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Official backing for prison sought

By LAURA HALEY
Staff Writer

Although a final decision has not yet been rendered, community leaders hope the city, county and economic district will join together to bid for one of four new Texas Youth Commission facilities.

"There is tremendous financial benefit and other benefits to the area for winning this competition," said Lew Mollenkamp, executive director of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation.

If the city, county and economic district band together, that will bring the number of entities vying for a youth prison facility to 221. As of last week, 220 cities and counties across the state had submitted letters of intent for the bidding process, said Mollenkamp.

Community leaders in Pampa met Friday afternoon to decide whether they will throw their hat into the

ring as a potential site for one of the facilities. Among those attending the meeting were Mollenkamp, Mayor Bob Neslage, County Judge Richard Peet, City Manager Bob Eskridge, and Lewis Meers, president of the PEDC board of directors. One other city council and PEDC representative also attended the meeting.

The main concern — whether enough resources and incentives are available to submit a lucrative bid package — was the only issue addressed at the meeting.

It was decided, with the entities joining together, that Pampa did have a chance. However, before that chance can be taken, the measures must first be approved by elected officials of each entity.

"This is going to have to be a strong team effort on part of the PEDC, city and county to have a competitive package," said Mollenkamp in a phone interview this morning.

In an effort to encourage involvement from the

county, Mollenkamp, Judge Peet, Meers and Mayor Neslage met with commissioners this morning, seeking their approval.

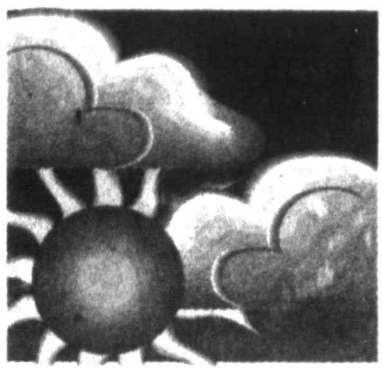
The city commission and economic district's board of directors will also be approached within the next two weeks for approval of the project.

"We're moving ahead to start gathering information we need and what's required and get the community support needed," said Mollenkamp.

And, once community support is granted, area leaders will be ready to move ahead and begin discussing incentives and services to offer in the bid package.

A letter of intent must be sent by the Sept. 12 deadline. It does not, however, commit the city. So, it is likely the letter will be submitted even if the leaders do not have final approval from all of the governing boards by the deadline, said Mollenkamp.

Once entered into the bidding process, the community leaders have until Oct. 3 to submit a bid package.



Low tonight 58.
High tomorrow mid 70s.
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PAMPA — The Texas Department of Health will offer immunizations this month on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays — Sept. 3 and Sept. 17.

Health department officials will be on-hand at the Columbia Family Health Center, 600 W. Kentucky, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. to issue the immunizations. The clinics are offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases such as polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps and HIB (Haemophilus Influenzae Type B).

The Texas Department of Health is charging to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The fee charged is based on family income and size and the ability to pay.

PAMPA — A driver safety course will be in Pampa Saturday, Sept. 13. The class will meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Clarendon College Pampa Center, 900 N. Frost. The cost of the course is \$25.

Upon completion of the course, participants will be eligible for a 10 percent discount on their liability insurance for three years and dismissal of a traffic violation. All dismissals of traffic violations must be approved by the appropriate Justice of the Peace.

This course is offered by Clarendon College and the USA Training Company Inc. For more information, please contact Clarendon College Pampa Center at (806) 665-8801.

- Helen Bentley, 59, former bank employee.
- Odessa Fern Edwards, 65, homemaker.

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Outdoor festival deemed a success

By LAURA HALEY
Staff Writer

It is over and Charlene Morriss is breathing a sigh of relief.

Planning one of the largest outdoor events in Pampa is quite a handful. And, this year's Chautauqua chairwoman believes she handled the event rather well.

"I thought it was a success," she said. "It went really great."

In an effort to return to the educational theme of original Chautauqua events, a few things changed for the one-day celebration this year.

First, there were a lot more educational booths, said Morriss. Among those displaying under this category were Citizens on Patrol, Pampa Police Department, Gray County Sheriff's Office, Pampa Parks and Recreation Department, Texas National Guard, Region 16 Educational Services Center, and Ron Hendricks, who had a computer software demonstra-



(Pampa News photo by David Bower)

Braced for an afternoon of sunshine at Chautauqua, four-month-old twins Abbie and Hannah Brainard absorb their laudatory public attention as their parents Swasey and Stacie Brainard guide their carriage through the adoring throngs.

tion. Handmade and hand-painted crafts were also available and 27 groups/individuals provided entertainment throughout the day.

The festival usually draws a good crowd to Central Park every year, although exact attendance throughout the years has never been determined, said Morriss.

"I thought it was a good crowd," she said. Festival exhibitors in this year's event came from Amarillo, Oklahoma and other Texas towns, said Morriss.

Horse theft to fire ants 1,030 new Texas laws go into effect

AUSTIN (AP) — The 1997 Texas Legislature may be gone, but its decisions are hardly forgotten.

John Bender, communications director of the Texas House, said a total of 1,030 new laws passed during the legislative session that ended June 2 took effect Monday.

The laws cover everything from saving water to destroying fire ants; from separating kids from tobacco to matching them with adoptive parents; from getting tougher on sex offenders to making it easier for low-income folks to get mortgages.

The legislation receiving the most attention during the 140-day lawmaking session got a jump on the rest of the new laws. That's the \$1 billion reduction in local school property taxes. It was authorized in a constitutional amendment approved by voters on Aug. 9.

Some highlights of the new laws:

STATE BUDGET

Another Sept. 1 means another new state budget. Lawmakers approved spending \$86.2 billion over the next two years. That total includes an increase of \$5.5 billion in state money, a 6.8 percent boost over the past two-year budget.

SEX OFFENDERS

The Legislature got tough on sex offenders.

Heading the list is a "two strikes and you're out" law. It automatically sentences a person to life in prison if convicted of certain sex offenses two times. The convict will have to serve at least 35 years, after which parole

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Miami 'cowgirl poet' to perform

Sarah Gill will be one of the featured poets at the National Cowboy Symposium and Celebration in Lubbock this week.

Gill, of Miami, will perform in Banquet Room One between 11 a.m. and noon, Friday, at the Lubbock Civic Center.

As many as 20,000 spectators and participants are expected to converge on Lubbock beginning Thursday. The ninth annual cowboy symposium, the largest in the nation, begins Monday and runs through Sunday.

The annual symposium and chuckwagon cookoff last year drew people from almost 30

states and eight nations.

Alvin Davis, chairman of the symposium, expects at least that many people to visit the event this year with its six stages and 200 exhibits.

While concurrent performances fill the five stages inside and the outdoor stage, saddle equipment, western art, jewelry, furniture, decorative items, boots, hats, western clothing, books, horsedrawn vehicles, bits, spurs, and tapes and CDs of western music and poetry will be for sale.

Davis said there will be more than 100 cow-

boy and cowgirl poets, 75 western musicians, 40 story tellers and two style shows in addition to panel discussions and special presentations. Among the special presentations are a series of horse training demonstrations by Craig Cameron, a performance by the 4th Cavalry reenactment group, Native American dances and a pen of Longhorn cattle.

The Texas Professional Farriers Association will have a tent set up for horse-shoeing demonstrations. A Texas Rangers camp will be set up by the Texas Old Guns reenactment group.



Shauna Munsell: I'm really sad reporters pushed her that far.



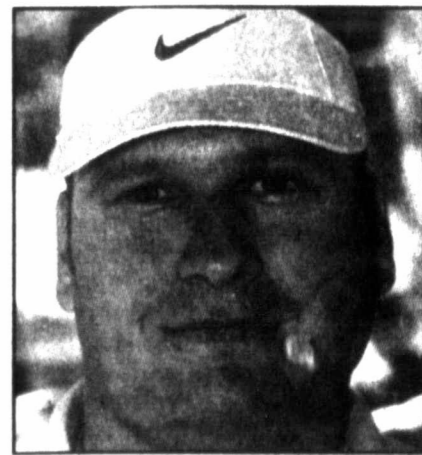
Madeline Graves: She was a person who didn't mind sharing her life with the public. It's sad that it jeopardized her life.



Brooke Parks: It's sad. ...She should have been allowed to enjoy her privacy. I think the press ought to spotlight what she did for humanity not what she did for herself.



Beth Johnson: I think the press should have left her alone.

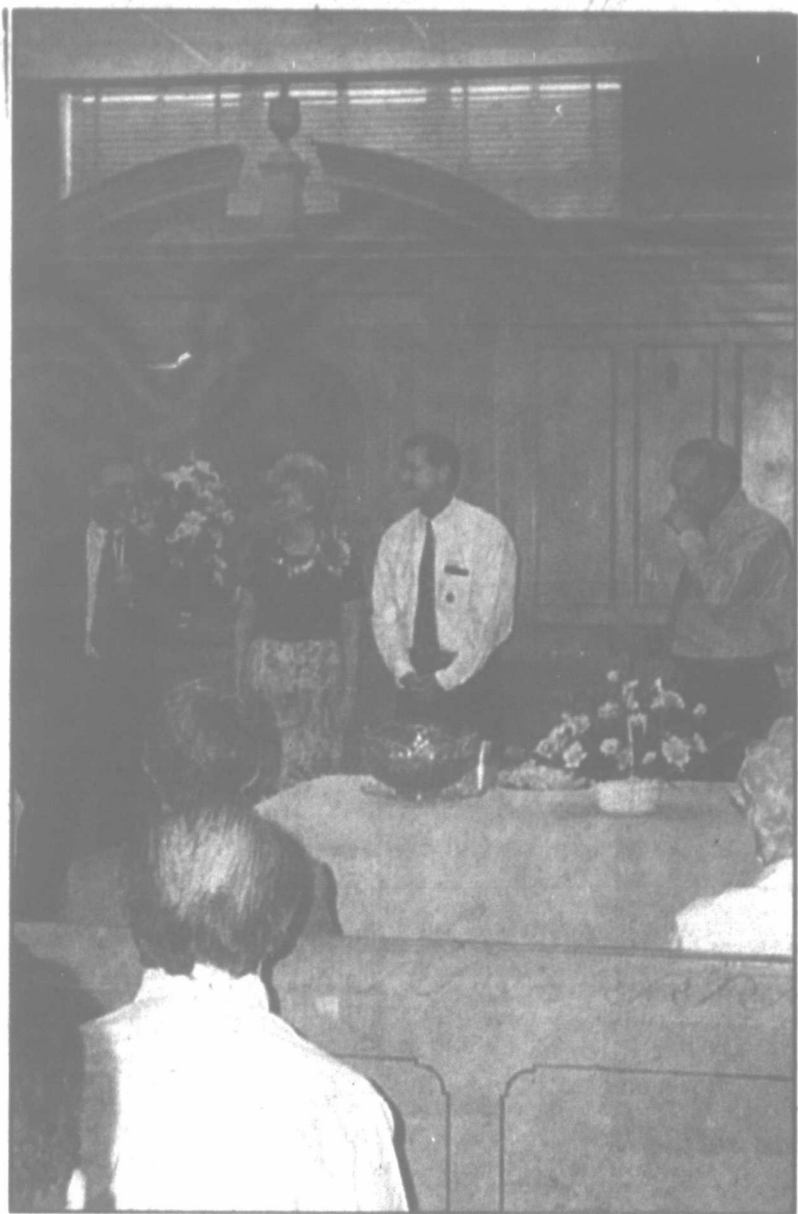


Steve Sanders: I'm sad...The press mistreated her. There's a time and place to leave people alone...I guess that's the price of fame, but you got to give them space.

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Autry reception



(Special photo)

District Court judges Lee Waters and Kent Sims honors Jeane Roper Autry for her 20-plus years of service in Gray County's Adult Probation Department. Also pictured is new Director of Adult Probation Joe Riley. The reception for Autry was held Monday and hosted by the two judges. Members of the community and coworkers gathered to wish Autry well.

Mexico's new democracy challenge for president

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Ernesto Zedillo boasted of bringing fuller democracy to Mexico. Starting Monday, he now has to live with it.

Election reforms backed by Zedillo helped produce Mexico's first opposition-controlled Congress since the end of the revolution in 1917. That legislature, which formally opened its session Monday, is likely to spend the last half of Zedillo's six-year term attacking his policies.

"He will have to make a virtue of necessity" in dealing with a rambunctious Congress, historian Lorenzo Meyer said. "Given his doctrinaire belief in free-market policies, it won't be easy for him."

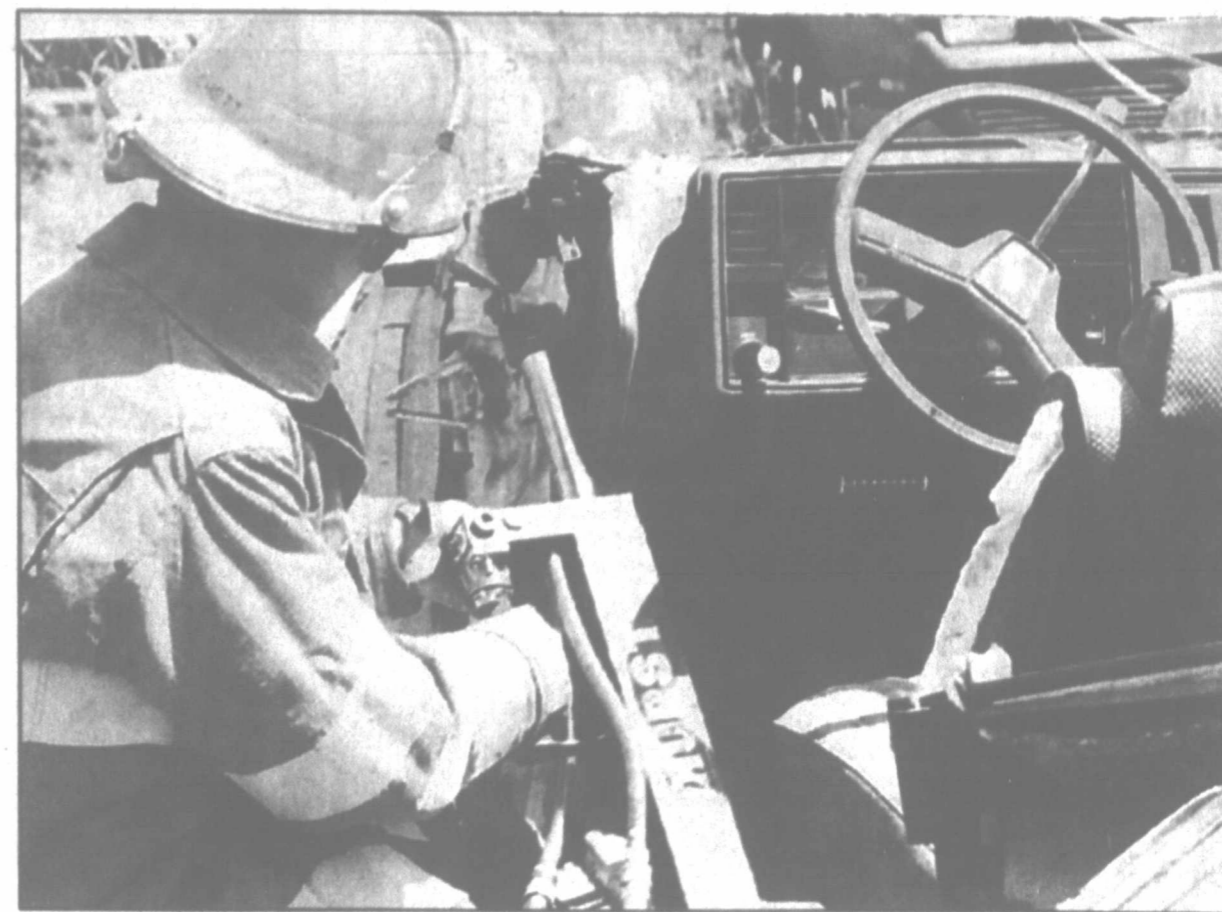
The July 6 election was both a historic setback for Zedillo's party and a triumph of reforms the president said answered "the long-held desire of many generations to live in a full democracy."

Zedillo's Institutional Revolutionary Party lost the Mexico City mayoral and city council races. It also lost the absolute majority in Congress it had held since the party's birth in 1929.

In the wake of the vote, Zedillo looked to the positive.

"I have confidence that the elections of July 6 begin a new stage in our political life, a stage in which we have overcome bitterness and division," said the president, who has no experience with a divided legislature.

Firemen perfect technique



(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

Firefighter Ricky Stout uses specialized tools to push forward the dash of an automobile at Bob Douthit wrecking service Wednesday afternoon. The Pampa Fire Department uses the dilapidated vehicles to practices their technique for removing victims from a wrecked automobile.

Three killed, one wounded in Juarez shooting

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) — An entertainment strip near the Juarez Bull Ring has been the scene of another massacre.

Three people were killed and another was wounded Sunday when at least one gunman opened fire with an automatic weapon as the patrons left Geronimo's Bar & Grill, Chihuahua State Police spokesman Ernesto Garcia said Monday. He discounted reports of a fourth homicide.

The establishment is next door to another restaurant where six people were massacred four weeks earlier.

Police were trying to confirm the identities of the victims, who were shot about 8:40 p.m., Garcia said.

Police said officers have found a white Ford Crown Victoria witnesses said was linked to the

shootings. Investigators were interviewing witnesses Monday.

Police gave no motive for the attack at Geronimo's, which is located next-door to the Max-Fim restaurant, scene of an Aug. 3 massacre.

"We don't have any information yet linking this to the Max-Fim," Garcia said. "We don't have any information linking this to drug trafficking."

In the Max-Fim attack, four men armed with AK-47's stormed the club and killed six people and wounded three others. Authorities

had attributed the earlier attack to professional hit men. Two men are awaiting trial in that shooting.

However, no arrests have been made in two other recent acts of violence in Juarez: the Aug. 23 slayings of four doctors and the abductions of seven men two weeks ago.

Officials suspect the previous crimes may be related to a struggle among drug-traffickers for power in the wake of the July 4 death of drug lord Amado Carrillo Fuentes, reputed chief of the Juarez drug cartel.

Pampa woman breaks national shooting records at NRA contest

Editor's note: This story is being repeated because it failed to run in its entirety in the Monday, Sept. 1 issue of *The Pampa News*.

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY
Staff Writer

"Hi, come on in," she sweetly said in a high pitched voice.

Could this small, sweet woman be her? Pampa's own record-breaking shooter?

Yep, it is. And when Kresha McAdoo shot her guns off last week, it was she who shot down a women's national record at the National Rifle Association (NRA) competition in Raton, N.M.

Vice-president of the Pampa Rifle and Pistol Club, Kresha brought 17 awards home from the national competition in addition to breaking a national women's record and scoring first place in the "Smallbore Hunter's Pistol Championship Aggregate" competition.

According to Kresha, shooting is "a family thing."

She said that she's been shooting since she was a child. Her parents used to take her and her twin brothers out to shoot cans when they were kids. But the family hobby has turned out to be a much more serious sport.

Kresha's mom, Donna Nunamaker, holds the women's record for shooting chickens, while many of the awards Kresha received this year had to do with shooting pigs, rams, chickens and turkeys.

Not real ones! Pretend ones — silhouette targets.

Three other members of Pampa's Rifle and Pistol Club also placed at the competition, including Chuck Tanner, Bill Morris and Doug Abbott.

Kresha explained that the local organization, which meets week-

group of shooters within the NRA.

However, the Pampa wind just doesn't allow it, she said.

"We all tend to shoot better at competitions in other locations," she said.

What do people think about a woman shooting?

"They love it," she said. "And



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ly, has NRA sanctioned events allowing members to work on breaking NRA records right here in Pampa.

But breaking shooting records in Pampa isn't the easiest thing to do.

Kresha said that competition members are always surprised to hear that none of Pampa's club members are of the "master class" — an elite, qualifying

it really is a lot of fun ... I've been doing it so long, I might as well stick with it."

Kresha credits her parents as being her coaches, and her husband, among other things, as being the person to buy her wonderful guns as Christmas presents.

"He doesn't shoot," she said. But she proudly showed off the grips her husband had made for her pistol.

"My hands are too small," she smiled.

That doesn't seem to be a problem.

Concentration, however, can be.

Kresha said that concentration is key to becoming a good shooter. ... of targets, of course.

"Safety is priority; it's number one on everyone's list."

Just like Kresha is number one on a few lists of her own.

"I hold the pig-long record, shooting 61 in a row," she shyly admitted.

Wow. Now you know whose path to stay out of in Pampa.

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FOI Update

More officials in state show disregard for law

HOUSTON (AP) — The state law designed to guarantee the public access to records of its government has flaws that leave it open to abuse, public watchdogs say.

The Houston Chronicle, in a report published Sunday, said the law has been ignored by some officials and used as a stalling tactic to keep from releasing records.

One example was the case of a public hospital in Amarillo that was put up for sale last year. Members of the hospital district's board of managers obtained bids from four private companies.

The board signed a contract with one bidder and a special election was called seeking voter approval. As the referendum approached, the board refused a request by the Amarillo Globe-News newspaper for the rejected offers.

Instead, the board asked the Texas attorney general for an opinion on whether the bids were public documents under the Texas Public Information Act.

"We're stalling for time," a board member admitted to Cathy Martindale, Globe-News editor. "We need to renegotiate these things and we know that filing for an AG's opinion will buy us the time we need."

It did. The opinion was rendered — and the rejected bids were released to the paper — a week after voters approved the sale.

"That board member just said what a lot of officials in government know, but most of them don't come right out and say," Ms. Martindale said. "Officials get attorney general's opinions all the time just to stall."

The Public Information Act — commonly called by its original name, the Open Records Act — is designed to ensure the public's access to government records.

But the law, enacted in 1973, is like a threadbare crazy quilt. Advocates of open government say it occasionally is cleaned and patched up in the Legislature, only to be trampled or tossed aside by officials who consider it a nuisance.

Custodians of the records defend their reluctance to release some information, and they note that many disputes arise from honest disagreements about the law rather than a desire to flout it.

They cite legitimate privacy concerns, as well as a lack of time and resources needed to gather and dispense material that is requested — often in large amounts — by organizations, news agencies, political consultants and individuals.

One group frequently at odds with open-government forces is the Texas Municipal League, which represents city officeholders and employees.

Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, a perennial carrier of open-government legislation, says the TML is among the "very formidable lobbies" that traditionally resist such bills.

The TML's officials maintain that they are unfairly portrayed by news media and open-government advocates as enemies of access laws.

"I've been called worse," said TML executive director Frank Sturzl. "If you don't like a bill — if you don't like every single aspect, every single section, every punctuation mark of a bill that is lobbied for by the press — you are an enemy of open government," he said. "That's the way they portray you, but that's their right."

"In our portrayal to our member cities, we portray (the media) in a different way, too."

He says the news media have staked out such a self-serving and subjective position on open-government legislation that "they can't possibly report fairly" on the subject.

But taking a stand is the nature of lobbying, said Dolph Tillotson, editor and publisher of the Galveston County Daily News, who often was at odds with Sturzl's group during the 1997 Legislature.

"How can you fight for your interests if you don't stake out a position?" he asked.

Tillotson is co-chairman of the Texas Daily Newspaper Association-Texas Press Association Legislative Advisory Committee, which spotted legislation that stood to affect open records and open meetings. Roy McQueen, publisher of the Snyder Daily News, also chaired the committee.

"Almost every time we're dealing with an open-government issue in the Texas Legislature, we look up and across the aisle opposing us is the Texas Municipal League," Tillotson said.

"We do have a real clear position on this, and I hope that TML and everybody else is real clear on this," he said.

"We believe that the records that are compiled and stored and become part of the record of the government of Texas don't belong to TML, don't belong to even the elected officials. They belong to the people of Texas. Hell, yeah, we've got a real clear position and we hope everybody understands that."

A request for documents under the Public Information Act can easily get stalled through the law's own devices.

The law has 24 exemptions. If an official believes requested documents should be withheld because of an exemption or a possible conflict with privacy laws or other statutes, the agency has 10 working days to seek an opinion from the attorney general's office, which has 60 working days to respond.

The hitch is that many officials seek those rulings knowing full well that the documents in question are public records, said Paul Watler, a Dallas lawyer and president of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas.

"As a practical matter, a little bit of delay — even days or a couple of weeks — can be just as useful to them as completely withholding information," Watler said.

"I can't remember a time when there's been so much blatant disregard for requests of what are clearly public records," said Joel White, of the Houston firm of Ogden, Gibson, White & Brooks.

In 1995, legislators required the attorney general's office to issue opinions within 60 working days. That has helped to curtail, but not end, attempts at deliberate stalls, say Watler and other watchdogs.

Political consultants, Watler said, can swamp agencies with records requests in efforts to dig up negative information on opponents.

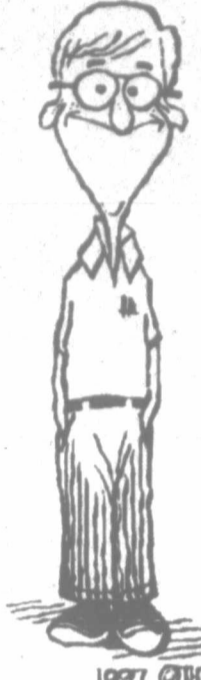
"Many of those requests have merit, but many are the result of politicians and candidates using the records law as bait to go on fishing expeditions."

Open-government advocates say the public's right to know has been compromised by legislative assaults in addition to court rulings.

"Access to public information is limited, number one, because the Legislature continues to pass too many exemptions to (open-government) laws; and, number two, because public officials have this mindset in which they treat public information like it's their personal property," said Houston lawyer Rob Wiley.



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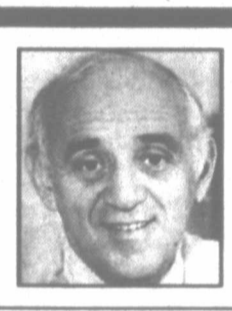
For about 35 years, I have been a counter-cyclical optimist. While most everyone was saying, look how bad it's getting, I made a living saying, no, most measurable aspects of the human condition are improving.

(Counter-cyclicalism is an old problem with me. Growing up in the Bronx, home of the Yankees, I was a Brooklyn Dodgers fan, and paid dearly for it.)

But now everything is perfect. The Wall Street types say the economy is unbelievably, implausibly perfect. (Even the mini-busts don't seem to last long.) Crime and welfare are way down. American soldiers aren't fighting anywhere. Democracy is spreading around the world.

So what's a CCO to do? How can an optimist be against the grain when everyone else is also cooing? I see five-and-a-half choices, some of them interrelated. Stay with me on this.

I could say I Told You So. Because I do not intend to take this path, I will not bore you with the details. I will not say, "I always said the economy was doing better than the pessimists were saying." (Now confirmed by data showing miscalculations in the Consumer Price Index.) I will not say, "I always said America will prevail (sooner or later) in the Cold War" (while many neo-cons were saying America has lost its nerve, and some liberals were saying it's about time.) I will not say, "I always said crime and welfare would turn around if we got tough again." I will not say, "I always said the Democratic Party could eventually change its ways." (We shall see about that. No one's perfect.) I will not say any of those things here



Ben Wattenberg
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because that would be gloating, and I am not a gloater (often).
I could say It's Even Better Than You Think. For example: Look, no riots this summer. But that takes things far too far.

I could — eek! — switch and become a counter-cyclical pessimist. I could say, "This won't last, look at the dark clouds on the horizon no larger than a man's fist, but swelling rapidly." I could say, "The world will succumb to global warming if we all don't start gathering our own roots and berries." But I don't believe that. (Except that Europe and Japan are in real trouble unless they start having babies.)

I could remind all who will listen never to forget Murphy's Law. The text of ML announces: If It Can Go Wrong, It Will Go Wrong. As Casey Stengel used to say, that is a true fact. But there is an even more powerful law: Murphy's Law Amended. The essence of MLA stipulates that even as everything that can go wrong is going wrong, the tide of measurable human progress is so powerful that the track of our species remains

ascendant at this time. (Progress Trumps Inevitable Ineptitude.)

There is a fifth choice: Murphy's Law Amended Again. This folk statue holds that even though ML is overridden by MLA, there will be people with vested interests who make the case that there are hidden demons out there. In good times like these it takes a while for such goblin-mongers to surface, but, trust me, they will arrive. (Special Interests Fight The Perception of Progress.)

(Think Teamsters. They argued that part-time workers at UPS, most of them part-time by choice and about half of them college students, making \$11 an hour with a full complement of benefits, were proof that "working people" were cruelly shortchanged. And who are the working people in Teamster-talk? Are they the 10 percent of the private labor force in unions, sweating profusely while the rest of us sip claret in our smoking jackets and clip coupons?)

So I will ride out the public acknowledgment of good times knowing that MLAA will prevail. That leaves me with my own half-a-choice, 5 1/2. Sooner or later, I can once again be anti-MLAA, that is, a counter-cyclical optimist. Do you follow me?

That leaves out only one thought, which supercedes even anti-MLAA. The measurable aspects of the human condition are indeed better than ever before. We live longer. We are healthier. All that is very important. But we don't fly to the moon on gossamer wings. Personally, life is still too tragic. And most people are at least a little bit nuts. That comes with the territory. Even counter-cyclical optimists ought not maintain otherwise.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Tuesday, Sept. 2, the 245th day of 1997. There are 120 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 2, 1945, Japan formally surrendered in ceremonies aboard the USS Missouri, ending World War II.

On this date:

In 1666, the Great Fire of London broke out, claiming thousands of homes but only a few lives.

In 1789, the U.S. Treasury Department was established.

In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Gen. William T. Sherman's forces occupied Atlanta.

In 1901, Vice President Theodore Roosevelt offered the advice, "Speak softly and carry a big stick," in a speech at the Minnesota State Fair.

In 1935, a hurricane slammed into the Florida Keys, claiming 423 lives.

In 1945, Ho Chi Minh declared Vietnam an independent republic.

In 1963, Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace prevented the integration of Tuskegee High School by encircling the building with state troopers.

In 1963, *The CBS Evening News* was lengthened from 15 to 30 minutes.

In 1969, North Vietnamese president Ho Chi Minh died.

In 1985, it was announced that a U.S.-French expedition had located the wreckage of the Titanic about 560 miles off Newfoundland.

Ten years ago: West German pilot Mathias Rust, who flew a private

plane from Helsinki, Finland, to Moscow's Red Square, went on trial in the Soviet capital. Rust, who was convicted and given a four-year sentence, was released Aug. 3, 1988.

Five years ago: On the campaign trail, President Bush announced nearly \$2 billion in new aid for U.S. farmers and a \$6 billion jet fighter sale that would largely benefit Texas. Democrat Bill Clinton, meanwhile, charged that Bush would shortchange middle-class students to finance tax cuts for the rich.

One year ago: Muslim rebels and the Philippine government signed a pact formally ending a 26-year insurgency that killed more than 120,000 people.

Today's Birthdays: Author-con-

servationist Cleveland Amory is 80. Former Sen. Alan K. Simpson, R-Wyo., is 66. Former Baseball Commissioner Peter Ueberroth is 60. Rhythm-and-blues singer Sam Gooden (The Impressions) is 58. Singer Jimmy Clanton is 57. Rhythm-and-blues singer Rosalind Ashford (Martha & the Vandellas) is 54. Singer Joe Simon is 54. Football Hall-of-Famer Terry Bradshaw is 49. Actor Mark Harmon is 46. Tennis player Jimmy Connors is 45. Actress Linda Purl is 42. Rock musician Jerry Augustyniak (10,000 Maniacs) is 39. Country musician Paul Deakin (The Mavericks) is 38. Actor Keanu Reeves is 33. Actress Salma Hayek is 29. Rhythm-and-blues singer K-Ci (Jodeci) is 28. Singer Tony Thompson is 23.

Challenges of the post-feminist age


All her life, my friend Julie has defined herself against her mother. "She wanted me to get married and have babies, because that's what she did," says Julie, who recalls the day when, as a teenager, she told her mother that she wanted to go to law school. "She asked me what I would do when my husband has to pay off my loans, and I said 'Well I'm not going to get married' and that was that."

But now, at 31, Julie sees the limitations of this reasoning. "The problem is, you get trapped. I feel like I'm not making my own decisions but I'm just reacting. So does that make me any better? Am I really freer than my mother was?"

That's the challenge of being a woman in the post-feminist age: How do you cut through all the various controversies surrounding women's lives and simply make your decisions? How do you keep personal choices from being perceived as political statements? And why does everything have to be so loaded?

Take the engagement ring issue. My friend Amy found that her decision not to wear one was met with myriad comments from friends and family. "I'm not really a jewelry person and there just seemed like better things we could do with \$10,000," she says. "But people always put a political spin on it."

Rebecca, on the other hand, saw things from the opposite lens. She found that her traditional wedding — complete with the acquisition of



Sara Eckel

an engagement ring, her husband's name, and a big white dress — defined who she was to many onlookers. "People would say, 'Oh, you're traditional,' when I kind of felt that that was none of their business. Not that they can't ask me, but they shouldn't assume anything."

Of course, sometimes the decisions we make are political. Amy admits that she didn't like the idea of wearing something that essentially says "taken" when her fiancée wore no such marker. "But it doesn't bother me if other women do."

And that, of course, is the key: to not be bothered by what other women do. Which isn't always easy. I confess that when I hear that a friend or acquaintance has decided to take her husband's name, I do feel a slight sting of disappointment — it does make me see her in a different way.

But this is the kind of thinking that women,

on all sides of the political spectrum, need to get away from. The culture wars are waged on the premise that so-called "traditional" and "new" women somehow threaten each other, that the two cannot exist in harmony.

Some women blame feminism for all the confusion, but to me that's like blaming the invention of the automobile for the fact that you get stuck in traffic sometimes. True, we probably wouldn't be in this jam if we were still driving horses and buggies, but I for one am glad we have cars.

To me, the real problem has been the divide-and-conquer mentality of our culture. Serious debate over women's issues in this country has become nearly impossible because the politicians and the media prefer to stage cat-fights — in which feminist and antifeminist women snipe at each other, both accusing the other side of being the enemy of "real" women. The tactic is an effective one, as it sends the message that we are our worst enemies and it gets men — who, after all, are still pretty much in control of every major corporation and government institution — completely off the hook.

We need to learn to ignore all the babble about how women should and should not behave. But before we can do that, we must stop judging each other. Because until we learn to respect each other's choices, we will never really be free.

Championship competition



(Special photo) Faustine Curry sits atop her horse Bugsy McGown and poses with trainer Susan Clune of Edmond, Okla., after a top ten finish in the American Quarter Horse Youth Association World Championship Show in Fort Worth.

Largest black denomination weighs fate of embattled leader

DENVER (AP) — The humbled president of the nation's largest black denomination sought forgiveness as other ministers pressed for his resignation Monday over alleged personal and financial sins.

The board of the 8.5-million-member National Baptist Convention U.S.A. was to meet late Monday to take up allegations the Rev. Henry Lyons of St. Petersburg, Fla., used church accounts to buy expensive jewelry, a Mercedes-Benz and a \$700,000 home with a woman other than his wife.

On Sunday night, a contrite Lyons bowed his head and thanked supporters at a packed prayer meeting where speakers praised him for admitting mistakes in his handling of church funds. He denied criminal wrongdoing.

"I think it's going to be the greatest hour for spiritual redemption in the history of the Christian church," said the Rev. Acen Phillips of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church in Denver, a church vice president and Lyons supporter.

However, a coalition representing 350 churches announced plans Monday to fight for Lyons' ouster, even if the 200-member governing board allows him to stay on. The mechanism for over-riding the board is unclear.

"As Christians, we are taught to love everybody and forgive," said the Rev. John J. Barfield of Phillippian Baptist Church in Philadelphia, spokesman for the Coalition for a Better Convention. "At the same time, we cannot carry out and conduct business as usual."

Behind-the-scenes negotiations between church leaders and Lyons took place throughout the day Monday. A source close to the talks who spoke on condition of anonymity said the discussions involved Lyons remaining as president through the annual meeting, then resigning. The Rev. S.C. Cureton of South Carolina, a church vice president who is second-in-command, would take over the top spot until new elections could be held.

Lyons, 55, was elected three years ago on a reform slate that promised to open the group's financial records to its members and move it in the politically active direction the Rev. Martin Luther King envisioned nearly four decades ago.

Lyons started off strong by establishing a close relationship with President Clinton, reducing church debt and helping form an economic development corporation for black churches.

Music department encourages community participation

BORGER — The Community Choir of Frank Phillips College music department will be practicing from 6:30-9 p.m. beginning Sept. 8 in the Fine Arts Building on campus.

The choir will be directed by Judy Strecker, music department chair. This past

year, the choir had more than 40 members and traveled to New York to perform at Carnegie Hall. The public is encouraged to join this wonderful community organization. There are openings in all sections.

In addition, the FPC Chamber Orchestra will be meeting from 6:30-9 p.m. on Tuesday

evenings beginning Sept. 9 in the Fine Arts Building with Enid Hays, adjunct music instructor, directing. Again, the public is invited to come and join.

For more information, call the music department at (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 728.

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Woman Fears Small Slip Will Let Big Secret Out Of The Bag

DEAR ABBY: I did a careless thing and I don't know what to do next. My mother and I have kept a big secret (I will not divulge the secret) within the family since I was a small child.

This secret has involved numerous lies to outsiders. I asked Mother for permission to discuss the secret with my psychiatrist, and she agreed. We were both comfortable with this, knowing that psychiatrists cannot reveal what their patients discuss.

I did not ask for permission to discuss it with my support group. However, I did discuss it — and now I'm worried that one of the other members of the group will mention it to someone outside, and my indiscretion will come back to haunt me.

Mother does not know I did this. She and I are extremely close and I know she senses my nervousness. My question: Should I confess to Mother and clear my conscience, or should I pretend that nothing happened? This is tearing me up inside. I feel physically ill and I'm extremely depressed. My mother has been through enough and I don't want to hurt her, but I cannot forget what I have done.

FEELING GUILTY

DEAR FEELING GUILTY: It is unlikely that your secret will be discussed outside your therapy group, where generally, confidentiality is required. Dis-



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

Discuss your fears with your psychiatrist, and ask him or her to make an announcement reiterating confidentiality at the next group session. Since you feel that your mother would be upset by your disclosure, say nothing to her. Then forgive yourself, and let it go.

DEAR ABBY: I was baffled by your response to "Stressed Out in Whitehall, Pa.," who wrote to you concerning a piano that her sister had given her seven years before and now wanted returned. You practically ignored the piano issue, which was the point of the woman's letter, advising her to return it — and then went on to give her an abundance of information about the chronic fatigue syndrome she mentioned she was suffering from.

Although I'm sure "Stressed Out" appreciated your concern for her health, she wrote to you about the piano. Why should she, immedi-

ately upon her sister's request, return a piano that was given to her and that she had kept for seven years?

You excused the sister's rude actions by stating that she may have been unaware of "Stressed Out's" illness. Regardless of her health, if she still plays the piano and derives pleasure from it, I see no reason why she should give it up. The piano was given to her, and her sister will just have to learn to deal with it.

A FELLOW PIANIST IN HILLSBOROUGH, CALIF.

DEAR FELLOW PIANIST: "Stressed Out" said her sister "insists that she told me seven years ago that she was giving me the piano with the stipulation that if one of her children or grandchildren should decide some time in the future that they wanted to play, I would return it."

As a fellow pianist, you certainly must be aware that a good piano is a big-ticket item. Rather than create ill will on the part of her sister, her niece and her grandniece — as well as to keep peace in the family — I advised her to return the disputed piano. I stand by my answer.

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Sept. 3, 1997

Influential friends with whom you'll be chummy in the year ahead could help you to further your ambitions. You will learn firsthand the benefits of constructive relationships.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Something materially advantageous might be offered to you today from a least expected source. It could be related to an endeavor you have launched recently. Virgo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY

10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not lock yourself into a tight schedule today. Spur-of-the-moment developments that come from left field could be quite beneficial.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Advancement developments are in the offing for you in this cycle, but they might not come about in the ways you envision. Keep an open mind.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today, if you find yourself focused on a particular friend, it could be because you're on his or her mind as well. Try to open communications.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Conditions that affect your career or finances could improve today. Be prepared to capitalize on events if things start to break loose.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You will be restless today if you aren't involved in something that challenges your imagination and intelligence. Seek creative outlets.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you're negotiating a commercial arrangement

today, don't tip your hand prematurely. Wait until it is time to close, then play your ace.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your luck is still holding in developments that require a collective effort. Continue to enlist a competent partner when necessary.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Put your innovative talents to work for you today. An objective that can't be achieved by traditional methods can be attained if you're resourceful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Worthwhile information could be passed onto you today by a friend with whom you'll be involved socially. It could stem from a few casual comments.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be on the lookout for unusual opportunities today that could provide additional earnings for you from an untapped source.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even though you may have your mind set upon doing something a specific way, don't discount bright alternatives that pop into your head today.

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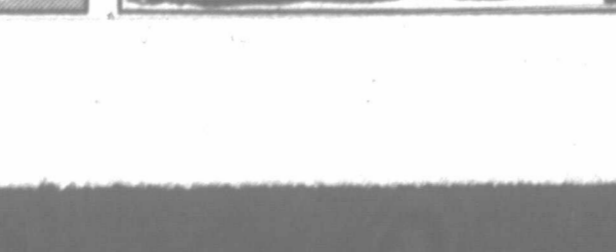
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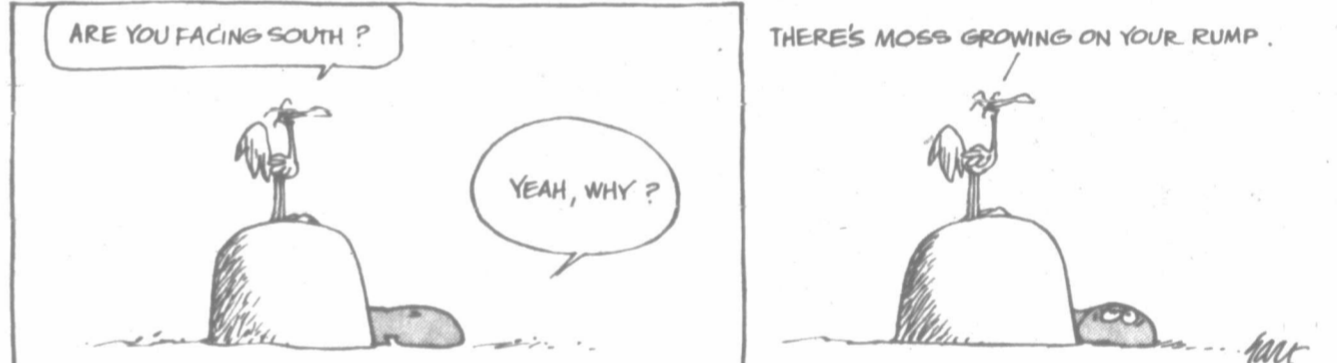
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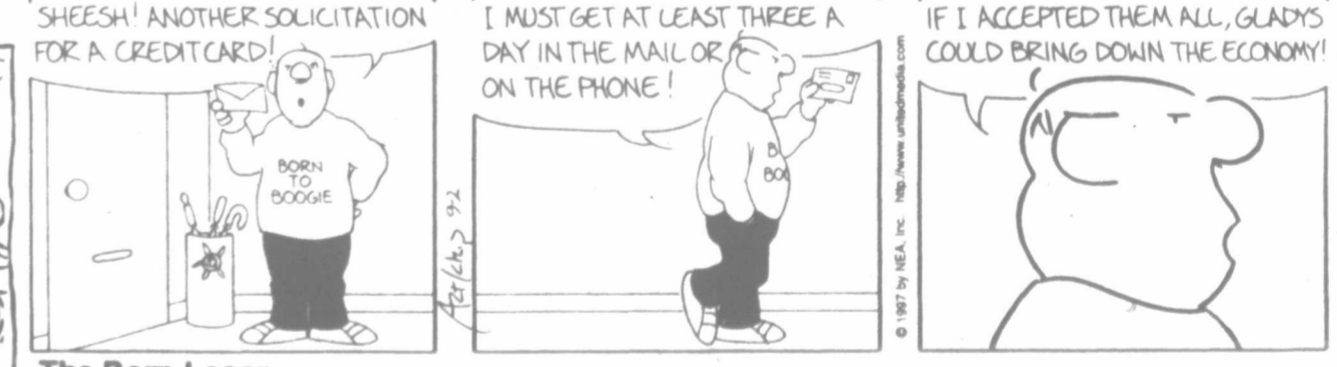
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FOOTBALL

DALLAS (AP) — Kansas Patrick Brown, who became the third linebacker in NCAA history to return two interceptions for touchdowns in a single game, was named the Big 12 Conference defensive player of the week on Monday.

Oklahoma State quarterback Tony Lindsay, who came off the bench Saturday to complete eleven of 15 passes for 104 yards and no interceptions, was named offensive player of the week, the conference said.

KANSAS STATE (9-1,0-1) Next game: vs. Wyoming Sept. 6 Coach Dan McCarney was disappointed in losing the opener to Oklahoma State but more disappointed with the running game of the Cyclones, which averaged 237 yards per game last season.

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“Last Saturday, I received new information, and I re-evaluated the four suspensions and lifted two of them,” Smith said. “They dealt with violations of team policy and regulations. Smith said he wasn't hasty in making his original decisions.”

HOUSTON (AP) — Selected comments from the Big 12 North coaches during their weekly conference call on Monday: KANSAS (11-0, 0-0) Next game: vs. Texas Christian Sept. 6

SOCCER

Table with columns: Major League Soccer, Eastern Conference, Western Conference. Rows include D.C., Tampa Bay, Columbus, New England, NY-NJ, Kansas City, Colorado, Dallas, Los Angeles, San Jose.

Tailgate parties come to an end for Oilers' fans

HOUSTON — Sure enough, the sun came up Sunday morning. It was the first day of the rest of Houston's NFL life.

Did anyone ever think that traffic running smoothly outside the AstroDome would be a disappointing sight? The gates to what once was the Oilers' practice entrance, through which walked the likes of Kenny Houston, Elvin Bethea, Billy “White Shoes” Johnson and Earl Campbell, were chained and locked.

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Jerry Rice, the NFL's greatest receiver, probably will miss the rest of the year because of a knee injury in the season opener.

Rice has knee surgery, likely lost for the year

“The prognosis is he'll be out four to six months and it is unlikely he will return for this season,” Mariucci said.

“It's going to test our mettle,” Young said. “It's going to test who we are, top to bottom. We'll be able to watch it, you'll be able to see how we do on the test.”

Team physician Dr. Michael Dillingham was operating on Rice while Mariucci spoke at a news conference. The possibility remains that another operation will be needed to complete the repairs.

who had burst into the 49ers' backfield.

“It was clearly the most spectacular run,” said teammate Brent Jones. “I'm not putting him out of the game next week, but to me what he's done is much more amazing than Cal Ripken.”

“You know he will rehab and recover as quick as anybody,” Mariucci said. “You know he doesn't want to go out on that note. It was a tough blow but we have to move on and get it done without him.”

Environmental leaders tour devastated goose habitat

MEMPHIS — Environmental leaders, elected officials, researchers and media from the U.S. and Canada recently toured areas of the arctic tundra that have been devastated by out-of-control snow goose populations.

“It's important to build a consensus in the environmental community that something must be done to address the problem,” says Dr. Batt, “and the best way to do that is to show these leaders first-hand the extent of the destruction.”

Experts estimate that, because of changes in agricultural practices on the birds' southern wintering grounds and other factors, snow goose populations in the central United States have tripled since the 1960s. Such high numbers are more than their arctic breeding habitat can handle.

Drayton, Bud blame them all. They forgot about the fans and what that team meant to Houston. They just looked out for themselves.”

“I used to never miss a game,” said Innis, who spent Sunday afternoon watching the NFL — but not the Oilers — at a local sports bar. “Now, I'm not watching them anymore. I hope they lose. Mayor Bob,

for his durability and success. “You know he will rehab and recover as quick as anybody,” Mariucci said. “You know he doesn't want to go out on that note. It was a tough blow but we have to move on and get it done without him.”

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Experts estimate that, because of changes in agricultural practices on the birds' southern wintering grounds and other factors, snow goose populations in the central United States have tripled since the 1960s.

The AGHWG has made recommendations to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Canadian Wildlife Service on how snow goose populations might best be brought under control.

Pete Rose Jr. gets a hit in his major league debut, but Reds lose to Royals

CINCINNATI (AP) — Pete Rose Jr. got a hit in his major-league debut, winning his father's applause, but couldn't reach Jermaine Dye's tie-breaking double as the Kansas City Royals rallied for a 7-4 victory Monday over the Cincinnati Reds.

With his father, baseball's all-time hits leader, watching from the stands, the 27-year-old Rose struck out in his first at-bat and then singled the second time up. He went 1-for-3 with a walk.

Pete Rose, who tops baseball's all-time hits list with 4,256, held up his index finger to celebrate his son's first major-league hit. Rose also applauded, along with the crowd of 31,920, when his son made a backhand stop on Jay Bell's grounder down the third-base line and threw him out in the fourth.

Rose Jr. dove but had no chance to stop Dye's RBI double down the line in the sixth, the final blow in a three-run inning that put the Royals ahead 4-3.

Mike Remlinger (6-7) walked Johnny Damon and Jed Hansen to start the inning and Bell single to cut it to 3-2.

Kevin Appier (8-11) gave up six hits and five runs in five innings.

Mets blank Jays

NEW YORK (AP) — Jason Isringhausen took a two-hitter into the seventh inning for his second win and John Olred homered off his former Mets Monday, leading the New York Mets to a 3-0 win over the Toronto Blue Jays.

Isringhausen was making his second start for the Mets since coming back from a broken wrist and tuberculosis this season. He allowed two hits, walked six and struck out six.

Olerud, traded by the Blue Jays last December after playing eight seasons in Toronto, hit his 17th homer in the fourth off Pat Hentgen (14-9) to give New York a 1-0 lead.

Phillies down Yanks

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Curt Schilling struck out a career-high 16 while Hideki Irabu — and Yankees owner George Steinbrenner — left early Monday as the Philadelphia Phillies beat New York 5-1.

A crowd of 50,869, the largest at Veterans Stadium to see the Phillies since 1995, saw Philadelphia win for the sixth time in eight games. The Yankees have lost four of five.

Schilling (14-10), who pitched eight innings on the humid afternoon, raised his major league-leading strikeout total to 279. He also set a team record for strikeouts by a right-hander, passing Jim Bunning's 268 in 1965.

The 16 strikeouts tied for the third-most by a Phillies pitcher, and were the most since Steve Carlton fanned 16 in 1982. Chris Short fanned 18 in 15 innings in 1965 and Art Mahaffey had 17 in 1961.

Schilling walked none and allowed seven hits. Irabu (4-3) was chased before getting an out in the fourth inning, allowing all five runs and nine hits. Rookie Tony Barron led off with a home run, the 12th given up by Irabu in just 38 2-3 innings.

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Foreign exchange students



(Special photo)

Pampa High School AFS exchange students for 1997-98 are Julia Peters, left, of Germany, and Vincent Simoneau of Quebec, Canada. Peters' host family is the Ronnie Parsley family and Simoneau is hosted by the Mike Sublett family. The AFS students were introduced at the Chautaugua state at noon in Central Park.

Crime compensation:

Attorney General Dan Morales announces aid to crime victims to double this month

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales announced the minimum amount of compensation to be awarded to a crime victim doubled with the beginning of the new state fiscal year Sept. 1.

The maximum award has been increased to \$10,000 from \$50,000 for victims of crime suffering catastrophic injuries resulting in total and permanent disability. The cap for other victims was increased to \$50,000 from \$25,000.

"Victims of crime need and deserve all of the emotional and financial support that we can give them," Morales said. "For far too long government has been overly concerned about the rights of criminals. We are pushing the pendulum in the other direction on behalf of the

innocent victims of crime. It is their rights and needs we are concerned about."

The legislation increasing the amounts was proposed by Morales and was sponsored by Rep. Allen Hightower and by Sen. John Whitmire. It passed during the 1997 session of the Texas Legislature.

The Office of the Attorney General administers the Texas Crime Victims' Compensation Fund. All revenue for the fund comes from state and federal criminals. Parolees also pay into the fund and private contributions are accepted.

Benefits available from the fund also were expanded. Victims and qualified family members may be reimbursed for costs associated with travel

or lost wages related to receiving medical treatment or having to attend court hearings or meetings with law enforcement. Payments for child care and loss of support also were expanded.

Dependents of all crime victims, not just those who die, are now eligible. Grandparents, Texans injured or killed out-of-state or out of the country are now eligible, as well as peace officers, firefighters and others whose employment includes the duty to protect the public.

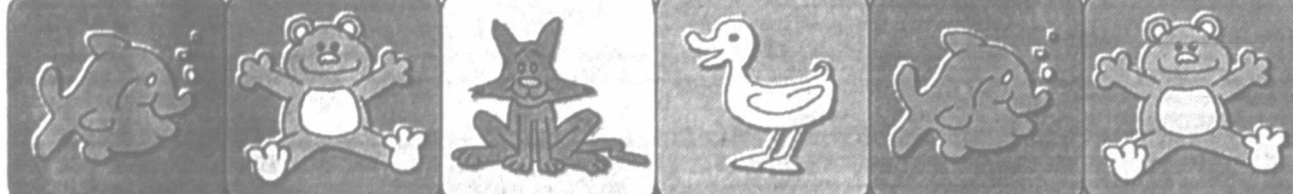
The fund also will maintain an emergency reserve for victims of mass violence and terrorism. The reserve would provide emergency relief and assistance such as housing, travel and food for victims.

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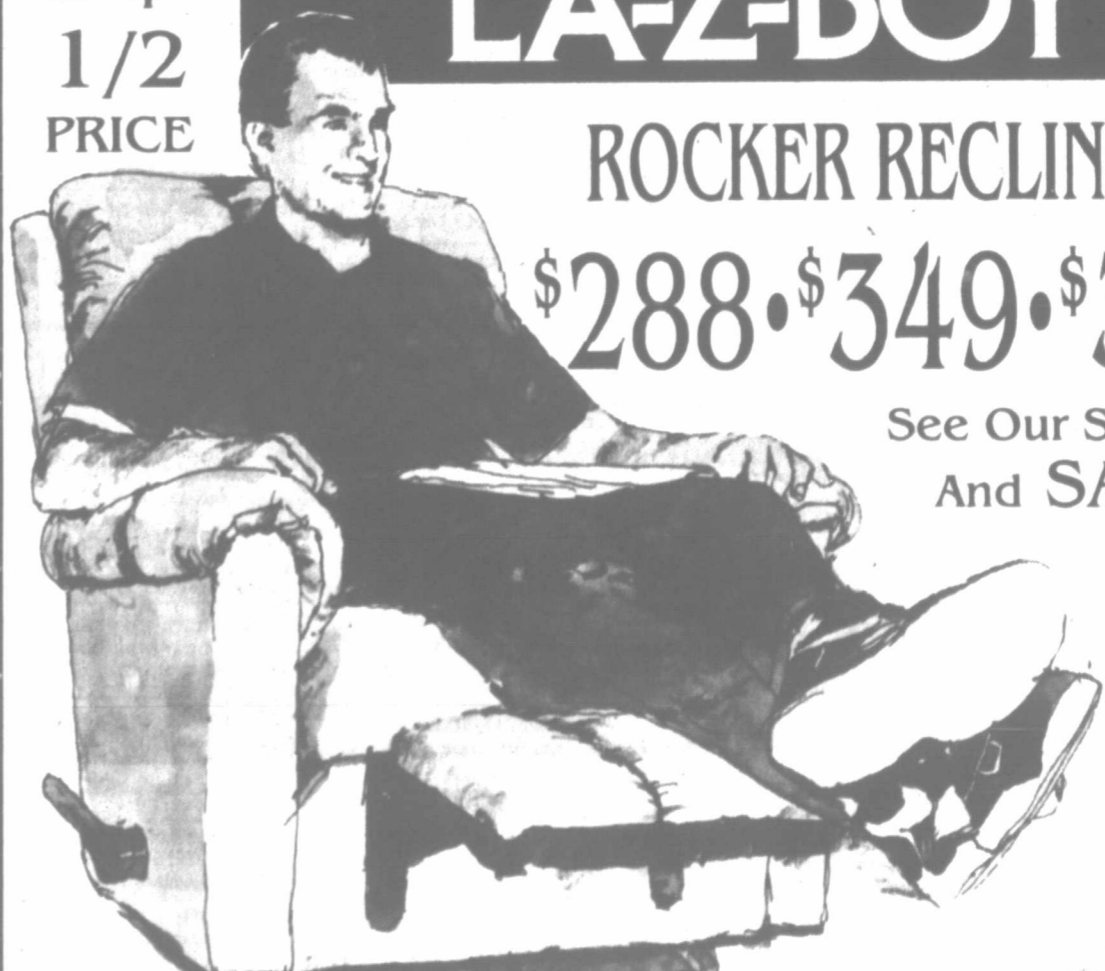
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