price at 9.24.

Sanctioned by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, the World Rankings are computed on a three-year rolling basis weighted toward the current year.

Bulls celebrate again

CHICAGO (AP) — As promised, Dennis Rodman didn't curse. Phil Jackson spoke in less time than it takes the 24-second clock to expire. Michael Jordan dedicated the Bulls' fifth title in seven years to the city's "working people."

Team owner Jerry Reinsdorf didn't speak. He wasn't even introduced to the tens of thousands of fans who crammed into Grant Park for Monday's 38-minute, relatively low-key, ho-hum-it's-another-championship celebration.

There were no clues about what will happen in the coming weeks, when the futures of Jordan, Rodman and Jackson will be decided by Reinsdorf, who has talked about making major changes to an aging team.

Jordan, 34, has said he will retire if Jackson leaves. Rodman, 36, might not be re-signed. Jackson wants assurances the nucleus will be back. He also wants the going rate for top coaches, double this season's \$2.7 million.

Rather than fret about the future, the Bulls used Monday to celebrate a season capped by their six-game victory over the Utah Jazz in the NBA Finals. They also won titles in 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1996.

"This championship goes to all the working people here in the city of Chicago who go out every single day and bust their

butts to make a living," said Jordan, who made \$30.14 million this season.

"We come in two hours out of a day to give you a break and have something ... to be proud about when you go to another city. So hopefully, come 1998, you guys can go out and celebrate and go back to every city and say we won No. 6. And, hopefully, No. 7, No. 8, No. 9, No. 10."

As the nine-time league scoring champion finished, the crowd chanted "M-V-P! M-V-P!" — both in honor of his fifth NBA Finals MVP award and in protest of the regular-season honor that Utah's Karl Malone received in a close decision over Jordan.

Jordan, Jackson, Rodman, Scottie Pippen and Ron Harper then raised the five championship trophies as Queen's "We Are the Champions" blared over the loudspeakers. Moments later, the ceremony was over.

Jackson spoke for all of 22 seconds and thanked the fans and players for "another great year."

Rodman cursed during last year's ceremony but promised to "keep it clean" this time.

"A lot of people have criticized me for a lot of things I've done and a lot of things I've said. And the NBA has done a lot of things to try to keep me down," he said.

College golfer



Pampa senior Christina Gage signs a letter of intent to attend Southwestern University in Weatherford, Okla. on a golf scholarship. Pictured with Christina is her mother, Julie, and PHS golf coach Frank McCullough. Not pictured is Christina's father, Kenneth Gage. Christina helped lead the PHS girls' golf team to the District 1-4A championship this year.

King plays through pain, helps Kansas City past Houston, 5-2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Interleague play seems to agree with the Kansas City Royals.

A three-game winning streak is the best they've done so far this year against their familiar American League foes. But after beating the Pirates two straight in Pittsburgh on Saturday and Sunday, they made it three in a row over NL teams with a 5-2 victory over Houston on Monday night that featured an unlikely hero with a sore right knee.

Even the fans seemed to get in the spirit. Buoyed by a walk-up sale of more than 6,000, a crowd of 22,528 — about 4,000 over the season average — saw Jeff King drive in three runs with two off-the-wall doubles and Jose Rosado win his fourth straight decision.

"The crowd seemed more excited, and I really liked that," said Rosado, whose ERA for his last four games is 1.43. "That really helps the players a lot. I wish we could have more crowds like tonight."

Rosado allowed one earned run and six hits, while striking out four and walking none.

"That was a great game," Kansas City manager Bob Boone said. "He battled through what we call damage control. He was absolutely terrific. He pitches like a veteran and he's only 22 years old."

King, who has an 11-game hitting streak and nine RBIs in his last five starts, spent about two hours in the doctor's office Monday. His right knee was hurting so much Sunday, he left the game after one plate appearance.

"As the game went along, it became a lot more tolerable and I was able to put more weight on it," King said. "Hopefully, that will be a good sign and it will continue to get better. There's just a little bone spur down there."

The Astros are now 1-3 against the American League.

"I hate to keep saying night after night I have to give the other guy credit, but he pitched an awfully good game," Houston manager Larry Dierker said of Rosado. "They killed us with their speed."

Mike Hampton (2-6) fell to 0-6 on the road and failed to win for the seventh straight start. He went 6 1-3 innings, giving up eight hits and three runs.

"Right now, I just keep battling and trying to stay positive," Hampton said. "I'm trying to stay focused. I feel like I'm on the right page. I'm heading in the right direction. I just have to stay positive."

Luis Gonzalez homered in the fourth inning, stretching his hitting streak to 20 straight games, tying him with San Diego's

Tony Gwynn and St. Louis' John Mabry for the longest streak in the National League this season. It's the longest by an Astros player since Kevin Bass hit in 20 straight 11 years ago, and three short of Art Howe's club record set in 1981.

King's knee couldn't have hurt worse than Craig Paquette's pride. The Kansas City third baseman stranded nine runners when he failed to deliver with the bases loaded in the first, third and seventh innings.

"The guy knows what he did. There are no words that can ease that," Boone said. "You take a sleeping pill and hope you get some sleep."

Notes: King's third-inning single gave him his second 11-game hitting streak of the season. ... Jose Offerman's single in the first stretched his streak to 12 games, longest by the Royals this year. ... Offerman has 11 multihit games in 16 outings. Sean Berry, the first designated hitter in Houston history, was 1-for-4. He started his career with the Royals and got his first major league hit for Kansas City against Minnesota in 1990. ... The Royals, Toronto Blue Jays and Pittsburgh Pirates began the week as the only major league clubs with winning road records and losing marks at home.

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National League				
At A Glance				
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Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	43	25	.632	—
Florida	40	27	.597	2 1/2
Montreal	39	28	.582	3 1/2
New York	37	30	.552	5 1/2
Philadelphia	22	44	.333	20
Central Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	33	34	.493	—
Houston	33	36	.478	1
St. Louis	31	36	.463	2
Cincinnati	28	39	.415	5
Chicago	28	40	.412	5 1/2
West Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	38	29	.567	—
Colorado	36	32	.529	2 1/2
Los Angeles	32	35	.478	6
San Diego	29	38	.433	9

Tuesday's Games				
Philadelphia (Ruffcorn 0-0) at Boston (Sele 4-1), 7:05 p.m.	Cincinnati (Smiley 5-7) at Cleveland (Anderson 0-1), 7:05 p.m.	Florida (Helling 2-4) at Detroit (Lira 4-3), 7:05 p.m.	Cincinnati (Smiley 5-7) at Cleveland (Anderson 0-1), 7:05 p.m.	N.Y. Mets (Reynoso 5-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Wells 7-3), 7:35 p.m.
Montreal (Bullinger 4-5) at Baltimore (Kamieniecki 4-3), 7:35 p.m.	Atlanta (Maddux 7-3) at Toronto (Andujar 0-2), 7:35 p.m.	St. Louis (Valenzuela 2-8) at Milwaukee (Mercedes 3-2), 8:05 p.m.	Pittsburgh (Loaiza 5-3) at Minnesota (Hawkins 0-0), 8:05 p.m.	Houston (Garcia 2-4) at Kansas City (Haney 0-1), 8:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Gonzalez 2-1) at Chicago White Sox (Drabek 5-4), 8:05 p.m.	Texas (Burkett 5-5) at Colorado (Thomson 2-4), 9:05 p.m.	Anaheim (Finley 3-5) at Los Angeles (Park 5-3), 10:05 p.m.	Oakland (Quist 1-2) at San Diego (Hamilton 4-3), 10:05 p.m.	Seattle (Fassero 6-2) at San Francisco (Reuter 2-2), 10:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games				
N.Y. Mets (Reed 4-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Cone 7-3), 1:05 p.m.	Florida (A Leiter 5-4) at Detroit (Olivares 4-5), 1:05 p.m.	Pittsburgh (Cordova 5-4) at Minnesota (Radke 6-5), 1:15 p.m.	Montreal (C. Perez 7-4) at Baltimore (Key 11-5), 3:05 p.m.	Texas (Oliver 3-8) at Colorado (Wright 4-4), 3:05 p.m.
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Chicago Cubs (Mullolland 5-6) at Chicago White Sox (Alvarez 4-8), 8:05 p.m.	Houston (Wall 2-3) at Kansas City (Pittsley 1-4), 8:05 p.m.	Anaheim (Pariasho 0-2) at Los Angeles (Normo 6-8), 10:35 p.m.	Oakland (Teigheider 2-3) at San Diego (Murray 1-1), 10:35 p.m.	

American League				
At A Glance				
All Times EDT By The Associated Press East Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	45	20	.692	—
New York	37	30	.552	9
Toronto	31	33	.484	13 1/2
Detroit	29	36	.446	16
Boston	29	38	.433	17

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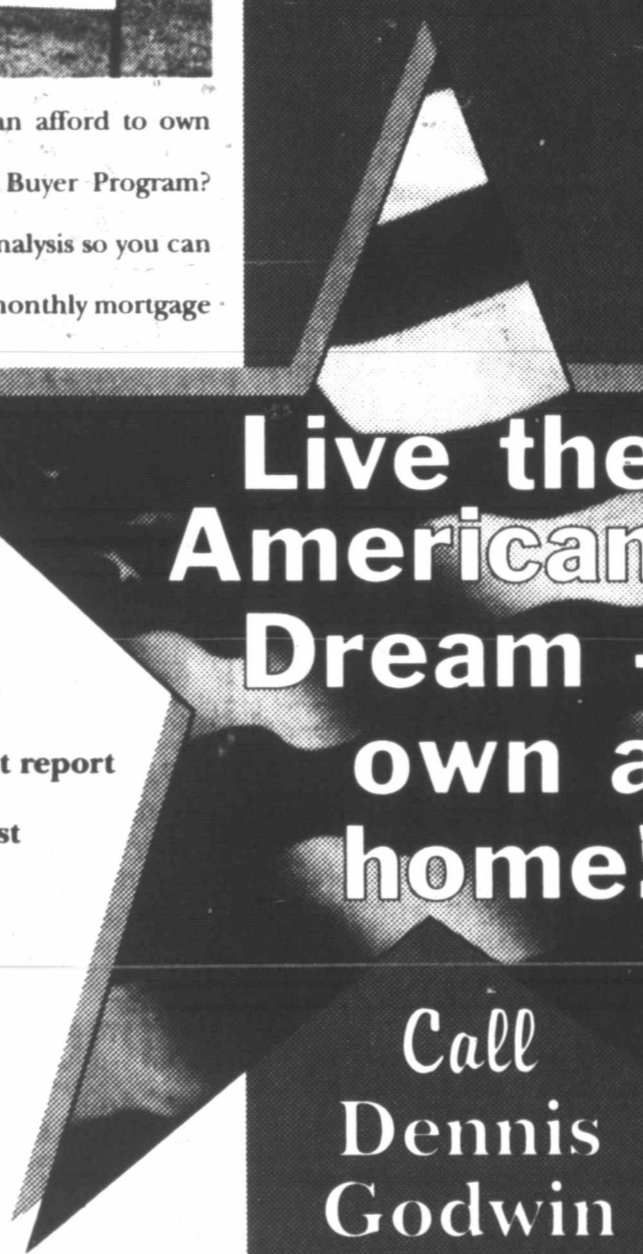
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Jays release Ruben Sierra

TORONTO (AP) — The Ruben Sierra experiment has ended for the Toronto Blue Jays. The Blue Jays released the much-traveled outfielder on Monday and recalled infielder Tomas Perez from Triple-A Syracuse. The 31-year-old Sierra hit just .208 with one homer and five RBIs in 14 games for Toronto. He signed a minor-league contract with Syracuse on May 11 and was called up by the Blue Jays on May 23. "Unfortunately, Ruben didn't get as many at-bats (48) as he would've liked," manager Cito Gaston said. "But I guess it was one of those situations where if you don't come out real hot and quick, then there's no sense in keeping him around." Sierra had cleared out his locker prior to Monday night's game against the Atlanta Braves and was unavailable for comment. He started the season with the Cincinnati Reds, where he hit .244 with two home runs and seven RBIs in 25 games before being released. He started last season with the New York Yankees before being shipped to Detroit in midseason. The Tigers traded him to Cincinnati in the offseason, picking up more than \$5 million of his \$6.7 million salary for 1997. Sierra started his career with the Texas Rangers in 1986. In 1991, his best year at Texas, Sierra batted .307, with 25 home runs and 116 RBIs. He was traded to Oakland in 1992. All the moving around, coupled with critical remarks from Sierra's previous stints in Texas and Oakland meant he came to Toronto with a reputation as a problem. But Gaston said Sierra was a model citizen. "He wasn't exactly burning it up, but as far as being a good citizen he was great," Gaston said. "I had no problems with him. He did everything I asked him to do. Hopefully someone else will pick him up. Maybe he'll get hot somewhere else and continue his career."

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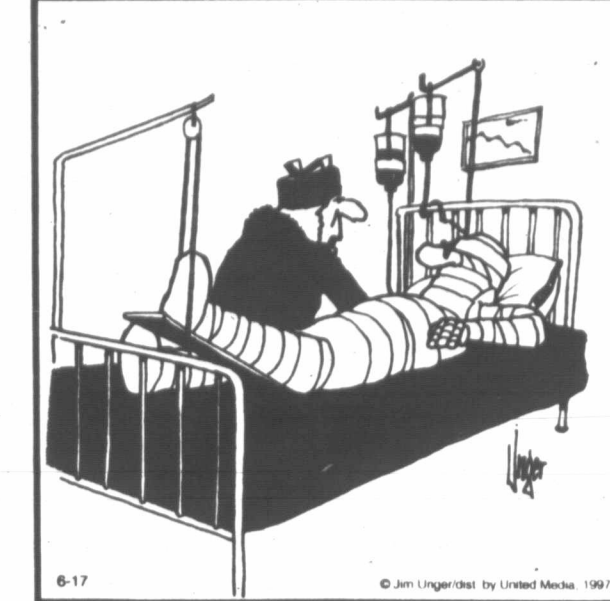
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IRA slayings deal body blows to peace talks, more violence feared

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — The Irish Republican Army killing of two Protestant policemen has crippled peace talks and raised the likelihood of increased bloodshed in Northern Ireland's most sectarian season.

Northern Ireland is already tense over likely street confrontations next month when the long-dominant Protestant fraternal group, the Orange Order, stages its annual marches.

A representative of the main pro-British paramilitary group, the outlawed Ulster Defense Association, suggested hit squads might resume a campaign of terror against Northern Ireland's Catholic minority, from which the IRA draws some support.

"I must be very honest, the future in that respect looks dark," said David Adams, who also represents a legal political party involved in negotiations on Northern Ireland's future that resumed June 3 under the direction of former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell.

On Monday, two IRA gunmen sneaked up behind officers John Graham, 34, and David Johnston, 30, in the town of Lurgan and shot both point-blank through the back of the head, provoking British, Irish and American condemnation.

The deaths marked the first time that members of the local pro-British, Protestant majority were victimized since the IRA ended its 1994 cease-fire last year and renewed its violent campaign against British rule of Northern Ireland. The previous four victims killed were British.

Northern Ireland's so-called "loyalist" paramilitary groups had killed more than 800 Catholics since 1966 but are still officially observing their own October 1994 cease-fire.

"We have always tried, with a large measure of success, to ensure that the loyalists maintain their cease-fire," Adams said, warning that Monday's killings "may well be what pushes loyalism over the brink."

Their truce has already been undermined by dissidents who call themselves the Loyalist

Volunteer Force — and who seem determined to strike Catholics in proportion to IRA violence. The dissidents, based mainly in the town of Portadown, were blamed for abducting and killing a 61-year-old Catholic last month.

Catholic demonstrators led by paroled IRA activists tried last year to block several Protestant parades that passed near or through Catholic turf.

A showdown in Portadown triggered widespread rioting and the killing of two Catholics, including a Lurgan taxi driver. The Orangemen are vowing to maintain their traditional

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—David Adams, political party rep

Portadown route again July 6 regardless of opposition.

David Trimble, leader of the main Protestant political party and a senior Orange Order member who marched the disputed Portadown route last year, accused the Republican Movement — the IRA and its allied Sinn Fein party — of seeking to stoke Protestant anger.

"I'm quite sure that the time and the location of these murders were no accident," the Ulster Unionist Party leader said in Lurgan as the two officers' bodies were being removed in hearses.

"They were deliberately designed by the Republican Movement to exacerbate feelings in the community, to provoke a reaction from loyalist paramilitaries, and to destabilize society."

Chief Constable Ronnie Flanagan, commander of the province's 12,000-strong and mostly Protestant police force, tried to comfort the wives and children of the slain men. Graham had three daughters aged two to ten, Johnston two boys aged three and seven.

"There's nothing that I can say that can console two young families absolutely ripped apart, and ripped apart so needlessly by people who carried out a calculated, cowardly murder," Flanagan said afterward.

Memory of scandal dimming

WASHINGTON (AP) — Water what? The scandal that began 25 years ago today has a lot of people scratching their heads trying to remember what Watergate was all about.

"Some Contra stuff," offered one guesser, mixing scandals and decades.

"Gosh," said another. "It's been so long."

Associated Press reporters around the country asked several hundred people to take a stab at explaining Watergate. Some recollections were sharp but others strayed far afield.

Here's what really happened: Early on June 17, 1972, burglars tied to Richard Nixon's re-election campaign broke into Democratic headquarters at the Watergate office building in Washington. They were trying to replace a faulty telephone bugging device installed during an earlier break-in. They got caught. Nixon tried to cover up the growing scandal. On Aug. 9, 1974, under threat of impeachment, he resigned.

Here's how some Americans explain it:

"Some people broke into a hotel and stole some documents, but for all I know they could have been Playboy magazine." Andre Williams, 20, Pittsburgh.

"It was about some tapes." Ann Smith, 40, Cleveland.

"Paper shredding is all I remember, basically." Michelle Meinhardt, 43, Baltimore.

"They broke into Democratic headquarters and Nixon was thrown out of office on account of that." David Barrow, 60, Glen Burnie, Md.

"It was the break-in of the Democratic headquarters by a semi-SWAT team hired by the Republicans to find whatever information they could. They didn't find anything, but they got caught." Dion Nolcox, 34, Cleveland.

"I remember G. Gordon Liddy, the break-in, the cover-up, the Saturday Night Massacre, the eventual hearing, the call for an impeachment vote and the resignation — Aug. 9, maybe." Kevin Winship, 36, Kantonah, N.Y.

Roswell braces for tourist invasion 50 years after 'alien crash'

ROSWELL, N.M. (AP) — "I'll tell you one thing. They didn't have big eyes or long, stringy fingers," 80-year-old Frank Kaufmann says of the aliens. "No ma'am. These were trim, good-looking people."

In 1947, Kaufmann and a handful of other men stationed at the Roswell Army Air Field stumbled onto what they say was wreckage of a spaceship northwest of town.

This year, the 50th anniversary of the story, Roswell is cashing in.

Roswell, which sits on the plains east of the Sierra Blanca mountain range in southeastern New Mexico, expects its 48,000 population to double as UFO believers, researchers and the curious flock to town for a July 1-6 golden anniversary of the alleged crash.

Although the Army air field is long gone, replaced with an industrial park and municipal

airport, what allegedly happened here lives on. Kaufmann, a retired government intelligence agent, said he watched soldiers put five dead aliens into body bags and haul a damaged spaceship onto a flatbed truck to the post.

Glenn Dennis, a mortician at a Roswell funeral home, said he got a call from the Army post to send out several small, medically sealed caskets.

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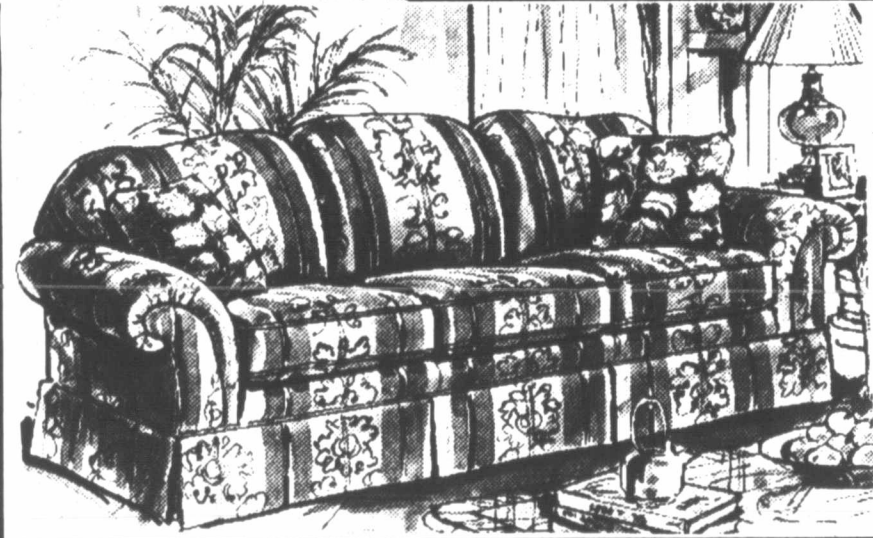
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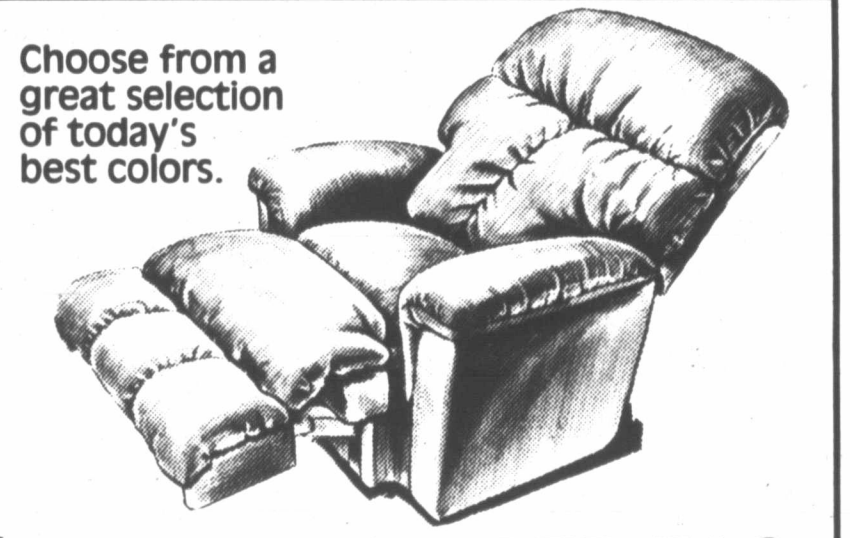
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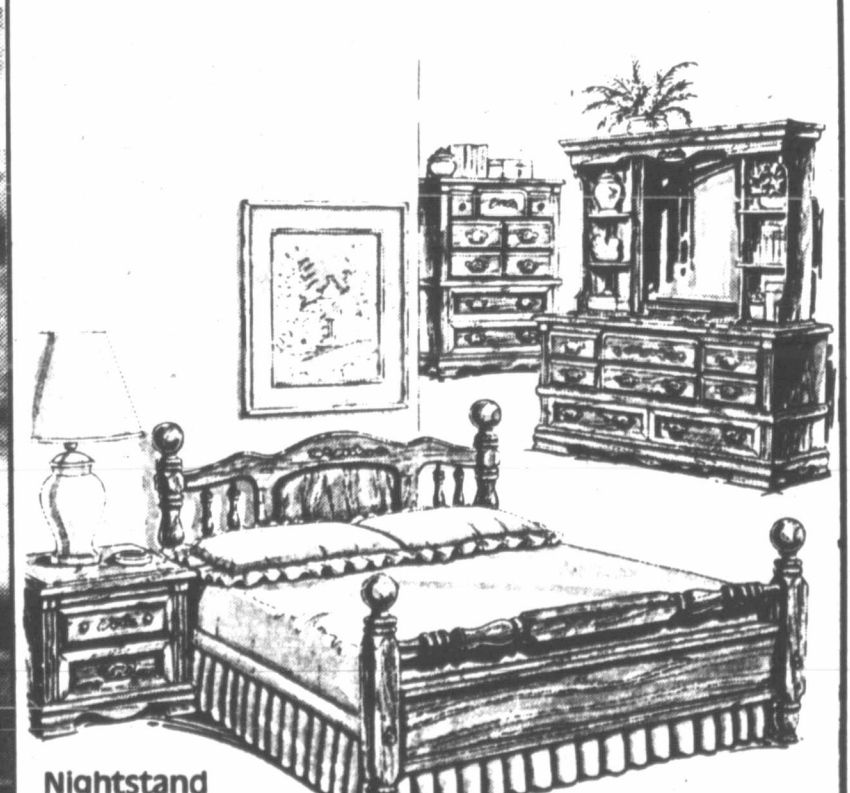
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