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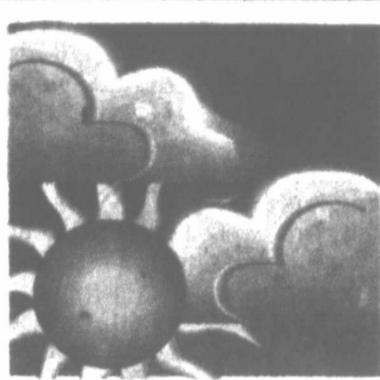
# PAMPA NEWS

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**CLARENCEON** — The Saints' Roost Jamboree will be Saturday, July 12, at the Clarendon College Bairfield Activity Center on Highway 287.

The Jamboree will be starting at 6:30 p.m. and will feature country, gospel and bluegrass music.

The talent show also starts at 6:30 p.m. with Doris Allen from Amarillo. She is new to the show and plays several instruments, sings and yodels.

This month's show will feature the Now and Again group from Amarillo and Wilderado and Weldon Allard of Amarillo, also our own Saints' Roost Band of Clarendon.

The concession stand opens at 6 p.m. and will have hot barbecue sandwiches, cold sandwiches, and its famous homemade pie along with other goodies.

**PANHANDLE** — The Carson County Square House Museum is hosting a Texas history exhibit July 2-24.

The photograph and text exhibit is organized by the Texas Humanities Resource Center in Austin and will also include a lecture by James L. Haley, author, Texas historian and curator of the museum.

The lecture will be held free of charge Sunday, July 13 at 2:30 p.m. in the Hazlewood Arts and Education Building auditorium.

For more information about the exhibit and lecture, call (806) 537-3524.

**MOBEETIE** — The 17th annual Mobeetie Bluegrass Festival will be held July 25-27 at the Old Mobeetie Jail Museum.

The festival begins at 6 p.m. Friday and lasts until noon on Sunday.

In addition to music, food concessions, arts and crafts booths and camping will be available for the public.

Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling (806) 622-2808.

**AUSTIN (AP)** — No tickets matched the numbers during Wednesday night's Texas Lotto drawing.

The winning numbers drawn were 06-12-14-31-33-34 for an estimated \$14 million. There were 136 tickets with five of the six numbers for \$1,485 each; and 6,685 tickets matched four of the six numbers for \$109 each.

The next drawing will be held Saturday for an estimated \$20 million.

- Clarence Dewey Frain, 83, truck driver
- Claude Frank Lard, 75, wildlife biologist

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## Arlo celebrates his 50th

By Dave Bowser  
Staff Writer

"I don't have a plan," Arlo Guthrie said as he sat on a stool in the middle of the stage at M.K. Brown Auditorium. "I used to have a plan."

As a folksinger, he said, he used to keep his plan taped to the top of his guitar.

"Then when I turned 40," Arlo said, "I realized I couldn't move the guitar far enough away to see it."

It gets worse.

Arlo Guthrie turned 50 years old today, July 10.

Arlo's ties to Pampa are distant, but they brought him here in January.

"The last couple of years we've been going by on I-40 looking at the sign, and I kept saying one of these days, we've got to get up to Pampa," Arlo said backstage on Jan. 18. "That's where my Dad spent a lot of time growing up. He met his first wife here. I wanted to come just to see it."

Arlo's father was Woody Guthrie, an icon of American folk music, who bought his first guitar and started writing music in Pampa.

"I went home after one of these tours," Arlo said, "and I finally called up my agent one



Arlo Guthrie tunes up on stage at M.K. Brown Auditorium prior to his concert last January. The son of former Pampa resident and American folksinging legend Woody Guthrie, Arlo turned 50 today.

day when we were thinking where shall we go now."

**Another connection Arlo has to Pampa is his uncle, Jeff Guthrie, a former Gray County Sheriff and a champion fiddle player. Jeff was a real musician," Arlo said. "He was a musician's musician. He was a player. My dad wasn't a player. My dad was looking for something to do. He was a writer. He wasn't a picker..."**

Arlo told his agent he wanted to go to Pampa on his next tour. He told his agent to call the Pampa Chamber of Commerce and see if there was a place to play.

"So he did, and here we are," Arlo said.

Arlo's agent was referred to Thelma Bray who heads the annual Woody Guthrie celebration in Pampa.

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## Columbia gets Top 10 rank in care and costs

### Comparison involved 340 hospitals

By LAURA HALEY  
Staff Writer

Columbia Medical Center of Pampa has ranked in the top ten medical centers owned by Columbia Health Care since January.

This is an incredible accomplishment, said Phillip Young, chief executive officer of Columbia Medical Center, considering the Columbia organization owns 340 hospitals around the world.

The ranking is based on both the quality of care and the cost of services received. In order to achieve this ranking, patients and former patients are polled about the quality and prices.

But, although Columbia Medical Center ranks near the top, Young is hoping the status of the hospital will continue to grow, especially within the community of Pampa.

"What I want to be able to say is Columbia Medical Center of Pampa provides the best value in health care," he said.

With health care reform as the top of the political

firing squad list, many citizens are very aware of health costs and quality. And, of course, in a small community such as Pampa, rumors are always afloat about poor quality and outrageous prices.

"There is just such misunderstanding, such misinformation out there," said Young.

In order to improve community relations, Columbia has made a few changes. In the past, said Young, the hospital did not have a good mechanism for quoting prices. This resulted in citizens receiving incorrect quotes.

With recent changes, all quote requests are directed to the Business Manager's Office. Young explained that having only one individual issue quotes reduces confusion. In addition, customers requesting quotes are given a range of costs rather than an exact dollar figure.

Costs of a procedure can vary depending on an individual's circumstances, said Young. And, of course, factors such as health, age, allergies to medications and any special conditions could also

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## Don't be sneaky snake – root, that is...

The latest fad in health food herbs—Snake root—may cost diggers of the elongated root a fine of \$200, says the U.S. Corps of Engineers public information office.

There is nothing illegal about the plant or the root or the leaves of the Purple cone flower. Problems arise when interested hobbyists or herbalists begin digging up the plant on federally managed lands.

Often the federally managed lands are composed of exactly

the types of soils, with the proper conditions for growing the tall purple, daisy-like perennial.

Root diggers, in their quest for the bitter root, either don't know or fail to pay heed to the law that makes it unlawful to disturb any flora or fauna on federal lands.

Purple cone flowers tolerate drought and poor soil, but do well in light loamy soils with high sunlight. The flowers bloom in a bright array when natural fertilizer is used.

In other words, the federally

managed pastures, range land and the land surrounding Army Corps of Engineers lakes is absolutely perfect as far as the purple cone flower is concerned.

The native wildflower, *Echinacea Angustifolia*, produces a 6-20 inch tap root which many herbalists claim to strengthen the immune system, and shows promise as a source of potent drug to fight the AIDS virus.

The combination of essential  
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## More efficient, quicker service aim of computer dispatch system

By LAURA HALEY  
Staff Writer

A new computerized dispatch and record-keeping system will provide quicker and more efficient services to citizens with police, fire and ambulance needs.

The system will replace the out-dated, hand-generated system that is currently used by the Pampa police and fire departments. Presently, dispatchers must record every incoming call on handwritten forms, assign the call a priority, keep track of fire, police and ambulance units and conduct periodic welfare checks of the units.

Although the city dispatchers only control the police and fire units, the capability to track ambulance calls could come in handy in the future. Rural/Metro, the current ambulance service in Pampa, has a contract with the city, which is set to expire in October 1998. Once that contract expires, the city could establish its own ambulance service.

The new system allows an incoming call to be recorded directly into a computerized system, automatically assigning a priority status to the call and giving the location of the nearest officers.

The system also contains maps of Pampa and surrounding areas, enabling dispatchers to give better directions and track police, fire and ambulance vehicles. In addition, the new computerized system

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## Stabbing victim gets 60 stitches

An early morning altercation on Wednesday at 213 N. Starkweather has sent two men to the hospital to be treated for stab wounds and resulted in the arrest of one man on a charge of attempted murder.

Officers answered the call placed by a family member at 1:03 a.m. and arrived to find one man who had minor wounds. The victim had left to seek treatment at the local hospital.

According to Pampa Police Department Detective David Lee, the altercation began when Michael Nelson refused to leave after being asked to do so by Buck Henry Mobley.

Henry apparently picked up a kitchen knife and proceeded to make stabbing gestures at Nelson, the officer said.

Nelson managed to get to Columbia Medical Center, where he was treated for a laceration on the left side of his face and a large laceration of the left thumb, the report said. He received more than 40 stitches to his face and more than 20 in his thumb wound.

Lee said Mobley was charged with attempted murder due to some comments he made along the lines of being glad he had stabbed Nelson and hoped he died from his wounds.

### Little cowboy



(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

Jaekob Jenkins, 3-year-old son of Mac and Leann Martinez, participated in the stick horse and goat ribbon competition during this week's Kid Pony Show.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

CUMPTON, Lorita Marsell Walls — Burial, 2 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.  
HOOKER, Sam Houston — Graveside memorial services, 11 a.m., Mobeetie Cemetery, Mobeetie.  
LARD, Claude Frank — 7 p.m., Rosewood Funeral Chapel, Victoria.

## Obituaries

CLARENCE DEWEY FAIN  
BORGER — Clarence Dewey Fain, 83, a former Pampa resident, died Tuesday, July 8, 1997. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. today in Westlawn Memorial Park with the Rev. Leonard Forsythe, pastor of Bible Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Garden of Serenity at Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors.

Mr. Fain was born at Bonham. He married Iva Davis in 1937 at Frederick, Okla. He had been a Borger resident for 41 years, moving from Pampa. He was a truck driver for Gibson's Machine and Tool Company. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Iva; two daughters, Jo Cummings of Bartonsville and Gayle Hedrick of Borger; three brothers, Cleo Fain of Portland, Ore.; Warner Fain of Torrington, Wyo.; and Billy Joe Fain of Coleman; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

CLAUDE FRANK LARD  
VICTORIA — Claude Frank Lard, 75, died Tuesday, July 8, 1997. Services will be at 7 p.m. Friday in Rosewood Funeral Chapel with Derrel Starling officiating. Additional services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Funeral Home at Bryan, Texas, with Starling officiating. Burial will be in Smetana Cemetery near Bryan. Arrangements are under the direction of Rosewood Funeral Chapels of Victoria.

Mr. Fain was born Aug. 7, 1921, at Miami, Texas, to Claude and Lola Lard. He married Joyce Machan June 18, 1947, at Bryan. He was a wildlife biologist for 50 years and was employed by the U.S. Government Department of Interior. He was a member of Glasgow Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by a sister, Annie Belle Love.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Joyce, of Victoria; a daughter, Pamula D. Lard of Victoria; a son, C.T. Lard of Caldwell; a brother, Kenneth E. Lard of Amarillo; and a grandson.

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## Calendar of events

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK  
A blood pressure check and blood sugar tests offered from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Friday in the Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell. A donation is accepted to cover expenses.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa:  
Wheat \$3.00  
Milo \$3.68  
Corn \$4.36  
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:  
Occidental 25.5/16 up 1/16  
Magellan 93.47  
Puritan 19.76  
The following 9 a.m. NY Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa:  
Amoco 89.1/2 dn 1/8  
Arco 66.08 dn 5/8  
Calico 21.1/4 dn 1/8  
Calico (A/C) 13.98 dn 1/16

## Emergency numbers

Ambulance 911  
Crime Stoppers 669 2222  
Energas 665 5777  
Fire 911  
Police (emergency) 669 5700  
SPS 669 7432  
Water 669 5830

## Police report

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

### WEDNESDAY, July 9

Criminal mischief, resulting in \$200 in damages to a vehicle window, was reported at 2505 N. Perryton Parkway.

Reckless damage to a vehicle was reported at 1524 N. Hobart.

Forgery was reported to the police station by an employee of First Bank Southwest.

A theft of a dune buggy, valued at \$1,250, was reported at 626 S. Cuyler.

A hit and run was reported in the 1100 block of Neel Road. A stop sign was damaged.

Attempted murder was reported at 213 N. Starkweather in which the victim was stabbed and had lacerations in his face and left thumb.

### Arrest

Buck Henry Mobley, 20, 213 N. Starkweather, was arrested on charges of attempted murder.

## Sheriff's Office

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

### WEDNESDAY, July 9

Jesus Lee Soliz, 30, 722 N. Banks, was arrested on charges of assault on a peace officer and evading arrest.

## Ambulance

Rural Metro reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Thursday.

### WEDNESDAY, July 9

8:34 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Baptist St. Anthony's West for a patient transfer to Columbia Medical Center.

3:07 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2200 block of N. Dwight on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

4:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of west 25th on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

4:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a trauma. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

4:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of west 25th on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

6:39 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the TDCJ Baten Unit on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

7:20 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Cuyler and Tyng on a motor vehicle accident. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

7:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block north Nelson on a trauma. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

7:50 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport a patient to a local nursing facility.

9:33 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena on a trauma. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

9:38 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of Ann on a trauma. One patient was transported to a landing zone west of White Deer to meet Medivac One.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department responded to the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Thursday.

### WEDNESDAY, July 9

4:31 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 812 W. 25th as First Responder to a medical assist.

7:26 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to the intersection of Cuyler and Tyng for a motor vehicle accident, oil clean-up.

7:47 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to 1028 S. Nelson on a good intent.

9:38 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 313 Anne as a First Responder to a medical assist.

### THURSDAY, July 10

5:08 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to Columbia Medical Center for a medical-evacuation standby.

6:13 a.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to 1321 W. Kentucky on a good intent.

## DISPATCH

will automatically remind dispatchers to conduct welfare checks.

This system will bring Pampa's dispatch services "into the 20th century," said Lynn Thornton, the city's administrative services coordinator.

City commissioners have been attempting to update the system for the past nine months, said City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers. And, with the help of a federal law enforcement block grant in the amount of \$45,000 and a Panhandle Regional Planning Commission grant for \$10,000, the city was able to purchase the system for \$49,577.40.

The system is expected to be up and running by late September or early October. Included in the price is software for two stations, hardware for two stations and training.

In conjunction with the system, city commissioners also approved the purchase of law enforcement and municipal court software in the amount of \$37,900. This purchase was funded through the remaining portion of the PRPC grant, \$5,000 in matching funds from the City of Pampa and funds available due to an open police officer position.

Both systems are compatible and will allow dis-

patchers, police officers and municipal court personnel to access the needed records without leaving a paper trail. This, said Thornton, decreases the liability to the city because all records are stored in the computer and there are less chances of loss of the records.

Police Chief Charlie Morris believes his officers will benefit from the purchase. "It is vastly superior to our current system," he said. "I think it will make more efficient use of personnel."

The law enforcement and municipal court software will automatically track names, accidents, stolen property, state reports, purchase orders, etc. In addition, the system is capable of generating city, county and state reports as needed and contains pre-formatted forms for citations, subpoenas and warrants, again cutting the costs of printing these forms.

State-of-the-art equipment, such as this purchase, will allow for future upgrades, said Morris. With this dispatch and software system, police officers could purchase compatible in-car computers in the future. This, he said, would allow officers more patrol time, as reports could be written directly after an incident from an officer's vehicle rather than waiting until the officer returned to the police department.

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## ARLO

"I got to talking to my sister and I said I'm going to do something in Pampa," Arlo said. "She said, 'Well, you're going to meet Thelma.' Then I talked to my aunt and she said, 'You're going to meet Thelma.' Everybody seemed to know each other except me."

Now Arlo knows Thelma.

Woody Gutherie came to Pampa as a 17-year-old kid in 1929. He met his first wife, Mary Jennings, in Pampa. He didn't have the money to pay for a wedding so he gave a Catholic priest a painting he had done in return for marrying them. In the six or seven years that Woody lived in Pampa, he began his song writing career.

Arlo is the product of Woody's second marriage.

"I am the oldest surviving kid of all three marriages," Arlo said.

Arlo bristles at the notion he and his father weren't close.

"My dad was in the hospital for 15 years," Arlo said, "and I went and saw him every week for those 15 years. There are a lot of people who have made that out that we don't know each other. There's a lot of truckers that don't see their kids that often."

Arlo went back to one of the hospitals where his father was treated for Huntington's chorea, the debilitating disease that eventually killed him in 1967.

"I had some memories of that place, and I wanted to go back and see if they were true," Arlo said. "Sure enough there was a tree that we used to play in, me and my brother and my sister while my dad and mom would talk underneath. We'd just climb around until one of us fell out of it and then they'd pay attention to us for a while. Then they'd go back to talking while we'd go back to climbing. I went back and the tree's still there. It was a nice thing to go back and have a piece of that again."

Another connection Arlo has to Pampa is his uncle, Jeff Guthrie, a former Gray County Sheriff and a champion fiddle player for the State of Texas.

"Jeff was a real musician," Arlo said. "He was a musician's musician. He was a player. My dad wasn't a player. My dad was looking for something to do. He was a writer. He wasn't a picker. He could

play a guitar, too."

Arlo said his father saw his kids growing up.

"I didn't have the same kind of relationship that I had with my own son," Arlo said. "That would have been nice, but you've got to play the cards that are dealt you."

That makes Arlo's relationship with his own son that much more special.

"Especially since he's a musician and a good one," Arlo said. "He would have been here, but he and his wife are having another kid."

Arlo is best known for his 1960s song and movie Alice's Restaurant. He still lives in Massachusetts, not far from Alice's restaurant.

"Alice is doing fine," Arlo said. "We did a book together where she illustrated it, and I wrote the words."

It's a kid's book called Mooses Come Walking.

"It's doing very well," Arlo said. "So we still work together on things."

As time for his evening performance draws near, Arlo admits that he's not sure what songs he'll sing.

"I'm a play it by ear type of person," Arlo said.

Arlo hasn't changed much since he was arrested for littering in Stockbridge, Mass., three decades ago. He's still laid back, still the incredulous commentator of society, just a little older, just a little grayer.

"After being on the road for 30 years, it's nice to be here," Arlo said, looking out into the darkened auditorium. "At this age, it's nice to be any where."

Amarillo.

In addition to offering competitive prices, the quality of care and facilities available outweigh that of many other small-community hospitals, said Young.

Because of the size of the Columbia system, the Pampa medical center can afford to purchase state-of-the-art equipment at a lower cost than most independent hospitals. In fact, according to a study conducted by The Advisory Board Company in 1996, it was noted that the Columbia system reinvests 41 percent more into its hospital system than other tax-exempt hospitals.

The Center for Healthcare Industry Performance Studies in 1995 found that Columbia's average price per patient across the nation were lower than non-federal government, tax-exempt, church-operated, other and public hospitals.

In the panhandle area, an independent study by Health Info Technologies found Columbia's prices were typically lower than those at the High Plains Baptist Hospital and Northwest Texas Hospital in

## SNAKE

oils, fatty acids, and other natural components strengthen the immune system against pathogenic infection by stimulating phagocytosis, T-cell formation and by inhibiting the

enzyme which breaks down cell wall. All of which are major components of the ongoing AIDS studies.

Native Americans have long used the plant for a variety of medicinal cures.

The root, when chewed or used in

chance of thunderstorms. Highs from the upper 80s mountains to around 104 along the river.

**NORTH TEXAS** — Tonight, variable cloudiness with widely scattered thunderstorms. Low 71 to 76. Friday and Saturday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms north and southwest. High 92 to 97.

Low 72 to 77. Extended forecast, Saturday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms west and central. High in the 90s.

Wednesday's high was 92; the overnight low was 69.

**REGIONAL FORECAST**

**WEST TEXAS** — Panhandle

— Tonight, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low about 65. South wind 10-20 mph. Friday, mostly sunny. High 95. South to southwest wind 15-20 mph. Wednesday's high was 92; the overnight low was 69.

**REDFIELD FORECAST**

**SOUTH TEXAS** — Hill Country — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid and upper 70s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s, upper 70s to near 102 elsewhere. Lows upper 30s to lower 50s mountains with 50s to near 70 elsewhere. Extended forecast,

**OKLAHOMA** — This afternoon, partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the lower to mid 90s.

**NEW MEXICO** — Tonight, partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms, most numerous central and east. Lows upper 30s to lower 50s mountains with 50s to near 70 elsewhere. Friday, partly cloudy with scattered afternoon and nighttime thunderstorms east and isolated thunderstorms elsewhere except mostly sunny and dry southwest. Highs mid 70s to 80s mountains with upper 80s to near 102 elsewhere. Lows upper 30s to lower 50s mountains with 50s to near 70 elsewhere. Extended forecast,

**TEXAS** — Hill Country — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid and upper 70s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s, upper 70s to near 101 west.</p

## Toastmasters Install new officers



(Special photo)

The new "Smooth Talker and Knee Knockers" Pampa Toastmasters officers are (photo at left: backrow, from left), Treasurer Robert Ellison, V.P. of Membership Gary Casebier, President Daniel Silva, Sgt. of Arms Alfonse Walker, Secretary Mary Fleming, V.P. of Public Relations Sherry Raines and Area Four Governor Helen Woolley. The new Borger "Magic Plains Toastmasters" Club 6343 officers include (from left), Secretary Joe Janeway, V.P. of Public Relations Laura Frye, V.P. of Membership Mary Kay Ooley-Immell and President Cindy Gillman.

## State briefs

### Judge bans unruly defendant from courtroom

HOUSTON (AP) — A man on trial on a charge of raping his girlfriend's daughter has been banned from the courtroom because of disruptive behavior.

District Judge Mary Bacon banned Julio Cortez from the courtroom Wednesday as testimony got under way because he refused to stop talking.

Last month, during jury selection, the judge ordered Cortez gagged and shackled to his chair because he was creating a ruckus. She ultimately dismissed that panel of jurors because she feared his actions would bias the jury.

A second panel was also dismissed because attorneys couldn't find enough jurors willing to consider the whole range of punishment for the man charged with aggravated sexual assault of a child.

The jury was finally selected Tuesday and testimony began Wednesday.

### Efforts to desegregate public housing hampered

DALLAS (AP) — Infighting, bad management and ineffective oversight from Washington have hampered efforts by federal authorities to desegregate public housing in East Texas, an inspector general's audit suggests.

The audit said that the federal offices set up three years ago amid much hoopla "have not effectively carried out their mission."

"Strife and confusion plague the Beaumont fair housing and public housing offices," the audit said.

The offices were set up to enforce a sweeping court order to integrate public housing in 36 East Texas counties from the Red River to Sabine Pass.

Auditors noted that there were eleven all-white housing authorities in the region when the Beaumont office was established in early 1994. As of last summer,

eight of those remained all-white, they said.

### Beer billboard comes down after complaints

ARLINGTON (AP) — Public criticism that a beer billboard depicted what appeared to be teenagers enjoying Bud Light has prompted an advertising company to remove the ad.

That action Wednesday followed complaints by some Hispanics and school district leaders, who are fighting alcohol abuse by teens. They say the billboard targeted young people.

The sign, featuring two young men who appear to be pressing their faces against a window while holding beer bottles, states, "Yo Quiero Una," or "I want one."

Some parents have taken their complaints to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, which is investigating.

"There's no way those kids are old enough to drink," said Richard Lanzer, who has a 16-year-old child and lodged a complaint with the TABC. "It's totally irresponsible. It lures kids."

### Fred Goldman to try out for talk show host spot

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Fred Goldman, who gained notoriety through his dogged pursuit of O.J. Simpson after the stabbing death of his son, will take to the airwaves here for a weeklong tryout as a talk radio host.

Goldman will be on the air in San Antonio July 21-25 as part of "The Great WOAI Talk-off," an ongoing, on-air contest to determine who will permanently fill the station's 1 p.m.-3 p.m. slot.

"We'll see if Fred likes the stage and if the stage likes him," WOAI-AM operations manager Andrew Ashwood told the San Antonio Express-News Wednesday.

Ashwood added that he was so

impressed by his recent meeting in L.A. with Goldman that Ashwood seems intent on finding a place for him either on WOAI locally "or perhaps we'll syndicate him from Los Angeles."

Ashwood could not be reached by The Associated Press on Wednesday night. Goldman was vacationing and unavailable for comment, said his mother-in-law, Elayne Rice.

### Property owners must fill abandoned lease space

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans who leave their rented apartments, homes or commercial space before their leases are completed could face lower costs for doing so under a ruling by the Texas Supreme Court.

In a unanimous opinion Wednesday, the nine-member court said landlords must make reasonable efforts to fill space

abandoned during a lease term.

That could lead to the space being rented to another tenant, limiting the amount of rent the departing tenants are required to pay.

"Requiring (an effort to limit rent due) ... discourages economic waste and encourages productive use of the property," Justice Rose Spector wrote. "A landlord should not be allowed to collect rent from an abandoning tenant when the landlord can, by reasonable efforts, let the premises ..."

George Allen, executive vice president of the Texas Apartment Association, said nearly all landlords already comply with the court's decision.

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## Senate rejects base closings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Choosing home-state jobs over Pentagon savings, Congress killed any chance of another round of base closings before the end of the century.

A 66-33 vote in the Senate late Wednesday delivered the death blow to President Clinton's proposal for two more base closing rounds in 1999 and 2001. Both the House and Senate versions of the 1998 defense budget now have no provision for more base closings, assuring that no bill that reaches the president's desk will allow for more of the politically painful shutdowns.

Supporters of more base closings had the president, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the defense secretary on their side. Opponents had the lineup that matters on Capitol Hill: the Senate majority and minority leaders and the chairman of the Senate Appropriations and Armed Services committees.

In nearly a day of debate, lawmakers talked about military modernization, the importance of not throwing away important facilities, and the costs of cleaning up closed bases. But the debate boiled down to protecting home-state jobs.

"The only statement that can be made with confidence is that our communities will suffer dislocation and disruption well into the next century," said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

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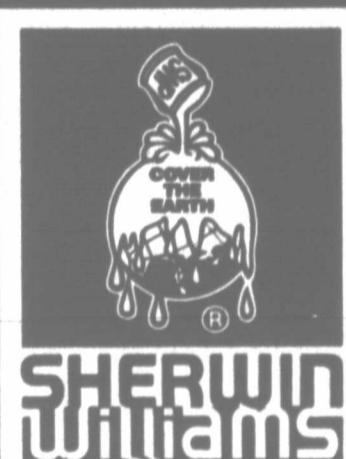
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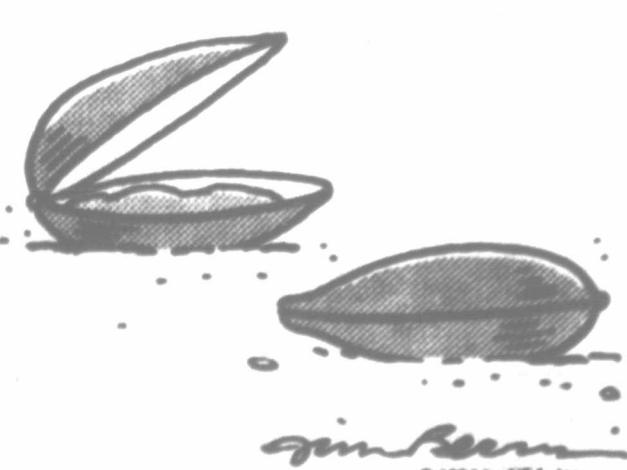
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# VIEWPOINTS

## Charles Kuralt will be missed

Every reporter gets into this business for a different reason.

One of the reasons I got into it was because of a pudgy little guy from North Carolina.

Charles Kuralt was born in Wilmington, N.C., in 1934. After college he went to work for CBS News. Although he started covering hard news, he soon found a home among what is known as soft news. Unfortunately, soft news is all too often thought of as puff pieces, small unimportant stories, stories that have no significance other than to fill space.

But Kuralt's stories were different. They weren't fluff. They had substance. They weren't world-shaking international crisis, although Kuralt certainly covered those, too. They were the quiet moments that reflected us all.

Perhaps, journalism is at its best when it holds up a mirror for society, and Charles Kuralt did that well. And who he chose of us to reflect in that mirror is both inspiring and troubling.

At a time (was there ever not a time?) when front pages and the evening news were filled with war, violence, terror, death and destruction, Kuralt brought us stories that reassured, that inspired.

His stories were of the joy and beauty of every day, of every day heroes, the man who fixed bicycles for neighborhood youth, the 80-year-old female aerobatic pilot, the woman who planted wild flowers along the highway, of noble people.

One of the most common complaints against the news media is that all they cover is violence. Cynics claim the subject matter is determined by economics. Violence sells papers and attracts viewers and listeners. Purists claim news is by def-



Dave Bowser

Pampa News staff writer

inition anything out of the ordinary and as long as violence is out of the ordinary, then society is well.

But news, like so much else in this world, is balance. Charles Kuralt brought us that balance. He left the coverage of violence for the most part to others. He brought us beauty and joy in counterpoint to death and destruction.

If the purpose of art is to inspire, Charles Kuralt was an artist. He raised the vast wasteland of radio and television to an art form.

I never met Charles Kuralt. I first remember being introduced to him through the series "On the Road," first on radio, then on television.

I did awake one morning to find Kuralt taking me to task, or more accurately a columnist for a magazine I had to task, over Rhode Island. Kuralt and his "On the Road" crew had come through Amarillo and picked up our magazine to find a tongue-in-cheek column that questioned whether there really was a such a state as Rhode Island. Kuralt assured us that there was and they were as proud of their state as Texans were of the Lone Star state.

Later, Kuralt brightened our Sunday mornings. What more fitting time to bring us inspirational stories than Sunday morning.

I was inspired by the stories he did. I wanted to do those kinds of stories. But along the way I ended up on the police beat, and I was seduced not by the beauty of the arts, but by the chasing fire trucks and covering shoot outs.

Hard news is the first take on history. Kuralt put that history in perspective.

Of course, such approaches to reporting still exist. Charles Osgood still has brief five minute daily radio commentaries on the often ignored stories of humanity. Osgood hosts Sunday Morning, now.

But something has been lost. Osgood apparently has a contract with CBS that allows him to make sales pitches as well as bring us the reassuring stories of everyday.

I've always felt that was rather tawdry and crass. I have nothing against advertising, but I've always felt it should be separate from the reporter's story. I've always felt it was rather like going to church and having the preacher tell you the only way to salvation was by buying your footwear from Acme Shoe Store down on Main Street.

We lost something when Charles Kuralt died the Fourth of July. We lost something when Kuralt retired earlier this decade.

I still watch Sunday Morning. I listen to Osgood on radio most mornings. But when Charles Osgood comes on, I always catch myself wondering, what's he selling today?

### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, July 10, the 191st day of 1997. There are 174 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 10, 1940, during World War II, the 114-day Battle of Britain began as Nazi forces began attacking southern England by air. By late October, Britain managed to repel the Luftwaffe, which suffered heavy losses.

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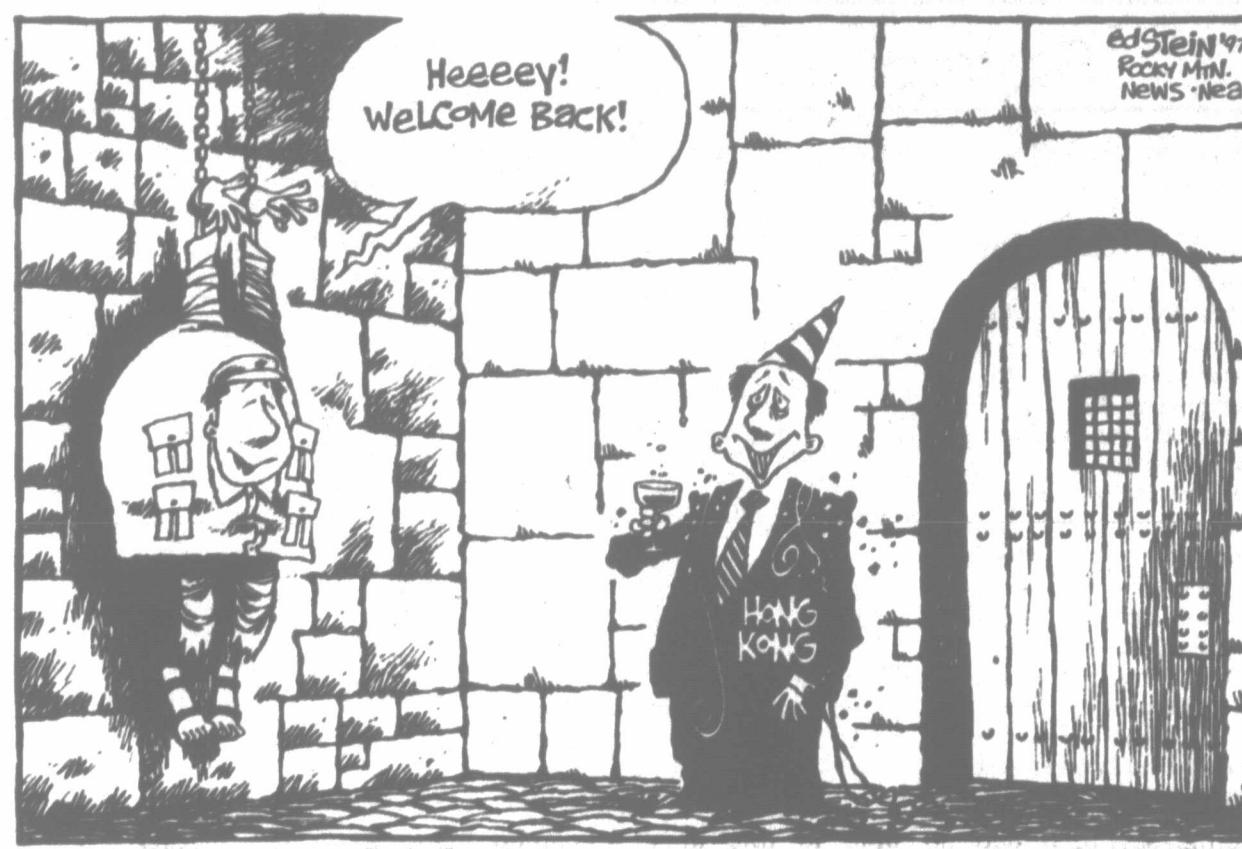
In 1832, President Andrew Jackson vetoed legislation to recharter the Second Bank of the United States.

In 1850, Vice President Millard Fillmore assumed the presidency, following the death of President Taylor.

In 1890, Wyoming became the 44th state.

In 1919, President Wilson personally delivered the Treaty of Versailles to the Senate and urged its ratification.

In 1925, the official news agency of the Soviet Union, TASS, was established.



## Problems underlying real reform

Charley Reese

There are several amusing aspects to the more or less continuing furor about "reforming" public education.

One such amusing aspect is that some of the loudest mouths have no real knowledge of the subject they are being so loud about, namely education. Another is how many people suppose that there is some sort of technological or system solution.

The first step in thinking about public education is to recognize that in the United States there is no uniform public education system. There are around 15,000 local school districts, about 2.5 million teachers and about 40 million-plus students. Not only do the results vary from district to district, they vary from school to school, from classroom to classroom, from student to student.

It is a subject about which a generalization will almost always be wrong.

To a large extent, public education has become a political football. Demagogues, depending on the political constituency they are appealing to, love to propose to rescue, condemn, dismantle or reform public education. Corporate types, who are sending jobs to Third World countries where illiterate workers can be exploited, try to save their consciences by claiming American education produces poor workers.

Some upper middle-class types like to blast public education in the hope of getting vouchers

to subsidize the private schools they are sending their children to anyway. Computer and other technology peddlers are screaming that you cannot educate a child without a computer, CNN and the Internet, which is a load of horse manure.

The federal government has for years been providing billions of dollars in research grants to enable the intellectually challenged in colleges of education to dream up new bad ideas, many of which are eventually forced on the classroom teachers.

"Research" has become the con of choice and wastes more public dollars than any 100 old-style politicians who used to hire their dead-beat relatives.

A good rule of thumb is, if a public dollar is not going to build a classroom, pay a classroom teacher or buy a text or library book, then don't spend it. Education has been researched and administered to death.

Humans, of course, are born little savages, and traditionally parents civilize them from birth to about six. Many parents today don't have time for the burdensome task of civilizing their children;

consequently, some young ones show up at the school-house door uncivilized and, in some cases, hungry and virtually mute. Naturally, the parents play the great American game of "It's Not My Fault" and blame public education. No one has paid a heavier price for the '60s generation's self-indulgent, me-first attitude than their children.

Many parents, too, have forgotten the old adage that "teachers teach, but students learn." Teaching is hard work, but so is learning. Many parents and their children seem to be under the impression that there is some magical way to learn without the expenditure of time and energy. There's not.

A lot of learning is just plain memorizing. If certain essential data is not committed to memory during the elementary school years, further education is unlikely to be successful. Study takes time, discipline and concentration.

A good book on this point for high school or college-bound students is *Study is Hard Work*, by William H. Armstrong (David R. Godine, 1995). It's a no-nonsense discussion.

At best, a school can only provide an environment, a teacher and an orderly arrangement of the subjects to be studied. If the parents do not civilize their children and instill in them a desire to learn, all the money and computers in Christendom will not educate their offspring. And unfortunately, that's not the least bit amusing.

## The people win on assisted suicide



Stephen Chapman

time, a choice central to personal dignity and autonomy." It quoted one of the court's nuttier lines on abortion rights: "At the heart of liberty is the right to define one's own concept of existence, of meaning, of the universe, and of the mystery of human life."

Recently, the Supreme Court said: Oh, no, we're not. In a rare show of consensus, a unanimous court said the Constitution establishes no such right. Not a single one of the nine justices, liberal or conservative, agreed with the lower court rulings. Like the Iraqi army in the Gulf War, the supporters of assisted suicide were not just defeated - they were routed. The "right-to-die" momentum is suddenly gone, and it may never be revived.

The advocates had hoped that the court would pre-empt the entire public debate over the issue, as it did with abortion in 1973, by enshrining assisted suicide as a constitutional right, subject to only minimal restriction. The 9th Circuit Court of Appeals said abortion and assisted suicide were so similar that they deserved the same constitutional status.

"Like the decision whether or not to have an abortion," said the appellate court, "the decision how and when to die is one of the most intimate and personal choices a person may make in a life-

million people. It is also blocking consensus and fostering popular contempt of the judiciary - and even the Constitution itself.

"By extending constitutional protection to an asserted right or liberty interest, we, to a great extent, place the matter outside the arena of public debate and legislative action," said the justices, and this they were unwilling to do. "Throughout the nation, Americans are engaged in an earnest and profound debate about the morality, legality and practicality of physician-assisted suicide. Our holding permits this debate to continue, as it should, in a democratic society."

The supporters of assisted suicide wanted the court to impose their preferences on the entire country. That would have spared them the tedium of dispelling the doubts Americans harbor about letting doctors use their knowledge to kill as well as heal - doubts made clear by the fact that 49 states ban the practice.

It would also have relieved them of the need to explain how we can safeguard against deadly abuse. In the Netherlands, where assisted suicide is tolerated, the right of a terminally ill patient to a doctor's help in hastening death has grown rapidly in practice. It now includes the right of doctors and families to euthanize comatose patients without their consent, the right of the parents of a fatally handicapped newborn to have the baby killed and the right of physically healthy but distraught people to a doctor's help in committing suicide.

But the "right-to-die" proponents, unlike abortion-rights groups a generation ago, didn't get their way. Instead, policy decisions on assisted suicide will be left to elected lawmakers in 50 different states acting on the desires of their constituents. It will be an interesting experiment. Call it democracy.

# Beef award up for grabs

As part of an effort to recapture market share, the beef industry has launched "The Cattlemen's Centennial Award for Best New Beef Product in America." The award highlights the changing nature of today's beef products and recognizes those products that deliver a great-tasting beef experience to consumers.

"In recent years, consumers have really shown they want to have new products that add variety and value to their meals, both at home and at restaurants," said Jan Lyons, Manhattan, Ks., beef producer, immediate past chair of the Cattlemen's Beef Board, which is providing the funding for the initiative. "Producer leaders considered a number of ways to encourage the development and marketing of exciting, new beef products and they decided producers' checkoff dollars were well spent by supporting the Cattlemen's Centennial Award."

The award is available to the creator or marketer of a retail or foodservice beef product or product line that meets a number of criteria, including taste, addressing the consumers' needs, is branded, offers enhanced value, is innovative in character or packaging, has addressed food safety and is new after Jan. 1, 1995.

A selection committee, including retail and foodservice industry leaders, will evaluate all entries based on the award criteria. Based on the committee's decision, the winner of the "Cattlemen's Centennial Award for Best New Beef Product in America" will be announced at the beef industry's Centennial Convention in Denver, Co., Feb. 4-8, 1998. In addition to recognition at the Centennial Celebration, the winner will receive \$250,000 to help promote and develop new beef products.

Entry forms and rules can also be obtained by faxing a request to (312) 670-9414, or by writing to Melissa Denny, Cattlemen's Centennial Award, National Cattlemen's Beef Association, 444 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611. Completed entries should be sent to the same address. All entries must be received by close of business, Aug. 31, 1997.

## Altrusa scholarship



(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

Jeanne Mitchell, president of Altrusa International, presents a certificate to Jennifer Chaney, who was recently awarded the 1996-97 Geraldine Rampy vocational scholarship. Every year Altrusa International presents the \$500 scholarship to a young woman that has excelled in the area of vocational education.

## Family wins suit against Lubbock hospital

LUBBOCK (AP) — The family of a 20-year-old pregnant woman who died from a heart attack after drug-addicted doctor incorrectly injected her anesthetic will get \$10.5 million from the hospital.

South Park Hospital agreed to work to institute drug testing of its doctors in the settlement approved Tuesday by a state judge.

The hospital admitted no wrongdoing, saying it had no idea the doctor was abusing drugs.

Margo Glickman Johnson was being operated on in July 1995

when Dr. Jack Dunn III, an anesthesiologist, missed the epidural space in the 20-year-old woman's lower back and struck a major vein leading to her heart.

Mrs. Johnson died quickly of a heart attack and her baby was not delivered.

In a letter to his girlfriend, Dunn had admitted he was addicted to drugs, some available to him at the hospital. Lawyers for the family were not privy to the letter until a sympathetic nurse secretly supplied it to them just four months ago.

It's a done deal," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., one of several lawmakers who pressured broadcast and cable networks to strengthen the ratings voluntarily or face the possibility of having Congress do it for them.

ABC, CBS and Fox are part of the agreement, along with the major cable networks. NBC is not.

"There is no place for government involvement in what people watch on television," NBC said in a statement Wednesday night.

Beth Comstock, an NBC spokeswoman, said the network would continue using the existing six-tier, age-based ratings system and would add additional, unspecified

information about a show's content on a case-by-case basis.

But McCain and other lawmakers said they expected NBC to adopt the same ratings by fall.

The American Psychiatric Association, one of the groups involved in the ratings negotiations, and some small, unidentified cable companies also shunned

**Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., said the agreement was reached Wednesday night between the industry and parents' groups, children's advocates and others and would be signed today.**

the agreement, McCain and Tauzin said.

Meanwhile, the Screen Actors Guild, the Directors Guild of America and the Writers Guild of America have threatened to file a lawsuit against the revamped ratings, citing free speech concerns.

Also, they have argued that the current system has not been given enough time to work.

One or all of the new "V," "S," "L" and "D" notations would be added to the present "TV-PG" for parental guidance suggested; "TV-

14" for programs unsuitable for children under 14; and "TV-MA" for mature audiences only.

Since they took effect Jan. 1, the TV ratings have been attacked by parents' groups and some lawmakers for not giving parents enough information to make decisions about children's viewing choices.

"This is a wonderful development for parents," said Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., who wrote the law calling on — but not requiring — the TV industry to rate shows.

Broadcasters balked at adding the new letter codes to the current "TV-Y7" rating for programs suitable for children seven and older. Instead, the industry will add a special designation for cartoons or fantasy programs aimed at older children, such as "FV" for fantasy violence.

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Clarendon College recently hosted the 17th annual FFA leadership conference in Clarendon. Pampa FFA students (from left to right) Melissa Price, Courtney Lowrance and Erin Marie Cobb were in attendance.

## Annual leadership conference held at Clarendon College

CLARENDON — Future farmers of America chapters from across the Texas Panhandle met at Clarendon College for the 1997 Area I FFA Leadership Conference.

According to Jerry Hawkins, CC agriculture chairperson, 216 FFA members attended the 17th annual leadership conference, June 23-25 in Clarendon.

Throughout the conference, Area I, district and state FFA officers led educational programs focusing on improving student leadership skills. Chapter members also participated in a variety of fun-filled workshops, dances and a banquet. Skills learned by FFA members and advisers will be applied to local, district, area and state FFA levels throughout the 1997-98 school year, according to Hawkins.

The Agriculture Science instructors also use our conference to plan their activities for the year," Hawkins said. "Plus, the conference provides the chapters an opportunity to fine-tune and prepare for the upcoming

State FFA convention." The 1997 State FFA convention will be held the second week of July in Amarillo.

Fifty-one FFA chapters were represented at the 1997 Area I Leadership Conference. Chapters included Abernathy, Amarillo Tascosa, Amherst, Boys Ranch, Canadian, Childress, Claude, Cotton Center, Dalhart, Dimmitt, Dumas, Floydada, Friendship, Friona, Gruver, Guthrie, Hale Center, Hart, Hereford, Idalou, Kress, Lazbuddie, Lubbock Cooper, Lubbock Coronado, McLean, Memphis, Morton, Motley County, Muleshoe, Nazareth, Olton, Pampa, Panhandle, Patton Springs, Petersburg, Plainview, Roosevelt, Ropes, Shallowater, Shamrock, Slaton, Spade, Springlake Earth, Spur, Sunray, Valley and White Deer.

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# Trial lawyers may champion fight against tobacco deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was lawyers, wielding lawsuits from sick smokers and states stuck with their medical bills, who finally pushed the major tobacco companies to the bargaining table to craft a historic settlement.

Yet trial lawyers — who traditionally oppose anything that curtails lawsuits — may prove the tobacco deal's most powerful opponents in what promises to be a big-money battle on Capitol Hill.

The Association of Trial Lawyers of America, an aggressive, well-financed lobby with close ties to President Clinton and other Democrats, is poised to fight the proposed \$368 billion tobacco settlement unless major changes are made before the deal goes to Congress for its approval.

In an unusual twist, the 55,000-member lawyers' group would be pitted against some of its own most prominent members — the group of trial lawyers who negotiated the settlement and stand to make billions from it.

"We've never really been divided on any

political issue before," said Russ Herman, a former ATLA president and one of the attorneys who helped seal the tobacco deal. "But if ATLA lobbies against this bill, it will still be extremely effective and powerful."

Opposing the settlement also would pit ATLA against another powerful lobby — the tobacco companies. The cigarette-makers plan a no-holds-barred effort to promote the settlement that offers them relief from lawsuits and mounting legal bills.

In addition to their regular lobbyists, the tobacco companies have hired some heavyweight help — former Republican Party Chairman Haley Barbour along with a mostly Democratic law firm that includes former Republican presidential nominee Bob Dole.

Already this year, Philip Morris, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and the industry's Tobacco Institute have given more than \$425,000 to the Republican National Committee.

Philip Morris alone contributed \$3 million to the political parties in 1995-96, making it

the nation's largest giver of the type of unlimited corporate donations that many reformers hope to ban. In all, the tobacco industry gave about \$9.5 million in political donations.

There will be other players, too. Public-health advocates, tobacco farmers, advertising agencies, consumer groups, labor unions, insurance companies — all are sizing up the deal or suggesting changes, preparing to take sides in the congressional battle this fall.

"This issue is radioactive. Everybody is going to have their Geiger counter out," said Rich Hailey, incoming president of the trial lawyers' association. "It almost gets hard to determine of who won't be involved in this debate."

The proposed settlement calls for the tobacco companies to pay \$368 billion over the next 25 years toward anti-smoking campaigns, efforts to reduce teenage smoking, programs to help smokers quit and compensation for the states' Medicaid spending on smoking-related illnesses.

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## U.S.O. Volunteers Continue To Serve Peacetime Military

**DEAR ABBY:** With all the support you provide to our servicemen and women through Operation Dear Abby, perhaps you'd like to tell your readers that the USO is still alive and well. The United Services Organization, which is non-profit and receives no funding from the government, was founded in 1941 during World War II.

My 17-year-old twin daughters and I volunteer at the USO Puget Sound Area Military Center at the Seattle International Airport. People say, "Oh, is USO still around? We thought that was a World War II thing." Well, it is still around, because we still have men and women in uniform (most of the armed services today are volunteers), who have chosen to protect our country and "stand on the wall of freedom." My daughters and I feel honored to serve them, to show them the American people appreciate them and what they are doing for our country.

Even in peacetime, servicemen and women risk their lives daily. Last February, three Coast Guardsmen lost their lives off the coast of Washington while rescuing a sailboat in trouble. It really brought home the fact that servicemen and women today, whether in a peace-keeping situation like Bosnia or routine jobs at military installations around the world, are "in the line of fire" constantly.

USO stays open thanks to the efforts of volunteers who give of

**Abigail Van Buren**

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST



way to support our soldiers is to support the USO.

**DEAR ABBY:** I just broke off all ties to a woman who has been my best friend, lover and partner in life. As in any relationship, we've had our share of problems. Unfortunately, the most recent was too difficult for me to overcome.

"Rene" felt that she needed to satisfy her curiosity. She met someone new and now spends all her time with him.

What Rene doesn't know is that her new friend is trying to satisfy his curiosity with three or four other women as well as satisfying Rene. I have concrete evidence that proves his guilt. Should I give her the information I have prior to her being hurt, or should I wait until she's been burned, let her learn a lesson and then present her with the evidence?

**C.M. IN PHOENIX**: DEAR C.M.: If your ex-girlfriend has an emotional investment in this new man, it's unlikely that she'll believe you if you try to intervene. Stay out of the line of fire. (Let's hope she's had the good sense to use protection.)

What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

their time and money, and organizations who donate items and money to provide refreshments, a quiet place away from the airport terminals and — many times — information to help them to get to their next duty station. Whether the person who walks through that center door is a 17-year veteran of the services or a new recruit fresh out of boot camp, these people need our respect and appreciation.

As a proud volunteer at the USO, I ask your help in informing your readers that USO exists and needs their support.

WENDY FLORES, SEATTLE

DEAR WENDY: I'm pleased to pass along the word that such a worthwhile organization is alive and well. I vividly remember the USO from World War II. Its volunteers and contributors deserve praise for continuing to provide a comfortable and supportive atmosphere for our servicemen and women who are far from home. An excellent

sure to state your zodiac sign.

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## Horoscope



Friday, July 11, 1997

The year ahead should be an active one both socially and business-wise for you. Your ability to adjust to new people and environments might amaze your friends. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22) Wishful thinkers who bet on blind expectations usually wind up losers; but today, a flyer might fulfill expectations if you think things through sensibly first. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be

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"It's a good thing peaches don't have as many seeds as watermelons."



"He wanted a summer cottage."

## The Family Circus



### Grizzwells



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## For Better or For Worse



# SPORTS

## Notebook

### BASKETBALL

**PHOENIX (AP)** — The Phoenix Mercury got their third consecutive victory and, according to coach Cheryl Miller, "a wake-up call" on Wednesday night.

Jennifer Gillom scored 20 points and Phoenix survived a late Houston comeback to beat the Comets 69-64 in a WNBA game.

Phoenix led 39-20 at half-time and was up by 21 points in the second half before the Comets went on a 28-15 run over a 10-minute span.

"If this game was in Houston, we come out with a loss," Miller said. "Lack of focus, lack of execution... This is what separates the good teams from the great teams."

Cynthia Cooper, who paced Houston with 16 points, missed a free throw with eight seconds remaining and a jump ball cost the Comets a chance to tie the game.

Bridget Pettis finished with 12 points despite shooting just 3-of-14 from the field for Phoenix before a crowd of 11,892 at America West Arena.

### GENERAL

**EL PASO, Texas (AP)** — Texas-El Paso's appeal of NCAA sanctions requests a reduction of its probation from five years to three and the restoration of nine scholarships, but otherwise seeks only minor changes, the El Paso Times reported Wednesday.

Asking for more wouldn't have been practical because UTEP already has admitted guilt to many of the violations that led to the punishment, said university athletic director John Thompson.

"We think what we're asking for is within the realm of possibility," Thompson said. "We don't feel we're going to get a complete exoneration."

A response from the NCAA is expected by July 21.

The NCAA announced May 1 that it was putting UTEP on probation for five years and taking away 18 scholarships because of a lack of institutional control and what were characterized as minor but rampant transgressions of NCAA regulations in football, men's and women's basketball and other programs.

### BOXING

**LAS VEGAS (AP)** — Mike Tyson's harshest critics got what they wanted from Nevada boxing regulators. It may also turn out to be what Tyson wanted, too.

Tyson expected severe sanctions for biting Evander Holyfield's ears, and he got them on Wednesday when the Nevada State Athletic Commission revoked his boxing license and fined him \$3 million.

What appears to be a lifetime ban might actually turn into the quickest route for Tyson to return to the ring — possibly as early as next year.

"I feel very, very confident you'll see Mike Tyson fighting again within a year," Tyson's attorney Oscar Goodman said.

### RODEO

**CODY, Wyo.** — Chad Hagan of Leesville, La., captured the all-around cowboy title at the \$253,437 Buffalo Bill Cody Stampede, July 1-4 in Cody, Wyo.

The 23-year-old 1997 College National Finals Rodeo qualifier earned \$8,856 competing in steer wrestling and calf roping.

Hagan won the steer wrestling event by downing his steer in 3.3 seconds for a check worth \$8,856. He failed to place in the calf roping event.

Paul Carroll of Bristow, Okla., won the calf roping event with a time of 9.5 seconds. Carroll earned \$6,939.

## Kid Pony Show wraps up at Top 'O Texas Arena

**PAMPA** — All-around cowboy and cowgirl awards were presented during Wednesday's final Kid Pony Show at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena.

In Group 5, Curtis Pritchett of Pampa was the all-around cowboy and Kailey Richardson, also of Pampa, was the all-around cowgirl. In Group 6, all-around cowgirl honors went to Melody Seeley of Lefors while Cade Taylor of Sayre, Okla. was the all-around cowboy.

All contestants were awarded ribbons.

Wednesday's results are as follows:

**Pole bending (Girls Group 5)** — 1. Kailyn Rogers, Pampa; 2. Hope Clark, Canyon.

**Pole bending (Boys Group 5)** — 1. Curtis Pritchett, Pampa; 2. Haydon Hawley, White Deer.

**Pole bending (Girls Group 6)** — 1. Andrea Whaley, Miami; 2. Melody Seeley, Lefors; 3. Jonna Jones, Pampa.

**Bull riding (Group 5)** — 1. Levi Trevathan, Pampa; 2. Cole Ott, Shamrock; 3. Travis Lay, Stinnett.

**Breakaway roping (Boys Group 6)** — 1. Montana Farnum, Pampa; 2. Cade Taylor, Sayre,

Oklahoma.

**Breakaway roping (Girls Group 6)** — 1. Jacey Richardson, Groom; 2. Melody Seeley, Lefors.

**Barrel race (Girls Group 5)** — 1. Kailyn Rogers, Elk City, Okla.; 3. Amanda Lay, Stinnett.

**Barrel race (Boys Group 5)** — 1. Curtis Pritchett, Pampa; 2. Haydon Hawley, White Deer.

**Barrel race (Girls Group 6)** — 1. Kori Merrick, Sayre, Okla.; 2. Jonna Jones, Pampa; 3. Melody Seeley, Lefors.

**Tie down roping (Boys Group 6)** — 1. Cade Taylor, Sayre, Okla.

**Goat undecorating (Girls Group 5)** — 1. Kailyn Rogers, Elk City, Okla.

**Goat tying (Girls Group 6)** — 1. Jacey Richardson, Groom; 2. Melody Seeley, Lefors; 3. Lindsey Tidwell, Pampa.

**Bull riding (Group 6)** — 1. J.W. Wilcox, Miami; 2. Cody Gardner, Pampa.

**All-around girl (Group 5)** — Kailyn Rogers, Pampa.

**All-around boy (Group 5)** — Curtis Pritchett, Pampa.

**All-around boy (Group 6)** — Cade Taylor, Sayre, Okla.

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## Rangers are in the hole at mid-season

**ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)** — A year ago, the Texas Rangers were riding high coming out of the All-Star break.

They started the season atop the AL West and hardly left that lofty perch, owning a four-game lead by the time the mid-season break rolled around.

Not so this season.

The Rangers are coming off a 10-17 June swoon that was the worst by an AL team. It also left them five games behind prime rival Seattle, the division leader.

"We played as poorly as we could play in June, but still we've won over 40 games," said manager Johnny Oates. "June was not a good month. But I expect July to be a lot better."

Included in the June dive was a four-game series sweep by the Mariners at The Ballpark in Arlington. Coupled with a 1-1 split in an earlier series at the Kingdome, it gave Texas a 1-5 record against Seattle this season.

The teams meet again for four games in the Kingdome beginning tonight.

This will be a critical series for the Rangers. Team officials admit that another collapse against Seattle would force them to consider sweeping changes, including beginning to plan for next year.

The Rangers have been poor with runners in scoring position and bad on defense, especially shortstop Benji Gil.

This season they have given up

50 unearned runs, already matching the number they yielded in 162 games last year, when they had the best defense in the majors.

Oates is a manager known for defense.

"We stunk," Oates said.

He replaced the inconsistent Gil with Domingo Cedeno, who has wielded a hot bat.

"I've been pleased with Cedeno," Oates said. "He's made all the plays that have been required. And he's provided some timely hitting."

One of the highlights of the Rangers' early season was catcher Ivan Rodriguez making his sixth All-Star team. However, he was the only Ranger to be so honored.

The Rangers starting pitchers have kept Texas in games and the bullpen led by John Wettedell's 17 saves has been good enough. Both the starting pitching and the bullpen have better ERAs than last year.

"We've got guys on this team — both hitters and pitchers — who have put up big numbers in the past," said Texas left-hander Darren Oliver. "I think that in September they are going to have those numbers again. We've all got to pick it up in the second half of the season."

Last year, Texas scored 926 runs. This year the team is on a pace to score 100 fewer runs.

"We're going to have to win a lot of close games," Oates said. "We're not hitting good enough to have very many laughs."



(Pampa News photo)  
Pampa third sacker Justin Waggoner puts the tag on a Borger baserunner during a steal attempt in the District 13 Tournament Wednesday at Optimist Park.



(Special photo)

Pampa's 15-year-old all-stars are (front row, l-r) Ryan Sells, Brent Coffee, Russell Robben, Jesse Francis, Kyle McCullough, Gil Solano and Jeremy Hall; (back row, l-r) coaches Sam Coffee and Gerrel Owens; Cody Shepard, Justin Barnes, Jeremy Buck, Greg Lindsey, Casey Owens, Kaleb Snelgroves and coach Kevin Hall.

## Pampa All-Stars capture District 15 tourney opener

**AMARILLO** — Pampa opened the District 15-year-old All-Star Tournament with a 15-4 over Borger on Tuesday night at Randall.

Teams participating besides Pampa and Borger are North Randall, Dumas and Dalhart. The late-game winner Monday night between North Randall and Dalhart will play Dumas (which got a first-round bye in the tournament) to determine Pampa's opponent in an 8 p.m. game Thursday night. The District Tournament winner advances to the State Tournament in Andrews.

Jesse Francis, Casey Owens and Russell Robben led Pampa's 15-hit attack, each going 2 for 4 at the plate. Francis had a double and single while knocking in three runs. He also scored once. Owens had a double, single and two runs scored. Robben had a double and single with two RBI and two runs scored.

Kaleb Snelgroves scored all four times in came to the plate for Pampa. He was 1 for 1 with a double while walking twice and getting hit by a pitch once.

Cody Shepard was 1 for 3 and knocked in 3 runs with a single. Jeremy Hall was 1 for 1 with a single, one RBI, 3 walks and 2 runs scored. Gil Solano was 1 for 2 with a single, one walk and two runs scored while Justin Barnes walked twice and scored twice.

Jesse Francis was the winning pitcher, giving up four runs on three hits while striking out four and walking four. One of Borger's three hits was a three-run homer by Able in the second inning to go with one run in the first. After that, Pampa's pitching and defense shut Borger down.

In the fourth inning Pampa's defense turned a double play, which started with a groundball to second baseman Russell Robben. He tossed to shortstop Casey Owens covering second for the first out. Owens threw to first baseman Cody Shepard for the second out. Greg Lindsey played outstanding defense at third. He made two plays to first and took a throw on a force-out at third.

## Nightbass fishing popular in Texas

**EMORY** — The sounds of an outboard motor churning across Lake Fork under the star-filled sky had an unusual ring to it, a sort of loud quietness that only fishermen such as Joe Axton and Mike Lindsey can appreciate.

Night bass fishing is a growing passion among numerous Texas anglers, who are discovering that the sounds of the night and the cooler temperatures are more than just a relaxing way to beat the heat.

Larger bass prowl the shallows at night virtually undisturbed on lakes that are normally crowded during the day, and the chances of an angler hooking a trophy bass are high, especially on a trophy

bass factory such as Lake Fork, Axton said.

Axton's largest bass caught at night weighed more than 13 pounds. He and Lindsey have caught numerous others weighing from 8 to 12 pounds.

As Lindsey slowed his boat amid a patch of standing timber one night last week, Axton picked up a rod to make a long cast into an opening. Axton has made a cast into that spot so many times under the darkness of night that he can't remember how many.

From the heavily timbered banks nearby, a chorus of frogs sang two-syllable notes that seemed to increase in volume the

more closely one listened. A short distance away, a blue heron squawked noisily as it left its perch on a stump in the mossy shallows, frightened away by another boat that had motored too close for comfort.

"It is just a lot more pleasant out here at night," Axton said. "If you fished very long during the day under the hot sun, you would be scorched. But not at night. I have never heard of anyone getting moon-burned."

The pair usually begin fishing about an hour before dark and then continue to fish as long as the fish are biting, or as long as they can physically take it.

## Optimist 13-year-olds claim victory over visiting Borger

By MATT HUTCHISON  
Sports Writer

**PAMPA** — Pampa's Optimist Club played host to the first round of the annual District 13-year-old Tournament Wednesday night with a contest between North Randall and Dumas leading things off.

North Randall County dominated the early game, winning by the final score of 16-5 in a game cut short after five innings due to the 10-run rule.

Pampa's 13-year-old all-star battled Borger in the second game of the night and prevailed, winning 15-1 after five innings.

Pampa's offense showed up early as six runs were scored in the bottom of the first off Borger pitcher David Escobar. Randy Tice led off the inning with a single, followed by a two-bagger by catcher Michael Galloway. With Galloway at third base, Matt Driscoll drew a base on balls and immediately stole second to put

both runners in scoring position. The next batter, A. J. Smith, drove in Galloway with a single up the middle. Later in the inning, Pampa starting pitcher Kyle Francis went to the plate looking to drive in runners Smith and Driscoll and did, pounding out an RBI single.

Keenan Davis rounded out the inning's offense by driving in Francis off a shot to deep right field that turned into an RBI triple for Davis.

On the defensive side, Pampa was able to hold Borger to only one run in five innings. Francis pitched the first three innings for Pampa, allowing no runs and only two hits. Francis was replaced in favor of Adam Jones in the fourth, who gave up one run, one hit, walked four and struck out two in two full innings of work.

Borger's lone run of the game was scored in the fourth inning during a bases-loaded situation. Pampa pitcher Jones threw one

in the dirt, allowing one run to squeeze in and put Borger's all-stars on the board.

Pampa continued to pour on the offense, scoring four runs in the bottom of the second and five in the bottom of the fourth to insure the victory.

Offensive highlights included a two-run RBI single by Michael Cochran in the second, a triple by Randy Tice in the fourth that scored both runners, another triple, this one hit by Driscoll that scored a run in the fifth inning and four runs that were scored on overthrows and wild pitches, scored by Driscoll, Tice, Smith and Nathan Hill, respectively.

With the victory, Pampa's 13-year-olds will move on to face North Randall tonight, but only after Borger faces Dumas in the first game of the doubleheader. The tournament is double-elimination and the winner will go on to compete in the West Texas State Tournament in Canyon.

## Scoreboard

**BASEBALL**National League  
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East Division

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W L Pet. GB

Atlanta 57 30 .567 —

Florida 50 36 .561 6 1/2

New York 48 38 .558 8 1/2

Montreal 47 39 .547 9 1/2

Philadelphia 24 61 .282 32

Central Division

W L Pet. GB

Pittsburgh 43 43 .500 —

Houston 43 45 .477 1

St. Louis 41 45 .477 2

Cincinnati 38 48 .442 4

Chicago 37 50 .425 6 1/2

West Division

W L Pet. GB

San Francisco 51 36 .568 —

Los Angeles 45 42 .517 6

Colorado 43 45 .480 8 1/2

San Diego 38 49 .437 13

Tuesday's Game

American 3, National 1

Wednesday's Game

No games scheduled

Thursday's Game

St. Louis (AlBanes 7) at Chicago Cubs

(Foster 10-5), 2:20 p.m.

Philadelphia (Beach 0-4) at Florida (Saunders

2-1), 7:35 p.m.

Houston (Kle 10-3) at Pittsburgh (Schmidt 4-

4), 7:35 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Mickel 4-7) at Atlanta (Smoltz 8-7),

7:40 p.m.

San Diego (Ashby 4-6) at Colorado (Ritz 6-8),

8:05 p.m.

San Francisco (Ruster 5-3) at Los Angeles

(Park 5-6), 10:05 p.m.

One game scheduled

Friday's Game

St. Louis (Valenzuela 2-11) at Chicago Cubs

(Gonzalez 5-2), 3:20 p.m.

Philadelphia (M. Lester 4-8) at Florida (Brown 8-

5), 7:05 p.m.

Houston (Hampton 4-7) at Pittsburgh (Loizeau

6-5), 7:35 p.m.

Montreal (Juden 11-2) at Cincinnati (Tomko 5-

1), 7:35 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Reynoso 6-2) at Atlanta (Glavine 6-

4), 7:40 p.m.

San Diego (Hitchcock 5-5) at Colorado

(Thomeon 2-6), 9:05 p.m.

San Francisco (Foulke 1-2) at Los Angeles

(Nomo 8-7), 10:05 p.m.

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Toronto 40 43 .482 14

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Central Division

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Cleveland 44 36 .550 —

Chicago 43 42 .506 3 1/2

Milwaukee 39 44 .470 6 1/2

Kansas City 36 46 .439 9

Minnesota 37 48 .435 9 1/2

West Division

W L Pet. GB

Seattle 49 38 .563 —

Anaheim 44 42 .512 4 1/2

Tampa 45 42 .506 5

Oakland 52 42 .416 13

Wednesday's Game

American 3, National 1

Wednesday's Game

No games scheduled

Thursday's Game

Athens (Watson 7-6) at Oakland (Rigby 0-2),

3:15 p.m.

Toronto (Guzman 3-6) at Boston (Gordon 5-7),

7:05 p.m.

Detroit (Oliver 5-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Iraju 0-

0), 8:35 p.m.

Cleveland (Nagy 9-4) at Minnesota (Radio 10-

5), 8:35 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Alvarez 7-6) at Kansas

City (Apile 8-6), 8:35 p.m.

Texas (Burkett 6-7) at Seattle (Fassero 8-5),

10:05 p.m.

Anaheim (Finley 5-6) at Oakland (Karsay 2-8),

10:35 p.m.

TODAY'S MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

BATTING—LWalker, Colorado, .398; Gwynn,

San Diego, .394; Piazza, Los Angeles, .357;

Blauer, Atlanta, .346; Lofton, Atlanta, .344;

Joyner, San Diego, .337; Landford, St. Louis,

.333.

RUNS—LWalker, Colorado, .79; Biggio, .66;

Bonds, San Francisco, .80; EcYoung,

Colorado, .58; Bagwell, Houston, .58; Olerud,

New York, .58; Blauer, Atlanta, .58.

RBI—LWalker, Colorado, .84; Bagwell,

Houston, .78; Gwynn, San Diego, .71;

ChJones, Atlanta, .69; LWalker, Colorado, .68;

Ahu, Florida, .65; Kent, San Francisco, .64;

Castilla, Colorado, .64; Bichette, Colorado,

.64.

HITS—Gwynn, San Diego, .130; LWalker,

Colorado, .123; Piazza, Los Angeles, .107;

Biggio, Houston, .106; Galarraga, Colorado,

.106; Grudzielanek, Montreal, .100; Bagwell,

Houston, .100; DSanders, Cincinnati, .100.

DOUBLES—Grudzielanek, Montreal, .32;

Lansing, Montreal, .28; Morandini,

Philadelphia, .26; Bagwell, Houston, .27;

Bonilla, Florida, .26; LWalker, Colorado, .25;

Snow, San Francisco, .24; Brogna,

.24.

TRIPLES—Jeter, New York, .6; Garciparra,

Boston, .5; Burnit, Milwaukee, .5; Knoblauch,

Minnesota, .5; Offerman, Kansas City, .5;

Vizquel, Cleveland, .5; 7 are tied with 4.

HOME RUNS—McGwire, Oakland, .31;

Griffey Jr., Seattle, .30; Martinez, New York,

.28; Thome, Cleveland, .24; ToClark, Detroit,

.22; Buhner, Seattle, .22; MVAughn, Boston,

.20; JuGonzalez, Texas, .20; MaWilliams,

Cleveland, .20.

STOLEN BASES—BLHunter, Detroit, .44;

Nixon, Toronto, .37; Knoblauch, Minnesota,

.32; Goodwin, Kansas City, .32; Vizquel,

Cleveland, .22; Durham, Chicago, .19; Easley,

Detroit, .18.

Wednesday's Game

American 3, National 1

Wednesday's Game

No games scheduled

Thursday's Game

St. Louis (AlBanes 7) at Chicago Cubs

(Foster 10-5), 2:20 p.m.

Philadelphia (Beach 0-4) at Florida (Saunders

2-1), 7:35 p.m.

Houston (Kle 10-3) at Pittsburgh (Schmidt 4-

4), 7:35 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Mickel 4-7) at Atlanta (Smoltz 8-7),

7:40 p.m.

San Diego (Ashby 4-6) at Colorado (Ritz 6-8),

8:05 p.m.

San Francisco (Ruster 5-3) at Los Angeles

(Park 5-6), 10:05 p.m.

One game scheduled

Friday's Game

St. Louis (Valenzuela 2-11) at Chicago Cubs

(Gonzalez 5-2), 3:20 p.m.

Philadelphia (M. Lester 4-8) at Florida (Brown 8-

5), 7:05 p.m.

Houston (Hampton 4-7) at Pittsburgh (Loizeau

6-5), 7:35 p.m.

Montreal (Juden 11-2) at Cincinnati (Tomko 5-

1), 7:35 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Reynoso 6-2) at Atlanta (Glavine 6-

4), 7:40 p.m.

San Diego (Hitchcock 5-5) at Colorado

(Thomeon 2-6), 9:05 p.m.

San Francisco (Foulke 1-2) at Los Angeles

(Nomo 8-7), 10:05 p.m.

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New York 48 37 .565 7

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Toronto 40 43 .482 14

Boston 38 46 .442 17 1/2

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**YARD Sale Friday-all day, Saturday pm:** 405 Magnolia.

**GARAGE Sale Friday and Saturday 8-5:** 902 S. Barnes.

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**GARAGE Sale:** 609 Red Deer. Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**GARAGE Sale:** Friday 8-1. 109 E. 27th Ave. Quilt tops, dolls, VCR, drafting table, trolling motor and much more!

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**YARD Sale:** Miscellaneous items, chest, glassware Friday. 605 N. Wells.

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## World briefs

### Tens of thousands march to London to defend hunting

LONDON (AP) — It's being billed as the biggest rural uprising since the English Civil War in the 17th century.

Up to 90,000 people from villages and hamlets across Britain were expected to converge on London's Hyde Park today to defend their right to hunt with hounds.

Blood sport enthusiasts fear a Labor lawmaker's bill that would outlaw hunting with hounds will spell the end of all forms of hunting, shooting and fishing, changing the face of rural Britain.

Prime Minister Tony Blair, whose Labor party swept to power with a 179-seat majority in national elections May 1, said Wednesday he is backing the bill.

"I have voted before in favor of a ban on fox hunting and I shall continue to do so," Blair said in reply to a lawmaker's question in the House of Commons.

The government plans to allow lawmakers to vote on the bill according to their consciences. Most Labor legislators are known to favor the bill, so it has a strong chance of passing into law. Conservatives oppose it.

Opponents of blood sports say hunting is cruel and unnecessary, an outdated relic of a bygone era.

But hunters say they perform vital culling of foxes and help preserve the countryside by maintaining hedgerows and planting trees to encourage birds and other wildlife.

The Standing Conference on Countryside Sports, an alliance of pro-hunting groups, said its studies have shown that the jobs of 27,000 people, ranging from game keepers to farriers and saddlemakers, could go if hunting is banned.

### Earthquake in Venezuela leaves at least 40 dead

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Rescue workers picked through the rubble of a collapsed school and an office building in northeastern Venezuela today in a desperate effort to save about 50 people buried during an earthquake.

The earthquake Wednesday afternoon killed at least 40 people, including 26 students, and injured 162, said Gov. Ramon Martinez of Sucre state, the hardest-hit region.

"We've rescued many people, and we know there are more" victims at the school and the multi-story office tower, Martinez told The Associated Press in a telephone interview early today. "It's possible the death toll could go higher."

The country's worst earthquake in 30 years — with an initial magnitude of 5.5 — struck at 3:25 p.m. Wednesday and sent thousands of people fleeing from homes, restaurants and office buildings from this capital more than 300 miles east to Cumana and also on Margarita island in the Caribbean.

About 30 people remained trapped early today in a demolished office tower in downtown Cumana, the state capital of Sucre, Martinez said. Another 20 to 30 students, teachers and others were buried in the debris of a school in the town of Carapo.

### NATO led forces arrest war crime suspects

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — NATO-led forces arrested two Bosnian Serbs early today in an operation that reflected a new, tougher attitude toward war crimes suspects. A Bosnian police chief was killed in the process, a British official said.

Bosnian Serbs and international sources in Sarajevo identified the two men as Simo Drijaca, former police chief of the northwest Bosnian town of Prijedor, and Prijedor hospital chief Mico Kovacevic.

Sources said Drijaca had been seriously wounded in the operation in northwest Bosnia, while official Bosnian Serb radio and TV said he was killed.

NATO-led forces arrested two men in Bosnia today and a Bosnian police chief was killed in the operation, British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook said in London. The police chief was one of the two men who were arrested, the Foreign Office said.

Cook said it had always been part of the peacekeeping mandate that "troops not only can but should apprehend war criminals whom they encounter in the course of their work."

"These two men were within the British sector of Bosnia. They were known to our forces and that is why they were apprehended," Cook told Sky Television.

### Mudslide wipes out houses in southern Japan

TOKYO (AP) — A mudslide triggered by torrential rains swept down a mountain in southern Japan early today, killing 19 people and wiping out more than a dozen homes. Two people were missing and feared dead.

Another dozen people were injured, two of them seriously, when the mudslide roared down, crashing through a 45-foot-high concrete barrier that was being built to protect the city of Izumi on the southern island of Kyushu, local police said.

After three days of unrelenting rain, a section of mountain gave way at about 1 a.m., releasing an avalanche of bright red mud, boulders and trees on the small community 625 miles southwest of Tokyo.

It carried away all or part of 16 houses in the basin below.

"It's unbelievable," said Gov. Tetsuro Suga of Kagoshima prefecture (state). "It's the first time we've seen such a disaster."

Izumi was the worst-hit area in Kyushu, where flooding damaged some 600 houses, set off about 100 small landslides and covered roads with mud.

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# British Airways vows to offer more flights in spite of strike

LONDON (AP) — British Airways is losing millions of dollars a day from a flight attendants' strike but said it hoped to fly more airplanes today. Passengers faced more aggravating delays and cancellations.

Jeanne Fry tried to get home to suburban Philadelphia from London's Heathrow Airport on Wednesday, but the airline could give her no immediate satisfaction.

"We told them we'll go anywhere — Boston, Chicago, New York — but so far we've got nowhere," Fry said on her way back from her son's wedding.

Fry and other travelers were left in limbo after the British Airline Stewards and Stewardesses Association walked off the job in a pay dispute, throwing British Airways into chaos in a strike scheduled to run through Saturday morning.

About 70 percent of the airline's flights out of its main hub at Heathrow were grounded as the strike began, with about ten percent of the flights from London's smaller Gatwick airport canceled.

That came to 135 flights scheduled to leave London alone. Before long, the airline also was experiencing problems with return flights because dozens of airplanes were not in place to fly back.

British Airways was unable to fly London-Phoenix on Wednesday, for example, so it could not fly Phoenix-London today.

British Airways executives predicted an enhanced, but still reduced, flight schedule today. They said the airline would increase services by about 25 percent over Wednesday's levels, adding

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some of the intercontinental, European and domestic flights they missed.

Franz Beauzil, a print manager from Speyer, Germany, said he got the runaround from British Airways on his plans to return today from a family vacation in the States.

Beauzil was told Monday night that his flight out of Phoenix was still scheduled, but on Wednesday he ended up spending hours at the airport, only to learn he would have to fly out twelve hours earlier than scheduled, on another airline.

"That's stupid," Beauzil said. "I've lost two days — one day walking through the airport and tomorrow we leave at 9 o'clock in the morning."

Despite trying to put on its best face, British Airways was left grumbling about the legality of the strike vote taken by the BASSA union, which represents 8,500 of the flight attendants. The union reiterated its contention that the vote was perfectly legal, but British Airways held out the threat that it might sue for damages.

Another 3,500 flight attendants, represented by a breakaway union, Cabin Crew 89, have settled a wage deal with the airline and are crossing the picket lines. British Airways said some members of the striking union also were defying the walkout and many more were calling in sick — so they wouldn't have to strike or work.

The Transport and General Workers Union, which is handling negotiations for the strikers, said the workers had shown solidarity and predicted British Airways would lose \$330 million in the walkout.

"There is no possibility of the company operating anything like a normal service without an end to the dispute," said George Ryde, the transport union's national secretary for civil aviation.

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