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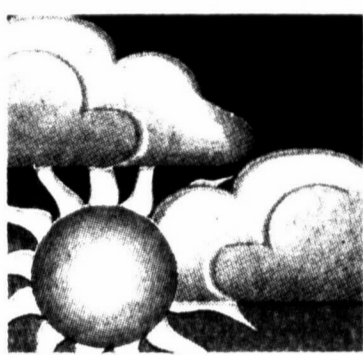
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PAMPA—The 1998 Pinewood Derby for the Santa Fe District will be Saturday, April 4 at the Pampa Optimist Boys Club Gymnasium at 601 E. Craven. Registration will be from 9 until 10 a.m., races will be from 11 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., with awards presented from 2:30 to 3 p.m.

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 3-19-26-31-36-50. Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$8 million.

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — When taxi driver Al Gutierrez found six Final Four tickets and \$10,000 in cash in the back seat of his taxi, he knew exactly what he had to do.

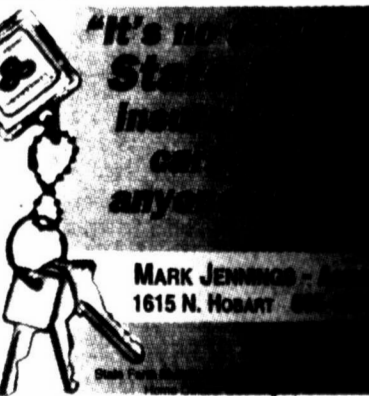
He made sure that the tickets and money he found Saturday afternoon got back to the owner.

"The thought never even crossed my mind to take any of it," said Gutierrez.

He was busy shuttling fans to and from hotels when he found the items and said he didn't even hesitate when he saw the small fortune of \$10,000 and \$20 bills inside a black bank bag with the tickets.

- **Sonya Perey Hinton, 79**, first-generation American.
- **Zelda Patton Stafford, 90**, daughter of one of Pampa's pioneer families.
- **Richard E. Brown, 60**, former Pampa resident.

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Fiddle not just heirloom

By **MIRANDA G. BAILEY**
Staff Writer

Harvey Ivie is proud of his fiddle. He has every right to be. Born of the labors of his father, Ivie's handmade violin is about as old as this century. In its original rose box, with the original bow, the 79-year-old Harvey learned to play the splendid instrument his father sat down and made in 1905.

"He cut the tree down. It was black walnut," Ivie said.

His father made it without a pattern in sight and today the violin is valuable beyond dollars to Ivie. After a \$1,000 offer for the fiddle, Harvey declined and said he wouldn't take \$2,000.

"Nope," he said. "I don't need the money."

Harvey's father, a blacksmith, welder, do-it-yourself kind of fellow, not only passed on his fiddle through the Ivie family, but he also passed on his love and talent as a musician.

Although Harvey's days as a violinist are not as many as in previous years, due to a hand injury, he insists, "this is really a good violin."

Over and over, he was himself amazed at the complexity of the handmade instrument while explaining its details.

"Hm. A pocket knife, a chisel. That's all he had. He didn't even know what a fine saw was," he said.

Today, the strings of the old violin strictly wail the tunes of gospel music.



(Pampa News photo by Miranda Bailey)

Harvey Ivie shows off the violin his father made in 1905.

It's the only thing I'll play on it, Harvey said.

But things may change in the next century when one day the family violin is passed on.

Harvey, his daughter and his granddaughter all play the violin. His daughter went to school on violin scholarships,

he said. And his granddaughter won a fiddle championship in Salt Lake City possibly making her competitors jealous, but her grandfather intensely proud.

It is his "champion" who is destined to receive the fiddle after it leaves his hands, he said.

"She deserves it."

Our neighbors...

Dad visits shooting suspect, 13

Wounded 'girlfriend' said boy made threats

JONESBORO, Ark. (AP) — A steady stream of cars, pickups and vans brought children back to Westside Middle School today for the first day of classes since a deadly ambush as residents slowly started a long, painful return toward a normal life.

Classes began on schedule today and "we're doing fine," said Susan Welch, a school secretary

whose voice was recorded on a 911 call last Tuesday reporting shots fired and requesting an ambulance.

School reopened Thursday, but the day was devoted to counseling. Friday was an already-scheduled day off.

Parents began dropping off their children an hour before classes began, and school buses began arriving a short time later. A deputy kept reporters away from the school.

Mitchell Johnson, 13, and Drew Golden, 11, and are being held on murder and battery charges while

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GOP picks delegates, adopts party platform

What worked in 1996 should work in 1998. That at least is the hope of the Gray County Republican Party.

Resolution 13, passed at the GOP convention Saturday morning, resolved to readopt the 1996 state Republican Party platform as the 1998 platform with a few amendments.

Several resolutions affirmed the Party stance supporting the right to life movement and opposing government funding of abortions. Resolution one states:

"We are opposed to genocide, euthanasia and assisted suicide. We oppose legislation allowing the withholding of nutrition and hydration to the terminally ill or handicapped."

Other resolutions passed call for legislation to reaffirm that parents do have the right to raise their own children, government shouldn't interfere or use tax money for child care and that parents should be informed before their minor daughters were allowed abortions.

The county convention also

issued resolutions that support Tony Garza for Texas Railroad Commissioner and opposing the admission of Puerto Rico as a state.

Chosen as delegates to the state Republican convention are: State Rep. Warren Chisum, Judge Richard Peet, Tom Mechler, Carl Kennedy, James Bradley, Carolyn Stroud, Kathryn Green, Marcia Hoover and Doug Ware.

Also selected as delegates were: Scott Hahn, Harold Price, Mellvinia Stocking, Tom Russell, L.L. Patrick, Darlene Parramore Bell, Deryl Robbins, Mike Sublett, J.R. Moreno, Laurey Gilbert.

Chosen as alternates were Omega Chisum, Cheryl Robbins, Pat Kennedy, Carol Peet, Dan Bachler, June Robbins, Mary Duenkel, Gaylene Bradley, Wesley Green, Mark Gilbert, and Nancy Hahn.

Also selected as delegates were Dorothy Ware, Kerrick Horton, Barbara Patrick, Elizabeth Russell, Kim Price, Joel Combs, Bobbye Combs, and Dwight Brown.

Lower-cost youth sports program set

By **MIRANDA G. BAILEY**
Staff Writer

Sonny and Tinde Haskins say a lot of children are being left out of the athletic youth program activities offered in Pampa.

But primarily out of a need to provide parents and children with a lower-cost youth sports program, the Haskins are initiating the Pampa Kids Club Basketball Association this summer, they said.

"We see a lot of children being left out of activities because of costs, status or athletic ability," according to the couple.

Because of the costs associated with other local youth sports organizations, such as the Optimist Club, the Haskins said, they decided to start their own organization with a one-time \$25 registration fee for children to play year around.

"There will be no club dues for parents or volunteers to be active in this organization. But only with your help can we provide this type of program for your child or children," they said.

The Optimist Club, which has been offering youth sports programs for at least 40 years in Pampa, offers baseball, basketball and football programs with charges ranging from \$35-\$55 dependent upon the sport.

The Optimists charge a \$35 fee for basketball registration. If parents are interested in coaching they must pay \$55 to become an Optimist Club member first or \$30 every six months — \$60 a year — to coach as a non-member. These parent fees and the individual sports fees, are used toward national registration dues, equipment

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Prisons work out specifics for castrations

DALLAS (AP) — Months after a Texas law permitting voluntary castration of repeat sex offenders took effect, state prison officials haven't approved or scheduled anyone's operation.

The child molester who inspired the law — and the one who has requested the surgery — is eligible for parole this year.

Larry Don McQuay, who made headlines by begging the state to castrate him so his sex drive would be reduced, says he has molested more than 200 children.

He says he applied for the surgery in hopes of controlling his pedophilic impulses, but is eligible for parole in November.

Although state officials have

called parole for McQuay extremely unlikely, he wrote The Dallas Morning News that "I will be walking the streets of your city, your community, your neighborhoods."

"And without a doubt, there will be children around," he wrote. "You tell me what is likely to happen if I am not castrated before I am released."

A law permitting voluntary castration of repeat sex offenders was approved by the Texas Legislature in 1997 and took effect in May.

But Glen Castlebury, spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, said no castrations are scheduled because officials are still working out the details of implementing the new law.



Republican County Chair Tom Mechler (right) greets 31st district judicial candidate Steve Emmert as Judge Richard Peet watches.

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Daily Record

Obituaries

SONYA PEREY HINTON
 Sonya Perey Hinton, 79, Pampa, died Sunday March 29, 1998. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in St. Matthews Episcopal Church in Pampa with the Rev. Jacob Clemmens, rector, officiating. Cremation and services under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hinton was born June 24, 1918, in New York City and was a first generation American. She moved to Pampa after World War II. She lived in Carson County for 48 years and returned to Pampa in 1997. She married Paul Hinton on June 16, 1945, in Charleston, S. C.



Mrs. Hinton was a member of St. Matthews Episcopal Church and chairperson of the United Thank Offering, as well as a member of the Venado Blanco Club in White Deer.

Survivors include her husband, Paul, of the home; one daughter, Paulette Gentry of Valrico, Florida; one son, Douglas Hinton of Wotton Under Edge, England; and one grandson.

The body will not be available for viewing and memorials may be made to the St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Day School Building Fund.

ZELDA PATTON STAFFORD
 BATON ROUGE, LA. —Zelda Patton Stafford, 90, sister of a Pampa woman died March 26, 1998 and was buried in Baton Rouge La.

Mrs. Stafford was raised in Pampa and married Fuqua S. Stafford in 1929. They moved to Baton Rouge, La., in 1936. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Patton a pioneer family of Pampa.

Mrs. Stafford was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one child, and a brother, Otto D. Patton.

Survivors include one sister, Virginia McDonald of Pampa, a son, John E. Stafford of Baton Rouge, four grand-children and three great grandchildren.

RICHARD E. BROWN
 Richard E. (Gene) Brown, 60, a former Pampa resident died Wednesday, March 25. Burial was at For Rosecrans Cemetery.

Mr. Brown was born December 23, 1937 in Borger. He graduated Pampa High in 1956 and attended West Texas State University. He married Jan Dellinger May 22, 1988. He had been a resident of San Diego County, Calif., for the past 12 years. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife of the home, two sons, Mike Brown of Horn Lake Miss., and Rick Brown of Pampa, a step-daughter, Samantha Dellinger of San Diego, a brother Wade Brown of Napa, Calif., and a sister Marylyn Kidwell of Pampa.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL
 Pampa Area Literary Council office will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

PAMPA CHESS CLUB
 The Pampa Chess Club meets every Tuesday night at the Coronado Inn at 7:30 p.m. We offer casual but competitive games against players of all ages and strengths, free instruction by expert chess players, and a free chess club newsletter. Nonmembers and novices are very welcome! For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

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

CHILDREN'S THEATER CLASSES
 The Gem Theater will be holding Spring acting classes for children ages 6-12 at 4:30 p.m. at the Gem Theater. The cost of the course is \$45 and will be limited to 15 children. For more information or any questions call Dr. Carale Manning-Hill at 944-5383.

TEEN SEXUAL ACTIVITY
 Tuesday, March 31, at 7 p.m. in the M.K. Brown Heritage Room. The abstinence program that will be implemented in the P.I.S.D. in the fall of 1998 will be introduced along with a slide presentation by Dr. Dan Powell on Sexually Transmitted Diseases.

BEREAVEMENT SERIES
 Bereavement Series, "Life, Loss, and Transition": Crown of Texas Hospice is offering a bereavement series "Life, Loss and Transition," Mondays, April 6, 13, 20, and 27, from 6-7 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 200 S. Bryan, Borger. This program is for those who have experienced death of a loved one. It will be guided by Janet Bailey, Med., LPC, Professional Grief Counselor of Texas Hospice. This service is free to the community. For more information, call 372-7696 or 1-800-572-6365.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....911
 Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
 Energas.....665-5777

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, March 29
 Eric Masias, 26, 4005 Hilltop, was arrested on municipal warrants.

An assault was reported at the Coronado Inn. A gas theft was reported at Allspots at 140 S. Starkweather, \$1.01 in gas was reported stolen.

Monday, March 30
 Elizabeth Sprinkle, 22, 1229 Williston, was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, March 29
 Calvin Menefield, 36, Shamrock, was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

Richard Perez, 23, Shamrock, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Ronald Anthony Jackson, 22, Fritch, was arrested on charges of public intoxication.
 Raymond Vasquez, 42, Canadian, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Monday, March 30
 Michael Eldon Marsh, 41, Pampa, 619 N. Sumner, was arrested for expired registration.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accident during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, March 29
 Freddie Hunnicutt Jr., 21, 604 N. Russell, was cited for improper turn, expired registration, expired inspection and no liability insurance when his 1990 Pontiac Grand Am turned right from the outside lane in front of the 1987 Ford pickup driven by Andrew Salinas Jr., 41, 1224 S. Faulkner, as both were driving North in the 900 block of Hobart. No injuries were reported.

Ambulance

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

Saturday, March 28
 10:03 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Roberta. No one was transported.
 11:23 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of Kingsmill. No one was transported.

Sunday, March 29
 8:38 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of N. Nadia and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

10:24 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of Russell and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

12:39 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of Hobart. No one was transported.

1:40 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

4:24 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Mary Ellen and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.
 5:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, March 29
 8:38 a.m. —Two units and four personnel responded to the 600 block of Nadia on a medical assist.

3:08 a.m. —One unit and two personnel responded to the 400 block of Carr on a hazardous material spill.

6:48 p.m. Two units and three personnel responded to 709 Lowery on a hay fire.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Antebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	2.92
Milo	3.91
Corn	4.47
Soybeans	5.77

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

Occidental	29 7/16	dn 3/16
Puritan	20 7/8	
Magellan	108 4/8	

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

Amoco	87 5/16	up 1/8
Arco	78 13/16	dn 3/16
Cabot	38 11/16	dn 3/16
Cabot O&G	21 1/4	up 1/8
Chevron	83 5/16	up 5/16
Coca-Cola	77	dn 15/16
Columbia/HCA	31 3/4	up 9/16
Enron	46 1/4	nc
Halliburton	51 5/16	dn 15/16
IRI	12 5/8	dn 1/16
KNE	57 1/2	dn 1/8
Kerr-McGee	71 1/4	up 11/16
Limited	29 1/16	dn 3/16
McDonald's	58 1/8	up 2 3/4
Mobil	78	up 13/16
New Atmos	28 11/16	dn 1/4
SCE	50	dn 1/16
Phillips	74 3/4	up 3/16
Phillips Nat. Res.	25	up 1/8
SLB	77 1/4	dn 3/4
Tenneco	41 11/16	dn 9/16
Texasco	60 15/16	up 13/16
Ultramar	34 7/8	up 13/16
Wal-Mart	50 1/16	up 1/8
New York Gold	302.00	
Silver	6.24	
West Texas Crude	16.83	

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and overhead, said Optimist Club President Bill Simon.

That's not right, said Sonny Haskins of the Optimists fees, that these parents volunteer their time to the kids and they have to pay to do it — in addition to the fees they have to pay for their own child or children to participate, said Haskins.

The \$25 registration fee for the kids club will be used primarily for uniforms and to help pay for other children who may not be able to afford the fee, he said. The Haskins are looking for community members to sponsor children who can't afford to play.

"We would like to invite anyone (parents or not) who would like an opportunity to coach, referee or help us sponsor a child — who otherwise may not have the opportunity — to contact us at 669-6732," the Haskins said. "We will not turn away any child for any reason."

The couple have already received support for the new organization from other community businesses as well as the school district.

"Special thanks to the Pampa ISD for allowing the children of Kids Club to use the Multi-Purpose Activities Center for their activities and thanks to Myles Cook of T-Shirts and More and the Soccer Association for help and support," they said.

Children K - 6 are invited to the beginning sign-ups which will be held at the high school's MPAC building on Saturday, April 4 and Saturday, April 11 from 12 to 4 p.m.

The season will start in May and last year around. Small basketball teams will be formed to allow all children to play often, according to the Haskins. The child's coach will contact parents to inform them of the practices and games to be scheduled.

"We will dedicate ourselves to all children, regardless of experience, to teach them the fundamentals of basketball and above all, to have fun!" said the Haskins.

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they await their next court appearance, on April 29. Mitchell's father, Scott Johnson, told NBC's "Today" show that a visit to his son in jail over the weekend was "very painful."

"These are young boys, young children and to see them behind bars ..." he said. He described his son as "very upset" and remorseful.

On Sunday, The Jonesboro Sun published an interview with Candace Porter, the 11-year-old girl whose breakup with Mitchell was given as a possible reason for the rampage that left four pupils and a teacher dead.

Candace, a sixth-grade honor roll student, said he had threatened her and often talked about beating up other boys, so she thought little of it when she heard he was saying "something big might happen."

Candace said she knew little about Mitchell when she agreed to be his girlfriend about a month ago and that she did not feel responsible for his actions.

"I thought he was nice, and then I found out he was trouble," she told the newspaper. "He was always talking about fighting other people. He'd say he was going to beat them up the next day. He called one of our music teachers a bad name that I can't say."

Doctors removed a bullet from Candace's right side; it had penetrated little more than skin.

"I'm never going outside again," Candace told the newspaper. "I'll go out for recess, but not for a fire alarm."

Police say one boy set off the fire alarm, and then two blasted 22 shots into the crowd during a four-minute barrage, taking the lives of Paige Herring, 12, Stephanie Johnson, 12, Brittney Varner, 11, and Natalie Brooks, 11. Ten people were hospitalized.

English teacher Shannon Wright, 32, who died shielding a child, might have been an intentional target.

Cindy Angel said her step-granddaughter and Stephanie Johnson had come home from school the day before the shootings and talked about threats Mitchell had made.

"He said he was going to kill the girl who had broken up with him, and the others who had made him mad and Mrs. Wright," Mrs. Angel said. "I didn't think much of it."

Sunday sermons in Jonesboro tried to make some sense of the tragedy.

"We refuse to be paralyzed by fear," the Rev. Rodney Reeves said to a chorus of amens at Central Baptist Church. "Our God is so great and so good that he can take something so evil as the slaughter of innocence and turn it for good."

Reeves compared the devastation felt by Jonesboro residents to that of the Israelites whose temple was destroyed by invaders.

"Father, you know this is a hard time for us," he said. "These are our friends, these are our families. Please rain your peace upon us now."

Five funerals were held over the weekend, but a community memorial service is scheduled for Tuesday.

The First Baptist Church plans to distribute 250 stuffed animals, donated by a local Wal-Mart store, to Westside students, who will be encouraged to bring the cuddly bears and bunnies to the service at Arkansas State University.

"The idea is to give them something to hold," said the Rev. Bruce Tippitt, one of a dozen scheduled speakers for the service.

President Clinton plans to address the service via videotape from Africa. Attorney General Janet Reno and Gov. Mike Huckabee plan to attend.

Fuel prices dive; not air fares

WASHINGTON (AP) — The airline industry saves \$170 million a year every time the price of a gallon of jet fuel falls a penny, and jet fuel costs right now about 25 cents less than a year ago. So far, none of that is ending up in passengers' pockets.

Airlines are keeping the savings for themselves and looking forward to bettering record 1997 profits of \$5.3 billion. Why? Because they can.

The nation's strong economy has created a heavy demand for air travel. Planes are more than 70 percent full on the average flight, largely business people who typically pay the most expensive fares.

The industry's willingness to defy gravity isn't lost on some passengers.

"I think I paid too much," said Judy Szugda of Derry, N.H., sitting in Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport during a layover on a \$349 round

trip to West Palm Beach, Fla.

"I didn't have much selection in flights, and I'm not happy knowing how much they've been saving," she said.

There's a similar feeling in corporate travel offices, where a collective gag arose last year as the cost of business fares rose by close to 17 percent, based on the American Express Airfare Index.

Terry Trippler, whose "Airfare Report" tracks all major fares, said he's seen no major pricing changes in the past two months except for sales to fill left-over seats.

"The airlines are in a mode right now, 'Make as much as you can as quickly as you can,' and they are succeeding in that," Trippler said. "The airlines have their eye on Wall Street right now, and I wish they would put it back on the traveler a little bit."

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Mostly cloudy, cooler and windy today with a high of 62 and southwest winds of 20-30 mph. and gusting. Tonight, partly cloudy and breezy with a low of 35 and southwest winds from 15-25 mph. Tomorrow, mostly sunny and breezy with a high in the low 60s and winds from the west at 15-25 mph. and gusting.

REGIONAL FORECAST
WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Low Rolling Plains — Wind advisory in effect today. Tonight, clear. Lows 30-45. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs in the 60s.
SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy with scattered evening showers and thunderstorms mainly east, partly cloudy west. Lows in the 50s, with 40s Hill Country. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs in the 70s. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, mostly cloudy with a good chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows near 60 inland to upper 60s coast. Tuesday, becoming partly cloudy with a chance of early morning showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 70. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Wind advisory Coastal Bend. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s. Tuesday, chance of showers or thunderstorms early, then decreasing clouds and becoming mostly sunny. Highs in the 70s.

BORDER STATES
NEW MEXICO — Wind advisory today far northeast and east central plains. Tonight, partly cloudy and cold west with snow showers mostly ending. Clearing and cold southeast. Variable clouds, windy and cold northeast with a chance for snow showers. Lows 10 to 25 mountains and northwest with 20s to mid 30s east and south. Tuesday, slight chance for snow showers northeast Tuesday morning. Otherwise partly sunny and warmer Tuesday with mostly fair skies.

OKLAHOMA — Wind advisory today central and southwest. Tonight, partly cloudy. A chance of evening thunderstorms southeast. Lows in the upper 30s to upper 40s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s to upper 60s.

mountains to mid 40s along the Rio Grande. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 50s mountains to near 80 along the river.

NORTH TEXAS — Tonight, partly cloudy, windy, and cooler central and west. Thunderstorms, some severe, ending during the evening northeast. Then decreasing cloudiness. Thunderstorms likely southeast. Lows 45 southwest to 62 southeast. Tuesday, a slight chance of morning showers southeast, then decreasing cloudiness. Mostly sunny elsewhere. Highs 72 to 75.

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City briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisements.

EMERGENCY JAIL Release. 24 hrs. Jack Ward, 669-9911. Adv. **NOW OPEN** at 206 N. Russell - Sumthin' Old Sumthin' New, inside the Credit Bureau. Antiques, collectables, crafts & more. Adv.

TAX SERVICE: Glenda Brownlee, 625 Whittenburg, Borger, 806-274-2142. Adv.

50TH DANCE Reunion - former dance students who studied under Jeanne Willingham with Beaux Arts Dance Studio & have not been contacted yet, please call Glennette at 665-9432. Adv. **MY FAVORITE** Things, 2143 N. Hobart is now open. Mon-Sat., 10 a.m.-6 p.m., 665-7799. Adv.

"ALL YOU Can Eat" - K of C Fish Fry - Friday, April 3 - 5:30 to 8 pm at Ward and Buckler Sts. Hall. Includes cat fish, hush puppies, red beans, cole slaw, dessert and bev. Adults \$7, children (6-11) \$3. Adv. **PEACE TY** Bear to be given away June 1st. at My Favorite Things, 2143 N. Hobart, 665-7799. Adv.

Officer accused of inappropriate stops

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — A police sergeant has been suspended with pay after being accused of using his position to inappropriately stop female motorists.

The officer, whom the Beaumont Police Department did not identify, is accused of pulling over several women without reporting the stops, the Beaumont Enterprise reported.

The first stop was made several weeks ago just outside Beaumont city limits. Authorities initially believed it involved a police impostor.

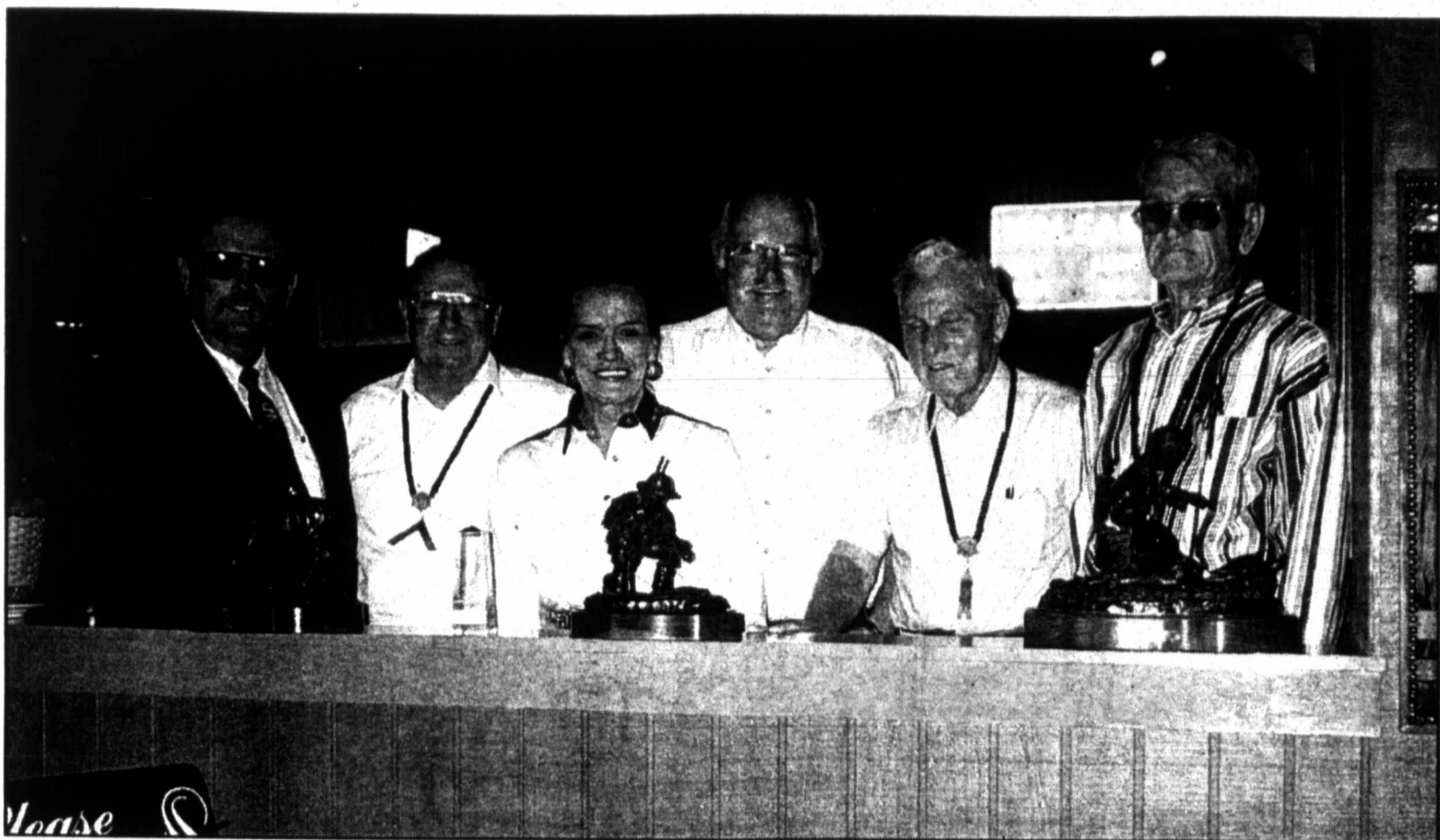
In another incident, the officer is accused of

pulling over a Lumberton woman March 9, shortly after midnight. The woman told police she was stopped by a man in an unmarked white Ford Crown Victoria equipped with a flashing red light.

The man, who was wearing a belt with a handgun and handcuffs, searched her car with a flashlight.

In a statement released last week, the police department said it had forwarded the results of an internal investigation to the Jefferson County district attorney's office. The statement offered no additional comment on the allegations.

McLean business honored



(Community Camera photo)
Gabe and Cozy Parsons (center), owners of Red River Steak House in McLean, were honored recently by McLean Masonic Lodge No. 889 for contributions to the community. The couple received the Community Builder Award from the Masons. Helping in the presentation were (from left) Masons Randy Stubblefield, Creed Lamb, Olen Weldon and O.O. Tate.

American Airlines has new belt rules

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — industry group of major airlines. Fasten your seat belts. And keep them on if you're flying American Airlines starting this summer.

The carrier is set to become the first to require use of lap belts from takeoff through landing while passengers are seated. "People in their seats need to be belted in," American spokesman Tim Smith said Monday. "We've had that as a recommendation to passengers for a long time. It is clearly the best way to deal with unexpected turbulence from a safety standpoint."

Other airlines could follow American's lead, said David A. Fuscus, spokesman for the Air Transport Association, an

stemming injuries from so-called clear-air turbulence — unpredictable pockets of unstable air not caused by obvious factors like storm clouds or mountain ranges. A United Airlines jet flying from Tokyo to Honolulu hit clear-air turbulence in December that killed one passenger and injured 83 others.

Currently, passengers must have seat belts fastened during takeoff and landing but may unbuckle when the pilot turns off the seat belt light.

American's new policy could be in effect by the busy summer travel season.

TDH to offer immunization clinics

CANYON — The Texas Department of Health will offer immunization clinics that will give protection against the following childhood diseases: polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough, measles, rubella, mumps and HIB (haemophilus influenzae type B).

TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

- Immunization clinics scheduled in the area are:
- Pampa — 9 a.m.-5 p.m., April 1 and 15, Columbia Family Health Center, 600 W. Kentucky
 - Canadian — 11 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., April 27, City Hall, first floor, 6 Main Street
 - Groom — 2-4 p.m., April 29, Groom Community Center
 - McLean — 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-5 p.m., April 9, Rural Health Clinic
 - Miami — 2-4 p.m., April 8, Rural Health Clinic.

News photographer found shot to death

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Sheriff's deputies answering a call at an Owasso home found the bullet-riddled body of Tulsa World photographer John David Heckel.

Heckel's wife, Elaine Tiffany, was arrested Sunday morning when she walked into the Owasso Police Department and asked for protection.

"She wasn't clear and by the time we (the sheriff's office) talked to her about her husband, she wanted to talk to an attorney," sheriff's Maj. Jerry Griffin said.

Ms. Tiffany is being held without bail and is scheduled for an initial court appearance April 6.

Heckel's colleagues gathered Sunday and remembered their co-worker as a clown about everything except his own work.

"If any of the other photographers joked about his

work, he would suddenly grow serious and want to know how he could have made it better," said former Tulsa World chief photographer Johnny Walker, who hired Heckel in 1969.

"I think it's his dedication that people will remember," Walker said, "but he'll just want people to remember his pictures."

During his 28 years with the Tulsa World, Heckel received numerous awards and honors from The Associated Press, the Society of Professional Journalists and the Oklahoma Press Association for his features, news and sports photographs.

In 1996, he won first place for a spot news photo in the annual state AP competition.

Heckel "loved being a newspaper photographer more than he loved anything else," Assistant Chief Photographer Daryl Wilson said.

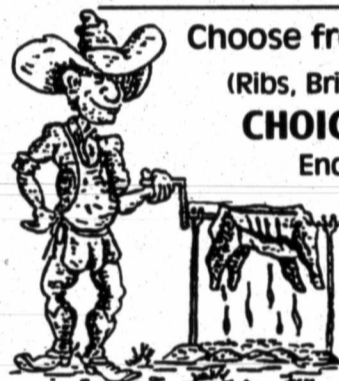
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Texas Editorial

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers: **March** The Valley Morning Star on Valley welfare:

The revelation recently that more than half of the state's two-parent families on welfare reside in the Rio Grande Valley was shocking and embarrassing.

That the majority of that portion of welfare caseload is located in a four-county area that has about 5 percent of the state's 19 million people goes way beyond statistical aberration. What produced the present situation is a combination of various factors, many of them geographic.

Our proximity to Mexico and remoteness from the rest of the United States have depressed the local economy historically, causing our wages to be lower and our unemployment rates to be higher than in other regions. At the same time, the emphasis on family in the Mexican culture has provided cohesion to keep the percentage of two-parent families here higher than in other high-poverty areas.

Assimilation into American society, however, has had a doubly debilitating effect on Mexican-American families. First, there has been a forsaking of the traditional reliance on family in favor of single parenthood. As the story in the Star on Friday noted, only 5 percent of Texas welfare cases concern two-parent families. Single parenthood, not race, ethnicity or age, is the one factor most commonly associated with welfare dependency. The second debilitating effect has been an acceptance of the welfare culture. The cycle of dependency that welfare engenders has perpetuated poverty in the Valley and elsewhere. Here, where the percentage of families living in poverty was high when the welfare culture was instituted, that dependency is deeply ingrained and will be slow in disappearing.

What, then, can be done? Perhaps issue a reminder to our political leaders about the economic principles behind welfare reform. A discussion with the Rev. Robert A. Sirico, president of the Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty, might suffice. In his Acton Notes newsletter for March, Sirico notes "that economics is not so much a system of doctrines as it is a particular way of thinking, and this economic way of thinking is comprised of certain concepts that, while commonsensical, are essential for sound economic analysis." "The first of these concepts is that incentives matter (emphasis his)...."

"For example, if we see that the sum of government cash payments and services to the poor is greater than what they could earn at a job, and if we understand that people will choose the greater benefit over the lesser one, we will not be surprised when some choose unemployment rather than work. Thus the irony that government programs designed to help the poor instead conspire to keep them poor."

There should be no straying from the course of moving welfare recipients into private-sector employment. Entry-level jobs are not matches made in government job training programs or federally funded free education, but are borne of the desire to improve one's status. That will occur with increasing regularity — and with a higher degree of permanence — when the disincentive of living off the taxpayer instead has been removed.

Jobs, not handouts, are what lift families out of poverty. Only by forcing those trapped in cycles of dependency and government-supported poverty into lives of self-sufficiency will the Valley shake off the stigma of living on the dole.

Broadcasters must not cave in

During my 10 years in Boston radio, the looming Federal Communications Commission regulated much of the controversy we aired — until the boss, in self-defense, cut out anything controversial. I envied the reporters on the Boston Globe, who didn't have a government agent editing their copy under the fairness doctrine that compelled broadcasters to give time to opposing views on controversial issues.

The FCC eventually abolished that doctrine in 1987 because it violated the First Amendment rights of broadcasters and dampened, rather than encouraged, controversy.

Now, however, Bill Kennard, the all too confident chairman of the FCC, has declared — with the enthusiastic support of the president — a compelling need to force commercial broadcasters to provide free time to political candidates. He insists that his rule is "minimally intrusive and doesn't trample anyone's First Amendment rights."

Broadcasters, of course, are licensed, which gives the state the power to make sure stations don't bump into each other's frequencies. There are also other technical problems within the government's reasonable need to regulate.

Increasingly, however, the government has made demands of broadcasters that clearly take control of content. And by and large, broadcasters have failed to fight strongly and persistently enough for their First Amendment rights.

This current government push for free political TV time extends state involvement with broadcast content to the point where television appears to be an arm of



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the state — as it is in some other countries.

Cameron DeVore, an attorney specializing in First Amendment media cases, points out that the free air-time concept "relies on a naked governmental directive to America's broadcast media to air political speech not of their choosing, but instead selected by candidates and defined by government fiat."

This doctrine for reforming campaign financing will actually involve the government giving the people IN GOVERNMENT the power to take television time, no matter what broadcasters might decide. After all, running for office will be incumbent members of Congress and members of state legislature who aspire to higher office. The state will then be the publisher of these political broadcasts, not the broadcaster.

This is in the public interest?

As DeVore notes, "Government preference for ... political speech or indeed any other category of speech based on its content is particularly repugnant to the First Amendment."

Ah, but doesn't the government — acting on behalf of the people — own the broadcast spec-

trum? Lillian R. DeVier, a law professor at the University of Virginia, emphasizes that this unlimited ownership argument means the state "can license the spectrum on any terms it chooses, regardless of whether the licensees would be signing away constitutional rights by agreeing to the government's terms."

This growing involvement of the state in television content increasingly makes this medium a creature of the state.

Justice William O. Douglas foresaw the evolution of government control of television. Of the fairness doctrine, Douglas had said, "It puts the head of the camel inside the tent and enables administration after administration to toy with TV or radio in order to serve its sordid or its benevolent ends." Much more of the camel has since gotten into the tent.

At the moment, there is a jurisdictional battle over free television time for political candidates that avoids constitutional problems. The conflict is whether the FCC can act on its own to impose free time if Congress does not. But Congress is insisting that only it can compel broadcasters to program what it decrees in terms of free political time.

If, however, this further weakening of television editorial independence does become law, this could be the last stand for broadcasters to keep at least some of their core First Amendment rights.

NBC has had the courage to reject the "voluntary" rating system furiously advocated by some members of Congress, but the other networks caved in to show how accommodating they can be. Now look where they are.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, March 30, the 89th day of 1998. There are 276 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 30, 1981, President Reagan was shot and seriously injured outside a Washington, D.C. hotel by John W. Hinckley Jr. Also wounded were White House press secretary James Brady, a Secret Service agent and a District of Columbia police officer.

On this date:

In 1822, Florida became a U.S. territory.

In 1842, Dr. Crawford W. Long of Jefferson, Ga., first used ether as an anesthetic during a minor operation.

In 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward reached agreement with Russia to purchase the territory of Alaska for \$7.2 million, a deal roundly ridiculed as "Seward's Folly."

In 1870, the 15th amendment to the Constitution, giving black men the right to vote, was declared in effect.

In 1870, Texas was readmitted to the Union.

In 1909, the Queensboro Bridge, linking the New York boroughs of Manhattan and Queens, opened.

In 1945, the Soviet Union invaded Austria during World War II.

In 1964, John Glenn withdrew

from the Ohio race for U.S. Senate because of injuries suffered in a fall.

In 1970, the musical "Applause" opened on Broadway.

In 1973, Ellsworth Bunker resigned as U.S. ambassador to South Vietnam, and was succeeded by Graham A. Martin.

In 1986, actor James Cagney died at his farm in Stanfordville, N.Y., at age 86.

Clinton follows the founding fathers

Given the breathless reportage that spews nightly from the tube, you could get the idea that the Clinton sex scandals are an unprecedented debasement of the presidency and a sure sign that the empire is rotting at the roots. You would be wrong.

A search through the history books turns up more than a dozen presidents who were directly or indirectly caught up in carnal tribulation of one kind or another. And this doesn't even count such founding fathers as Alexander Hamilton, whose affair with a married woman probably doomed his dreams of high elected office, and Benjamin Franklin, who was known as a ladies' man and who once penned an essay on the bliss of bedding older women.

The roster of confirmed lechers and suspected old goats includes George Washington (who wrote love letters to a neighbor's wife); Thomas Jefferson (who chased married women in Paris, lived in sin with a slave and hit on the wife of a friend); Andy Jackson (who is believed to have kept a slave girl as a paramour and dismissed his entire cabinet when they would not defend the virtue of a friend's wife); John Tyler (who ardently pursued and eventually married a woman 30 years his junior); James Buchanan (who was suspected of homosexuality) ...

And Chester Alan Arthur (who once said that rumors about an alleged mistress were "worse than assassination"); Grover Cleveland (who fathered an illegitimate child and married his law partner's 21-year-old daughter); Warren Harding (who carried on with his much younger lover in a White House coat closet) ...



Joseph Spear

Spear is a nationally syndicated columnist.

And Franklin Roosevelt (who was with his mistress the day he died); Dwight Eisenhower (who was suspected of having an illicit relationship with his World War II driver); John Kennedy (who bedded untold numbers of call girls, staffers, actresses, stewardesses, campaign workers and at least one mobster's moll); Lyndon Johnson (who had numerous liaisons with married and single women); and, of course, our own William Jefferson Clinton.

Three of the scandals generated swells of raunchy publicity.

Thomas Jefferson romanced married ladies while serving as the ambassador to France in the 1780s. In 1802, a scandalmonger in Richmond, Va., reported that T.J. had cohabited with a "sable" concubine, one of his slaves, with whom he had fathered seven children. The editor claimed that Jefferson had attempted to seduce the wife of an old school buddy, and in his ardor had even entered the lady's boudoir while she was in a state of undress. By 1804, his reputation was so sullied that the president of Yale campaigned against him on the grounds that he "would make our wives

and daughters the victims of legalized prostitution."

Andrew Jackson, a fierce defender of womanhood, became incensed when opponents claimed that he had wedded his beloved Rachel while she was still legally married to another man. One accuser was challenged to a duel and paid for his libels with his life. It was this experience, no doubt, that led Jackson to his obsessive defense of Peggy Eaton, the flamboyant wife of a cabinet officer and close friend, who was accused of wantonness by snobbish peers. The brouhaha decimated Jackson's already strained relations with Vice President John Calhoun, and eventually led to the resignation of the president's entire cabinet.

Grover Cleveland became the subject of scurrilous attack when newspapers reported that he had sired a bastard son in New York. The bachelor president was elected anyway, and two years later, he married the young daughter of his late law partner. Reporters followed the newlyweds to their honeymoon cottage in Deer Park, Md., spied on them with binoculars, and openly speculated whether the corpulent Cleveland would crush his small bride.

Cleveland's response to the 1884 campaign charge that he had fathered an illegitimate son carried the germ of an idea that might benefit us in these wicked times. Tell the truth, he advised aides. The people know they are "not electing a gelding."

How about a Eunuch Party? There would be no sex scandals in that White House.

Berry's World



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MEDICAL

Study raises ethical questions

BOSTON (AP) — Patients with advanced-stage Parkinson's disease are so desperate for a cure for the untreatable disease that they're willing to undergo fake operations.

In an experiment that has raised ethical questions, half of the participants in a study of a possible new way to treat the disease will have holes drilled in their skulls but will not get the actual treatment.

The study is aimed at testing the effectiveness of transplanting fetal pig brain cells into the brains of late-stage Parkinson's patients.

Participants in medical studies are routinely divided into two groups — one might receive a new drug, while the other gets a dummy pill, or placebo. This control group gives scientists a basis for comparison and guards against the "placebo effect," whereby some patients feel better simply from receiving medical attention.

Joan Samuelson, president of the California-based Parkinson's Action Network, an advocacy group, said the mock operations are necessary to advance a cure.

"We need to get a breakthrough as strong as is humanly possible and if that is what the researchers think is needed to advance science, we support that," she said.

The fact that patients are willing to participate in the study — even if they get only a placebo operation — shows their desperation for help, said Samuelson, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's 11 years ago at age 36.

The study has stirred debate over the ethics of subjecting patients to something more than just a sugar pill.

"This is not just giving somebody a pill. This is really doing

an operative procedure on somebody," said Dr. Prather Palmer, a neurologist at the Lahey Hitchcock Clinic who monitored a group of patients already implanted with the pig cells.

The study is being sponsored by Diacrin Inc., a Boston biomedical company. The Food and Drug Administration, the agency that will ultimately decide whether to approve the fetal pig cell therapy, encouraged the operations as a way of providing a control group.

The study will be done at Emory University in Atlanta and the University of South Florida in Tampa. Patients will be recruited from those two institutions, Columbia University and Boston Medical Center.

Beginning over the next few months, surgeons will drill a nickel-size hole in the heads of 18 patients and implant 12 million fetal pig cells into the brain of each person using a long needle-like device.

Eighteen other patients will get surgery but not cells. Small depressions will be drilled into their skulls, just above the ears. The holes, however, will not be drilled all the way through the skull, as they will in the real operations.

In what is known as a "double-blind" study, neither the patient nor the doctor who monitors progress will know who has been implanted with pig cells.

Michael Egan, Diacrin's senior vice president, said that the risks are small and that the phony procedures are the only way to measure the success of the transplants and determine whether they should be extended to the estimated 1 million

Americans with the disease. There is no cure for Parkinson's, which causes tremors and stiff movement.

Patients will be informed of the risks and will be told beforehand that they have a 50-50 chance of getting the real operation. Those who receive the mock surgery will be given the chance to get the cell transplant later, if the treatment proves effective.

Whether cells are transplanted or not, most patients will be able to go home the next day wearing just a small bandage.

Dr. Stephen Kott, a neurologist at Lahey Hitchcock Clinic in Burlington, which took part in an earlier study on the safety of the procedure in which no patients went untreated, told the Boston Herald that the clinic would not have agreed to the sham operation.

"There were ethical problems. There are risks involved," he said. "You can have a heart attack, or there can be an infection in the bone."

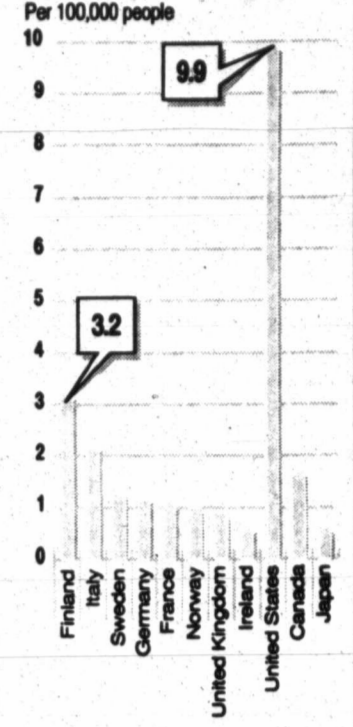
But George Annas, a professor of health law and medical ethics at Boston University, said, "There's almost no question in my mind that you have to do something like this to get a valid control group."

Besides, he added, "I'd be much more concerned about the people getting pig cells in their brains than people with just holes."

In the first-stage study done on 12 patients at the Lahey Clinic, the 11 surviving patients improved 19 percent on physical assessment tests taken one year after the operation. The patient who died suffered a blood clot unrelated to the operation seven months later.

Violent deaths

The rates for violent deaths in selected countries:
Per 100,000 people



Source: United Nations Demographic Yearbook 1995 AP

Gene found for heart condition that can cause sudden death

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have identified a defective gene that can make a young person's heart stop beating for no apparent reason.

The heart basically starts quivering instead, unable to pump blood efficiently. The person collapses, unconscious, and will die quickly unless treated with an electric shock to get the heart working correctly again.

Such episodes are called "ventricular fibrillation" and kill more than 300,000 Americans each year, but the vast majority of those cases are caused by a prior heart condition. The new finding pertains to cases with no apparent explanation, or "idiopathic" ventricular fibrillation.

It's not clear how common IVF is. But past reports suggest it might kill 15,000 to 36,000 Americans a year, said Qing Wang of the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. He reported identifying the gene with other scientists in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature.

The victims cited in the Nature paper were men stricken in their 20s, 30s and 40s, but IVF can appear in either sex and can strike even teen-agers.

Dr. Frank Markus of the University of Arizona College of Medicine in Tucson, who maintains a registry of IVF cases, said the findings might lead to new treatments for IVF and more common disorders that cause ventricular fibrillation.

IVF is now treated by implanting a device to shock the heart back into pumping rhythm if it detects an episode occurring.

The newly identified gene doesn't cause all cases of IVF, but it indicates a particular family of genes that could be studied for other cases, Wang said.

Gene testing in the family of a

person who has had an IVF episode might identify others at risk. Those people could then be warned to avoid intense physical activity or emotional stress, Wang said.

The gene had previously been implicated in another unusual heart disorder, called long-QT syndrome, that can also kill young, otherwise healthy people by disrupting heartbeat. Wang said different flaws in the gene lead to either that disorder or IVF.

The gene is called SCN5A. It tells heart cells how to build channels to take in charged particles of sodium from outside the cell. That's a crucial step in generating the electrical signals that regulate heartbeat.

Wang and colleagues looked in six families with a history of IVF and in two other people with the disorder. The SCN5A gene was mutated in three families.

Researcher uses hypnosis to help syndrome

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — A clinical psychologist is experimenting with hypnosis to alleviate a painful gastrointestinal disorder that affects nearly one out of 10 Americans but is rarely discussed because of its embarrassing nature.

The disorder is irritable bowel syndrome, which is characterized by abdominal pain and diarrhea and/or constipation.

IBS commonly is managed by a high-fiber diet or anti-spasmodic medication, but neither treatment works for about 25 percent of patients who have frequent, often severe symptoms.

Hypnosis may provide relief for those patients by helping them relax, said Dr. Olafur Palsson, director of the behavioral medicine clinic at Eastern Virginia Medical School and assistant professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences.

No one knows what causes IBS, but symptoms often first flare up during a period of stress and may last for years, Palsson said. He has seen patients with such severe, uncontrollable symptoms that they couldn't hold a job.

"This is not a trivial problem," he said. "Half of all visits to gastrointestinal specialists are because of this."

Previous studies by Palsson and by researchers in England found that hypnosis improved IBS symptoms in 85 percent to 95 percent of patients. Palsson now is leading a study at EVMS to find out how the treatment works.

He theorizes that the treatment makes the body less reactive to stress and causes it to produce less of a hormone called vasoactive intestinal peptide, or VIP.

VIP inhibits smooth muscle contractions in the colon and produces abnormal levels of the hormone that are associated with severe constipation and diarrhea. Palsson previously noticed that IBS patients had elevated levels of the hormone.

Hypnosis first was reported as an effective tool for IBS in a study in England in 1984 and has been used there since, Palsson said. Hypnosis is widely used as a medicinal tool in Europe but has not caught on to the same degree in the United States.

Dr. John Lucas, clinical assistant professor of psychiatry at Cornell University Medical College, said the merits of hypnosis have been proven in other studies. It makes sense that it would work in the case of irritable bowel syndrome, he said.

Hypnosis can relieve the stress that exacerbates IBS by helping people focus their attention on something else, said Lucas, who often uses hypnosis to help patients manage pain and break habits such as cigarette smoking.

Palsson, a native of Iceland, used hypnosis to treat IBS while doing a post-doctoral fellowship in behavioral medicine from 1994 to 1996 at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Palsson's new study began in September and will conclude this fall. It involves 32 patients who each undergo seven 40-minute hypnosis sessions over 14 weeks. They also listen to a 15-minute hypnosis audiotape once a day, give blood samples and rate their physical symptoms daily on a standard form.

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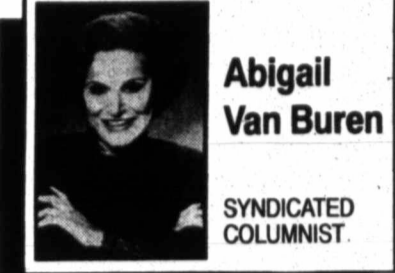
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Man Admits to Worshipping The Feet Women Walk On

DEAR ABBY: I need your opinion on a very unusual subject. I am a single guy with a "foot fetish." I have this tremendous fantasy of worshipping women's feet — bare or with stockings. I love to do everything from kissing and sniffing their feet to sucking their toes.

My question to you, Abby: How common is this fetish among guys, and is it curable?

RAY IN CANADA



Abigail Van Buren
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DEAR RAY: Having a foot fetish simply means that you are "turned on" (sexually stimulated) by feet. It's nothing new, and it's not dangerous. If you want to know what causes it, a psychotherapist could probably dig it out of your subconscious. Or, if you find a willing "sole-mate," you can explore the reason together.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are hurt and angry about a thank-you note our niece sent us for the \$50 we gave her for her high school graduation. Her friends might think it was funny, but we don't.

The note read: "Uncle Jack and Aunt Judy: Thank you for the dollars and the card. Screw college! The cash will be used on wiser things, like a trip to Acapulco, Mexico (and alcohol). Love, Sally."

Should we let Sally and her mother know how we feel? Or should we just give her gifts instead of money from now on?

IRRITATED IN MICHIGAN

DEAR IRRITATED: Don't be so hard on your niece. She is no doubt feeling independent now that she is about to be out on her own, and she was trying to do it on her own. At least you received a thank-you note. There is nothing to be gained by confronting Sally and her mother. And by all means, in the future, send her gifts instead of cash if you're afraid she'll spend the money frivolously.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 53-year-old widow with four grown children who are not financially well-off. My deceased husband left me fairly well-fixed financially. I have several bank accounts that I share jointly with my 28-year-old son. The house is in my name alone.

I recently met a very attractive man. We're discussing marriage, and he has moved in with me. He is

twice-divorced and claims he doesn't have anything — just an old car and some furniture he's had in storage since he moved in with me. I have a small joint bank account with him.

Abby, do you think I need a prenuptial agreement? He is an honest, decent man.

UNCERTAIN IN UTAH

DEAR UNCERTAIN: I think a prenuptial agreement is an excellent idea. Put everything in writing before you tie the knot. Good luck and best wishes.

DEAR ABBY: I'd like to add to your collection of random acts of kindness.

I live in a retirement community of about 125 ranch homes. Two neighborhood men get up for an early walk every morning. As they pass the homes that have newspapers delivered there, they pick up the papers that have been pitched into bushes or slightly off the porches, and place them near the front doors — rain or shine. Isn't that nice?

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DEAR SENIOR: Yes, it's very nice. The two men who perform this generous service daily receive instant rewards from the healthful exercise, but they also deserve verbal thanks. Hooray for them — and hooray to you for citing their daily good deeds.

Horoscope

Tuesday, March 31, 1998

Unique benefits can be garnered in the year ahead through associations with persons with whom you have strong emotional bonds. It's quite possible at least one individual will be a family member.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Someone who could be helpful to you today will be more receptive to your plight if a friend who knows this person well intercedes on your behalf. Stay in the background. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A situation may develop today that has profitable projections, but it might not be in accord

with the way you like to do business. Study it in detail before getting involved.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If a misunderstanding arises today with a person who usually backs you up, don't let it go uncorrected too long. It can be resolved easily if each is willing to adjust.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today you might have a change of heart pertaining to a matter in which you've felt imposed upon because you failed to voice your early objections. If it isn't amended, it could have a long shelf life.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone you like might be a trifle too attentive at this time to a person you dislike. Don't let this get out of hand. It could put some scratches on the relationship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A person on whom you're counting to help you with something you're hoping to achieve today might not be there when needed. Don't worry, a replacement will fill in.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Charm and graciousness can accomplish for you today what demands or heavy-handed methods won't. Make life easier for your-

self by being thoughtful and gracious.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you're delinquent on an obligation, get in touch today with the party or parties concerned to develop ways to ease your anxieties.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) In a matter of significance to you, needless opposition is possible today if you follow your present course of action. Start looking for less-abrasive alternatives.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There is an impediment to be cleared today where your work is concerned. You know what it is, so try to get it out of the way as early as possible for your own peace of mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you feel inclined to gamble on people or things today, be sure it is your own idea and not that of people you don't know too well. Your faith might be misplaced.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You should do rather well today in developments in which you encounter light resistance. However, if you find substantial obstacles on your path, you may lack the tenacity to overcome them.

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"You better mind your P's and cutes."



"No, you can't hide it under my pillow."

The Family Circus



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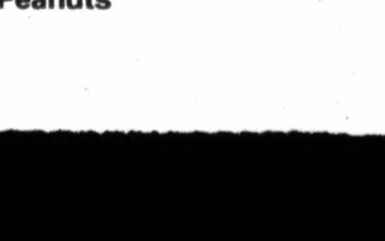
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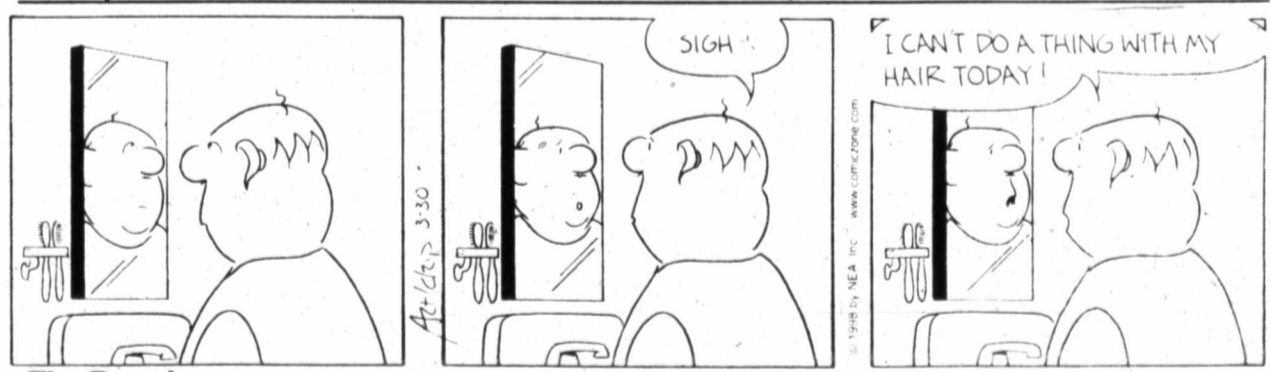
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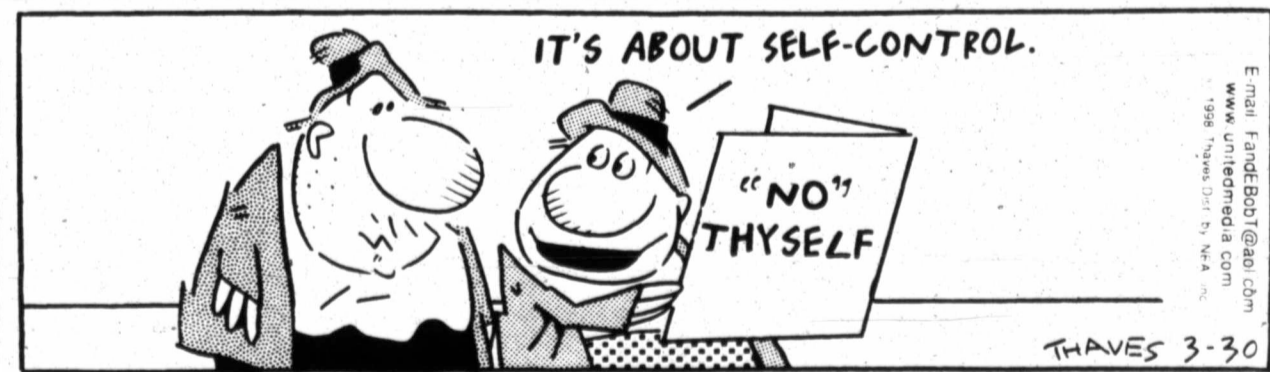
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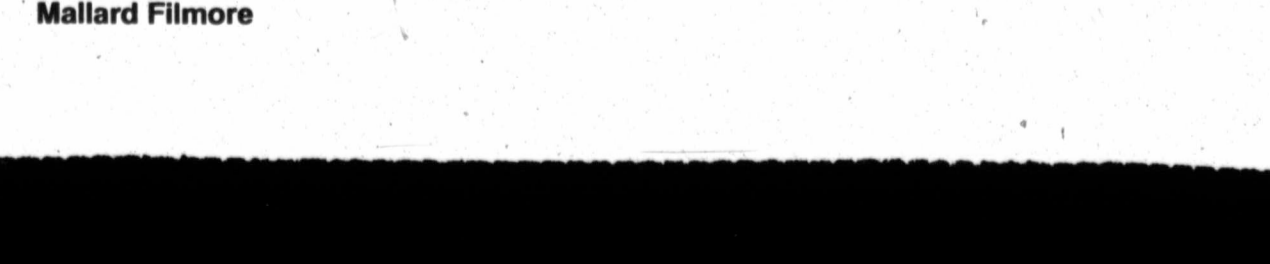
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GOLF

PAMPA — Hidden Hills Senior Golf Association held a four-man scramble last week with 63 players entered in the competition.

Scramble Results
 First place: Bob Young, Harvey Malone, Joe Wheelley, Troy Bennett and B.F. Dorman, 61.
 Second place: Bob Swope, Preston Cox, Bill Harwood and Gene Gates, 62.
 Third place: Buzz Tarpley, Buddy Epperson, Waldon Haynes and Louis Haydon, 63.
 Fourth place: Elmer Wilson, J.T. Lamberson, Bill Brown, Rex Coulter and Gene Winegeart, 63.
 Fifth place: Howard Musgrave, Bill Washington, Ed Langford, Calvin Lacy and Jim Batton, 63.
 Closest to the hole: Elmer Wilson on No. 6.

Richard Abbott had a hole in one on No. 6. Witnesses were Ralph Ridgway and Oscar Sargent.

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Four years ago, Pat Hurst was giving golf lessons in La Quinta, a few miles from Mission Hills Country Club. She wasn't sure she would ever make it on the LPGA tour.

She finally got her tour card on the third try, and now she's finally made it — and big.

Hurst, a former NCAA champion at San Jose State, won the second title of her career Sunday with a 1-shot victory over Helen Dobson in the Nabisco Dinah Shore, the LPGA's first major of the year and arguably its most prestigious tournament.

Now 28, Hurst's path to the Dinah Shore title took her onto the mini-tour and then to La Quinta Country Club as a teaching pro before she got her tour card in the winter of 1994.

BASEBALL-SOFTBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Optimist baseball and softball signups will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 4 at the Optimist Club, 601 E. Craven.

Player's fees are \$35, baseball 6-8 years; softball, 7-9 years; \$55, baseball 9-12 years; softball 10-12 years; \$60, baseball 13-15 years.

Tryouts will be held April 7, 8, 9, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Players not already on a team will need to attend a minimum of two tryouts.

There will be a mandatory coaches meeting April 6, starting at 7 p.m. at the Optimist Club.

The draft will be held April 13-14.

The number of teams currently available per age group are as follows:

Baseball
 6 year olds: 1 team
 7-8 year olds: 4 teams
 9-10 year olds: 5 teams
 11-12 year olds: 6 teams
 13-15 year olds: 5 teams

Softball
 7-9 year old: 1 team
 10-12 year olds: 4 teams

CANYON — Powerhouse Randall shut out Pampa, 15-0, in a District 1-4A baseball opener for the Harvesters Saturday afternoon.

The Harvesters had seven hits and committed only one error, but pitching problems plagued Pampa throughout the game.

"We walked or hit 10 batters. Randall had nine hits, so we had a lot of baserunners to deal with," said Pampa coach Dennis Doughty.

Kaleb Snelgroves had two hits in three times at bat to lead the Harvesters.

Pampa, 4-12 overall, hosts Dumas at 4:30 Tuesday afternoon in more district action.

Randall is 2-0 in district play and 9-5-1 for the season.

Harvesters take second at Caprock tourney

AMARILLO — The Pampa High School varsity tennis team placed second at the Caprock Invitational last weekend.

Senior McKinley Quarles and sophomore Emily Curtis claimed their second tournament girls' doubles title of the spring, improving their record to 15-2.

Junior Mandy Wells took second in the girls' singles draw in moving her record to 32-4.

Senior Jason Vickery had the boys' team's highest finish by placing fourth in the singles bracket. Vickery's singles record is 20-11.

The team next plays in the Pampa Invitational Friday and Saturday at the PHS courts.

Players of the week are Curtis and senior Brandon Coffee.

Results from the Caprock Invitational are as follows:

Team standings (Girls points-Boys points-Total): 1. Borger 52-48-

100; 2. Pampa 52-41-93; 3. Canyon 27-47-74; 4. Caprock 32-37-69; 5. Levelland 23-36-59; 6. Nazareth 36-18-54; 7. Amarillo High JV 22-19-41; 8. Dimmitt 10-5-15.

Girls doubles
 Emily Curtis-McKinley Quarles: First round: def. Flue-Sealock (B) 6-2, 6-0; Quarterfinals: def. Carthel-Franklin (C), 6-3, 6-4; Semifinals: def. K. Gerber-Pohlmeier (N), 7-5, 6-1; Finals: def. E. Carlile-Lowder (B), 6-2, 6-0.

Valerie Lee-Kellen Waters: First round: def. Aleman-Allison (Cap), 6-0, 6-0; Quarterfinals: def. Palmer-Polk (L), 6-4, 6-1; Semifinals: lost to E. Carlile-Lowder (B), 6-2, 6-4; Third place: def. K. Gerber-Pohlmeier (N), 6-3, 4-6, 6-0.

Girls singles
 Mandy Wells — First round: def. Rachel Harmon (D), 6-1, 6-0; Quarterfinals: def. Robertson (N), 6-0, 6-2; Semifinals: def. Maggie

Tennis

Green (B), 6-1, 6-2; Finals: lost to Jennifer Carlile (B), 4-6, 7-5, 6-1.

Andrea Abbe — First round: lost to Shawna Gerber (N), 6-1, 6-2; Second round: lost to Alexis Murillo (L), 6-4, 6-3; Third round: def. Kaci Schulte (D), 6-2, 6-4; 13th place: def. Stacy Shelton (L), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

Boys doubles
 Brandon Coffee-Bryce Hudson: First round: def. Hernandez-Loerwald (Cap), 6-0, 6-2; Quarterfinals: lost to Jones-W. Manhkhong (Cap), 7-5, 6-2; Third round: def. Hoadley-Phelps (Cap), 6-4, 6-4; Fifth place: def. Hughes-Trahern (B), 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Michael Cornelison-Matt Rains: First round: lost to B. Manhkhong-Nickson (C), 6-1, 4-6, 6-4; Second round: def. Daniels-Mendez (Cap), 6-1, 6-0; Third round: def.

Burgess-Ragha (Cap), 6-0, 6-2; Eighth place: def. Ewing-Shawhart (A), 6-3, 7-5.

Boys singles
 Jason Vickery — First round: def. Trent Cardwell (L), 6-3, 6-3; Quarterfinals: def. Austin Baird (A) 6-3, 6-1; Semifinals: lost to Sam McCause (C), 6-4, 6-1; Third place: lost to James Hyde (Cap), 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.

Dustin Laycock — First round: def. Matthew Kern (N), 7-5, 6-1; Quarterfinals: lost to Greg Thompson (B), 6-1, 6-4; Third round: def. Parker Payne (L), 6-3, 2-6, 6-4; Fifth place: lost to Dru Garcia (Cap), 6-4, 6-3.

Pampa High also sent a squad to the Perryton Lions Club Tournament this past Saturday and easily claimed first place with 105 points.

Junior Russ DuBose and sophomore James Roach each reached

the singles finals by winning three matches each. DuBose is 23-10 and Roach is 1-0 in singles competition.

Sophomores Jeremy Nicholas and Kerry Turner finished second in boys doubles.

Sophomore Helen Orr and freshman Celeste Stowers each reached the fifth-place girls singles match. Orr has a 4-3 record in singles while Stowers is 2-0.

The duos of senior Kimberlee McKandles-sophomore Jennifer Muns and sophomores Kimberly Cory-Rebekah Warner reached the girls' doubles semis before falling.

The team order of finish was as follows: 1. Pampa; 2. Booker; 3. Dumas; 4. Altus, Okla.; 5. Borger; 6. White Deer; 7. Perryton; 8. Liberal, Kan.; 9. Texline.

The junior varsity will play Tuesday in the Pampa JV Tournament at the PHS courts.

Pampa girls claim Hereford Invitational

HEREFORD — The Pampa High School girls golf team had a two-round total of 667 to win the Hereford Invitational last weekend.

Melissa Gindorf led the Lady Harvesters with a two-round 157 and also claimed medalist honors for the tournament. Gindorf had an 82 the first day, but came back with a second round of 75.

Gindorf's teammate Shelbie Allison was second medalist with a 158.

Other Pampa scores were Alison Piersall 171, Cortnie Allison 181 and Maggie Cowan 206.

Second-place Hereford was a distant 86 strokes behind the Lady Harvesters.

Pampa finished third in the boys division with a 648.

Nathan Banner and Matt Heasley each shot 161 to pace the Harvesters. Grady Locknane and Barry Brauchi each had 163 and Jordan Fruge had 173.

Pampa's first round of district play for both boys and girls is scheduled Thursday at Hereford.

you have experience in doing something, you're going to try to draw upon that experience."

Leonard was five strokes back at the Kemper Open, where he closed with a 67 and won when Mark Wiebe three-putted the last two greens. And he was five strokes back of Jesper Parnevik at the British Open, where he closed with a 65.

In both cases, Leonard needed a little help from those in front. But when the tournament was on the line, Leonard was at his best.

"Sometimes, you get so involved in shooting low that you forget about winning the tournament," he said.

Actually, he had his eyes on the leaderboard for most of the steamy, sunny day in north Florida.

Janzen, 10-under for the tournament when the final round started, missed the first four fairways and dropped two strokes. He finished with a 79.

That left a three-way battle among Leonard, Day and Mattiace.

Golf

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PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Put that rivalry between Tiger Woods and Ernie Els on hold. Dallas native Justin Leonard proved once again that when the stakes are high and the conditions are tough, he can be as good as anyone.

One week after Els got the best of Woods at Bay Hill in a battle between young major winners, Leonard won The Players Championship on Sunday with a final round that stirred memories of his victory at the British Open.

It was at Royal Troon where Leonard became the third player in his 20s to win a major championship in 1997, joining Woods (Masters) and Els (U.S. Open).

And it was there that Leonard relied on a hot putter to come from five strokes behind to win on the final day.

"I thought a little bit about it," Leonard, 25, said of the British Open. "On a very difficult golf course such as this, three or four or five shots is not safe."

And as he proved Sunday on a Stadium Course that took its toll on so many others, the leaders are never safe whenever Leonard is lurking.

Still three strokes behind when he made the turn, Leonard one-putted the first six greens on the back nine to win going away. He got some help from Len Mattiace, who put two in the water on the island-green at No. 17 for a quintuple-bogey 8.

Leonard closed with a 67 to finish at 10-under 278 and a two-stroke victory over Tom Lehman and Glen Day. He won the richest prize on the PGA Tour, \$720,000 from a purse of \$4 million.

Woods closed with a 72 and tied for 35th, while John Daly had a 69 and was tied for 16th.

"I've been in this position a couple of times and been able to come out and play well," Leonard said. "Anytime I think

"I was very aware what was going on, that Len was playing well up ahead of me, that Glen was right behind me," Leonard said. "I just felt that it would really come down to those last three or four holes."

All three were tied at 9-under when Leonard saved par from 40 yards off the green on No. 12. Mattiace couldn't make par from a greenside bunker at No. 13, and Day made bogey from the rough on No. 10.

Leonard curled in a 20-foot putt on No. 13, rammed a 30-footer into the rear of the cup on the next hole and saved par with a testy 4-footer on the 15th. Mattiace pulled within one stroke by making birdie at about the same time on the par-5 16th.

The tournament was sealed on one of the most famous holes in golf, the island green at the par-3 17th.

Matiace airmailed his 9-iron over the green, hit his third shot into the bunker and then bladed that into the water, too.

"I can't believe what I did," Mattiace said. "It's hard to take that I did that after working all tournament to get myself into position."

Leonard looked over to see Mattiace blast into the water, not realizing that was his second time in.

"I knew he was having a rough hole," Leonard said.

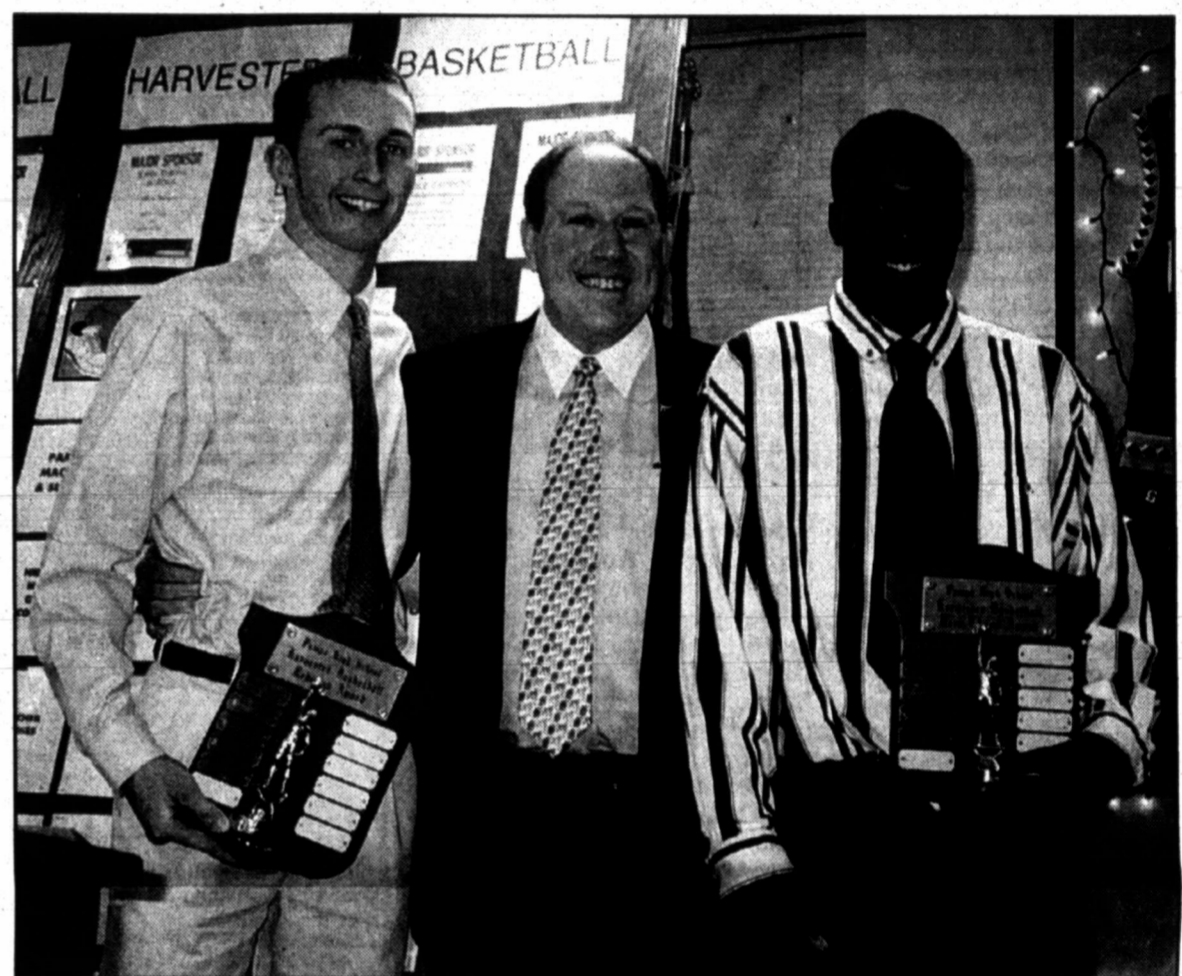
That made the final three holes a lot smoother for Leonard, who now goes to Augusta with a new measure of confidence.

Leonard had an outstanding record in the majors last year — tied for seventh at the Masters, 36th at the U.S. Open and runner-up to Davis Love III at the PGA Championship.

His game doesn't seem particularly suited for Augusta, although a new workout plan has added surprising length from the tee.

And if Leonard is five strokes back going into Sunday, look out.

Basketball banquet



Pampa boys basketball coach Robert Hale is flanked by Harvester players Tyson Alexander (left) and Shawn Young during last week's Harvester Basketball Banquet. Young, a junior, won both the free throw and rebounding awards. Alexander was one of the senior leaders on the team.

Tennessee completes three-peat for women's NCAA championship

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Tennessee left no question. Not a shred of doubt.

The Lady Vols didn't stumble into their third straight national championship and their sixth overall, both NCAA records. They didn't lumber through the game that would be the deciding performance in a claim to the title, "best team ever."

The Lady Volunteers just didn't give Louisiana Tech a chance.

Jump-started by national player of the year Chamique Holdsclaw, Tennessee opened a 21-point lead before the game was 10 minutes old on the way to a convincing 93-75 victory Sunday night.

"That's the greatest women's basketball team that I, personally, have ever seen," Tech coach Leon Barmore said. "They've earned it."

They certainly did.

The Lady Vols (39-0) finished the third perfect season in NCAA history with their 45th consecutive win, and they did it convincingly.

It started with Holdsclaw, who scored 12 of her 25 points in the opening 6:39 as Tennessee jumped to a 21-8 lead. But it didn't end there.

Tamika Catchings, one of the Lady Vols' four impressive freshmen, muscled her way to 27 points, and junior Kellie Jolly bombarded the Lady Techsters (31-4) with four 3-pointers on just five attempts on the way to a career-high 20 points.

Tennessee was relentless and, at least in the first half, as close to perfect as a team can be as it took a 55-32 lead into the second half against a team many believed

might be capable of an upset.

"I can tell you it's the quickest (team), the best defensive team I've coached and the best transition team overall that I've coached," said Tennessee coach Pat Summitt, whose six titles — all since 1987 — are topped in NCAA history only by the 10 of former UCLA men's coach John Wooden. "I also can tell you it's a team unlike any that I've coached in terms of their competitiveness and their will to win."

"A lot of players say they want to win. But this team, their preparation was tremendous."

So was their performance.

The Lady Vols won by fewer than 10 points only three times this season, and the average margin in their six tournament games was 28. On Sunday, they dismantled a Tech team that featured a talented — if undersized — starting five.

Playing in its ninth Final Four and seeking its third NCAA title, Tech had just two starters over 5-foot-9, a sharp contrast to Tennessee, which had only one player on its roster under 5-9. But because of their tremendous quickness, the Lady Techsters seemed to be a good match for the pressing, swarming Lady Vols.

"We knew what we had to do, and there's too many times we didn't get it done," said sophomore guard Tamicha Jackson, who led Tech with 26 points. "We knew we had to handle their pressure. Their full-court press — it's hard to come up against a great ball club like that."

After Alisa Burras' third basket of the game pulled Tech to 8-6 in the opening minutes, Tennessee roared off on a 15-2 run to take

control. Holdsclaw, who earned her second straight Final Four MVP award, did it almost by herself.

She scored on a layup to make it 12-6, then, after Jackson shot an air ball, Holdsclaw fed Jolly for a 3-pointer. Following a timeout, Holdsclaw hit three straight shots to make it 21-8, and the rout was on.

"That's what coach expects me to do, is come out with a lot of intensity," said Holdsclaw, who now has won seven straight titles dating to her freshman year at New York City's Christ the King High School. "She told me my role before the postseason started, and stressed it throughout, to look to get the ball up. Once I get it up, it filters through the team, and everyone else goes out and starts making plays."

Holdsclaw finished seven points short of former Tennessee star Bridgette Gordan's career tournament scoring record of 388 points. There had been speculation that Holdsclaw might give up her senior season and become the first woman to leave college early for one of the two new professional leagues.

But she announced immediately after the game that she would return for her senior season. So will all of the other Lady Vols except little-used senior guard Laurie Milligan.

There appears to be no end in sight for the dynasty Summitt has built, and the only question in women's basketball at this time next year could be whether that Tennessee team or this one is the best ever assembled.

"You know what?" Holdsclaw said. "Next year's team will be the best ever."

White bass leads anglers to prime fishing locations

HOUSTON — The best thing about white bass is the places they lead you in spring.

Sometime in late winter, whites begin leaving the lakes where they spend most of the year. The deep-bodied, silver-and-black fish find the rivers or creeks that feed the big, drab, featureless reservoirs, point their underslung jaws into the moving current and head upstream.

Once in the waterways, they collect into big schools when they stop to rest here and there along the way, usually in a deep hole or a still eddy. And they can move amazing distances, sometimes 50 miles or more upstream from their home lake. They're looking for something—a place they'll know when they reach it.

When they get there, they gather in thick concentrations waiting for whatever moon phase, length of daylight, water temperature or other phenomenon triggers the next act in their annual ritual.

On some natural cue, a big female detaches from the group, moves near the surface and finds herself attended by a group of smaller males. The lady begins expelling the yellow-orange eggs—as many as 1 million of them in a two-pound white—while the males circle in the current, releasing their milt to fertilize the eggs.

Other white bass join the dance until billions of fertilized eggs drift to the bottom, their viscous covering sticking them to drowned trees or rocks or gravel.

In a couple of days, the eggs hatch and the fry find themselves carried by current, headed downstream and bound for the reservoir whence their parents came and to which the older fish returned after completing the rite of procreation.

It's those places where the adult white bass gather on their trip, and the concentrations in which they collect, that makes fishing for them such a tantalizing quest. Texas anglers can find few more quietly beautiful or outrageously productive spots than the rivers and streams into which white bass pack on their spring runs.

The Trinity River was blowing high and muddy a week ago, a constant stream of deadfalls, limbs, boards, trash and other flood-carried debris snaking in the seams of ugly brown current.

Terry Burns practiced hand maneuvered the aluminum flat-bottom through the obstacles and into the mouth of a creek feeding the river.

"They were in here last week," he said. "We caught two limits in an hour. It was wild."

We were a few miles from the old Lock and Dam on the Trinity between Crockett and Centerville. Constructed early this century as part of a rightfully doomed boondoggle aimed at turning the Trinity into a barge canal from Dallas to the bay, the concrete Lock and Dam would be all but

ignored if not for white bass.

But from January through March, when the white bass are running, the Lock and Dam comes alive. Located maybe 50 river miles upstream from Lake Livingston, it's one of those places hordes of white bass often gather on their annual upstream migration.

Burns and his brother, Joe, watch the scene from a bluff above the old structure. They run P.T.'s Bait House, a modest concession in the Leon County Park on the west side of the river.

Through most of the year, the park's one of those places frequented almost exclusively by locals hoping to catch one of the Trinity's abundant catfish. But in the winter and spring, when the white bass exit Livingston and head upstream, the park takes on another face. Campers show up to use the RV hookups. And the Burns brothers do a steady, if not quite-brisk, business selling bait, renting aluminum boats and operating an ingenious tram that, for a \$10 fee, will launch and retrieve a canoe or flat-bottom down the otherwise impassable steep bank.

If winter and early spring are dry and the Trinity stays low and green, white bass stack up in unimaginable heaps in the eddy created by the low-water dam, in deep holes downstream, at the base of shoals and riffles and off the edges of the numerous sand bars. And anglers can either fish from the sandy banks and pluck fish from the river, or use boats to plumb the holes and sand bars to mine the rich, seemingly bottomless vein of silver fish.

It's much the same in other rivers in East Texas—the San Jacinto, Sabine, Neches, Angelina and Sulphur. And maybe even more so in Central Texas, where whites pile out of reservoirs and into the Colorado, Pedernales, San Gabriel, Llano, Guadalupe and Brazos, and heading to the river to fish for white bass is as much a rite of spring as driving the Willow City Loop to see the bluebonnets.

But this has NOT been a dry winter and spring, nor has it been typical in other ways.

The white-bass run in East Texas usually kicks off in January, peaks in February and tapers off to near nothing by the end of March.

In Central Texas, the spring run is a bit later, starting in earnest sometime in February, peaking in March and petering out by April's close.

In both regions, the 1998 run appears to be running a little behind schedule.

As with almost every other glitch in natural rhythms, real or perceived, over the past several months, El Nino gets fingered with the blame.

The kink in weather patterns produced heavy, regular rains in Texas for the past few months, and that has impacted this year's white-bass fishing, observers say.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

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Princeton 69, UNLV 57
Michigan State 83, Eastern Michigan 71
At The MCI Center
Washington
Washington 69, Xavier 68
Richmond 62, South Carolina 61
Indiana 94, Oklahoma 87, OT
Connecticut 93, Fairfield Dickinson 85

Second Round
Saturday, March 14
At The Hartford Civic Center
Hartford, Conn.
North Carolina 93, North Carolina Charlotte 83, OT
Michigan State 74, Princeton 56
At The MCI Center
Washington
Washington 81, Richmond 66
Connecticut 78, Indiana 68
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 19
North Carolina 73, Michigan State 58
Connecticut 75, Washington 74

Regional Championship
Saturday, March 21
North Carolina 75, Connecticut 64

SOUTH REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 13
At Rupp Arena
Lexington, Ky.
Syracuse 63, Iowa 61
New Mexico 79, Butler 62
Oklahoma State 74, George Washington 59
Duke 99, Radford 63
At The Georgia Dome
Atlanta
Kentucky 82, South Carolina State 67
Saint Louis 51, Massachusetts 46
Saint Louis 80, Davidson 61
UCLA 65, Miami 62

Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At Rupp Arena
Lexington, Ky.
Duke 79, Oklahoma State 73
Syracuse 56, New Mexico 46
At The Georgia Dome
Atlanta
Kentucky 88, Saint Louis 61
UCLA 85, Michigan 82
Indiana 90, Florida 58
St. Petersburg, Fla.
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 20
Duke 80, Syracuse 67
Kentucky 94, UCLA 68

Regional Championship
Sunday, March 22
Kentucky 86, Duke 84

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 13
At The Myriad
Oklahoma City
Oklahoma City 83, Mississippi 69
Florida State 96, Texas Christian 87
Rhode Island 97, Murray State 74
Kansas 110, Prairie View 52
At The United Center
Chicago
Western Michigan 75, Clemson 72
Stanford 67, College of Charleston 57
Purdue 95, Delaware 56
Detroit 66, St. John's 64

Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At The Myriad
Oklahoma City
Valparaiso 83, Florida State 77
Rhode Island 80, Kansas 75
At The United Center
Chicago
Stanford 83, Western Michigan 65
Purdue 80, Detroit 65
At The Kiel Center
St. Louis
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 20
Stanford 67, Purdue 59
Rhode Island 74, Valparaiso 68

Regional Championship
Sunday, March 22
Stanford 79, Rhode Island 77

WEST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 12
At Arco Arena
Sacramento, Calif.
Maryland 82, Utah State 61
Illinois 64, South Alabama 58
Illinois State 82, Tennessee 81, OT
Arizona 99, Nicholls State 60

At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
West Virginia 82, Temple 52
Cincinnati 85, Northern Arizona 62
Utah 85, San Francisco 68
Arkansas 74, Nebraska 65

Second Round

Saturday, March 14
At Arco Arena
Sacramento, Calif.
Maryland 87, Illinois 61
Arizona 82, Illinois State 49
At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
West Virginia 75, Cincinnati 74
Utah 75, Arkansas 69
At Arrowhead Pond
Anaheim, Calif.
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 19
Utah 65, West Virginia 62
Arizona 87, Maryland 79

Regional Championship
Saturday, March 21
Utah 76, Arizona 51

THE FINAL FOUR
At The Alamodome
San Antonio
National Semifinals
Saturday, March 28
Kentucky 86, Stanford 85, OT
Utah 65, North Carolina 59
National Championship
Monday, March 30
Kentucky (34-4) vs. Utah (30-3), 9:18 p.m.

Saturday's NCAA Boxes
By The Associated Press
At San Antonio
KENTUCKY 86, STANFORD 85, OT
STANFORD (30-5)

Sauer 3-4 0-0 8, Madsen 5-6 1-1 11, Young 5-11 0-10, Weems 6-23 2-3 17, Lee 6-12 8-9 26, Mosley 9-3 2-2, Mendez 1-4 0-0 3, Jar. Collins 1-3 5-7, McDonald 0-1 0-0 0, Van Elsland 0-1 1-2, Seaton 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-68 20-24 85.

KENTUCKY (34-4)

Edwards 4-10 2-3 11, Padgett 2-8 6-6 10, Mohammed 7-14 4-6 18, Turner 2-9 4-8 4, Sheppard 9-15 5-7 27, Evans 2-7 0-0 8, Maguire 2-3 2-2 6, Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Mills 1-1 0-0 2, Bradley 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-67 23-33 86.

Hallilime—Stanford 37, Kentucky 32. End of Regulation—Stanford 73, Kentucky 73. 3-Point goals—Stanford 11-28 (Lee 5-8, Weems 3-11, Sauer 2-3, Mendez 1-4, Mosley 0-2), Kentucky 5-15 (Sheppard 4-8, Edwards 1-2, Evans 0-2, Padgett 0-3). Fouled out—Madsen, Young. Rebounds—Stanford 45 (Madsen 16), Kentucky 40 (Padgett, Evans, Sheppard 6). Assists—Stanford 13 (Lee 5), Kentucky 16 (Turner, Sheppard 4). Total fouls—Stanford 23, Kentucky 22. A—40,590.

UTAH 85, NORTH CAROLINA 59
UTAH (30-3)

Mottola 2-9 4-6 9, Jensen 3-4 0-0 7, Doleac 6-11 4-7 16, Miller 7-15 2-7 16, Hansen 1-1 2-2 5, Jackson 0-2 0-0 0, McTavish 1-2 0-0 3, Johnson 3-7 0-0 7, Calton 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 24-54 12-22 65.

NORTH CAROLINA (34-4)

Okulaja 3-8 0-0 7, Jamison 7-19 0-2 14, Ndiaye 0-3 0-2 0, Cota 4-9 0-0 8, Carter 10-16 0-1 21, Sha-Williams 2-12 2-2 7, Hayward 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 27-69 2-7 59.

Halltime—Utah 35, North Carolina 22. 3-Point goals—Utah 5-17 (Jensen 1-1, Hansen 1-1, McTavish 1-2, Johnson 1-2, Mottola 1-4), North Carolina 3-23 (Carter 1-4, Okulaja 1-5, Sha Williams 1-9, Jamison 0-1, Cota 0-4). Fouled out—Ndiaye. Rebounds—Utah 39 (Miller 14), North Carolina 42 (Jamison 12). Assists—Utah 14 (Miller 7), North Carolina 14 (Cota 7). Total fouls—Utah 15, North Carolina 19. A—40,590.

BASEBALL
(Season starts March 31)
National League
At A Glance
By The Associated Press
All Times EST

East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	0	0.000	—
Florida	0	0.000	—
Montreal	0	0.000	—
New York	0	0.000	—
Philadelphia	0	0.000	—

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	0	0.000	—
Cincinnati	0	0.000	—
Houston	0	0.000	—
Milwaukee	0	0.000	—
Pittsburgh	0	0.000	—
St. Louis	0	0.000	—

West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	0	0.000	—
Colorado	0	0.000	—
Los Angeles	0	0.000	—
San Diego	0	0.000	—
San Francisco	0	0.000	—

Tuesday's Games
Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets, 1:40 p.m.
San Diego at Cincinnati, 2:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Atlanta, 4:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Florida, 4:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 5 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Pittsburgh at Montreal, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Florida, 7:05 p.m.
San Diego at Cincinnati, 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.

American League
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East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	0	0.000	—
Boston	0	0.000	—
New York	0	0.000	—
Tampa Bay	0	0.000	—
Toronto	0	0.000	—

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	0	0.000	—
Cleveland	0	0.000	—
Detroit	0	0.000	—
Kansas City	0	0.000	—
Minnesota	0	0.000	—

West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Anaheim	0	0.000	—
Oakland	0	0.000	—
Seattle	0	0.000	—
Texas	0	0.000	—

Tuesday's Games
Chicago White Sox at Texas, 2:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Baltimore, 3:05 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 5 p.m.
Cleveland at Seattle, 7:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Minnesota at Toronto, 7:05 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Baltimore, 10:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Seattle, 10:35 p.m.
Boston at Oakland, 10:35 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Boston at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Minnesota at Toronto, 7:05 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Texas, 8:35 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.

SOCCER
Major League Soccer
At A Glance
All Times EDT

Eastern Conference

W	L	SOW	Pts	GF	GA	
D.C.	2	0	1	7	6	3
Columbus	1	0	3	3	3	3
Miami	0	2	1	1	4	4
New England	0	1	0	0	1	1
NYNJ	0	1	0	0	2	3
Tampa Bay	0	2	0	0	1	3

Western Conference

W	L	SOW	Pts	GF	GA	
Los Angeles	1	0	1	4	6	5
Chicago	1	0	3	2	0	0
Colorado	0	1	1	4	3	3
Dallas	1	0	1	4	2	2
Kansas City	0	1	0	0	2	3
San Jose	0	2	0	0	5	6

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for shootout win and zero points for loss.

Sunday's Games
Los Angeles 3, New York-New Jersey 2
Colorado 3, San Jose 2, SO

Sunday's Games
Dallas 2, Columbus 1
Oriz. 2, New England 1, SO

Saturday, April 4
New England at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
D.C. at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago, 8 p.m.
New York-New Jersey at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Colorado, 9 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS
Weekend Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press

BASEBALL
American League
ANAHEIM ANGELS—Options RHP William VanLandingham and RHP Anthony Chavez to Vancouver of the PCL.
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Reassigned P Doug Johns, P Nerio Rodriguez, C Melvin Rosario, C Charlie Greene, INF P.J. Forbes, INF Ryan Minor and OF Jesus Tavarez to their minor-league camp. Purchased the contract of SS Orie Guillen from Rochester of the International League.
TEXAS RANGERS—Options OF Warren Newson to Oklahoma of the PCL. Acquired C Chris Tremie from Philadelphia for future considerations. Announced the retirement of RHP Jose Guzman.

National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Options C Damian Miller and OF Hensley Meulens to Tucson of the PCL. Placed INF Andy Stankiewicz on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to March 21.
ATLANTA BRAVES—Options 1B Randall Simon and P Paul Byrd to Richmond of the International League. Reassigned C Marcus Hanel, C Fausto Tejero, INF Marty Malloy, INF Ray Holbert and P Rudy Seanez to their minor-league camp. Placed RHP John Smoltz on the 15-day disabled list and LHP Pedro Bobon on the 60-day disabled list. Purchased the contracts of INF Rafael Belliard, RHP Adam Butler, RHP Dennis Martinez and OF

Scoreboard

Colorado at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at St. Louis, 1:40 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Florida, 4:30 p.m.
San Diego at Cincinnati, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets, 7:40 p.m.
Milwaukee at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
At A Glance
By The Associated Press
All Times EST

East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	0	0.000	—
Boston	0	0.000	—
New York	0	0.000	—
Tampa Bay	0	0.000	—
Toronto	0	0.000	—

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	0	0.000	—
Cleveland	0	0.000	—
Detroit	0	0.000	—
Kansas City	0	0.000	—
Minnesota	0	0.000	—

West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Anaheim	0	0.000	—
Oakland	0	0.000	—
Seattle	0	0.000	—
Texas	0	0.000	—

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Cleveland at Seattle, 10:35 p.m.
Boston at Oakland, 10:35 p.m.

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Detroit at Tampa Bay, 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Texas, 8:35 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
At A Glance
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Eastern Conference

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Miami	5	21	7.08	—
New York	40	32	5.56	11
Orlando	37	35	5.14	14
New Jersey	36	35	5.07	14.12
Washington	36	36	5.00	15
Boston	31	40	4.37	19.12
Philadelphia	26	45	3.66	24.12

Western Conference

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Chicago	55	17	.764	—
x-Indiana	49	22	.690	5/12
x-Charlotte	45	26	.634	9/12
Atlanta	42	28	.600	12
Cleveland	40	31	.563	14/12
Detroit	34	38	.472	21
Milwaukee	30	41	.423	24.12
Toronto	15	55	.214	39

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Utah	53	17	.757	—
x-San Antonio	49	23	.681	5
x-Minnesota	38	34	.528	16
x-Houston	37	34	.521	16.12
Dallas	18	54	.250	36
Denver	16	55	.225	37.12
Vancouver	9	63	.125	45

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Seattle	53	18	.746	—
x-L.A. Lakers	51	20	.718	2
x-Phoenix	47	25	.653	6/12
x-Portland	40	31	.563	13
Sacramento	26	47	.356	28
L.A. Clippers	16	55	.225	37
Golden State	15	57	.208	38.12

PRO BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
At A Glance
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Eastern Conference

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Miami	5	21	7.08	—
New York	40	32	5.56	11
Orlando	37	35	5.14	14
New Jersey	36	35	5.07	14.12
Washington	36	36	5.00	15
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Mack Brown prepares for first spring grid practice at Texas

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — New Texas football coach Mack Brown has been so consumed with getting the Longhorns program up and running that he hasn't bought a house yet.

"We'll probably find something and move in in July," Brown said. Until then, it's apartment living for the Texas coach, who earns \$750,000 a year, and his wife, Sally, who has a lucrative job heading a real estate company in Chapel Hill, N.C.

"We had forgotten what apartment living was like," Brown said. "When they said, 'Garbage pickup is on Sunday night,' I looked at my wife, who has built all these beautiful houses in Chapel Hill, and said, 'Bless you, Sweetie.'"

Brown is consumed with getting Texas football back on track. Searching for houses and quality of life come second—for now.

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High-rise residents watch as cab driver is beaten to death

DENVER (AP) — People watched from the safety of their high-rise apartments before dawn Sunday as four men beat a taxi driver to death and dumped his body in the trunk of the cab, investigators said.

"Eyewitnesses saw him being beaten and dragged by his feet and thrown in the trunk, but no one called 911," said Detective Virginia Lopez. "It's disgusting."

The apartment manager said the victim may have been killed over a parking space.

"We've received loud music complaints from that area. People will call the police to complain about loud music, but not to report a murder," Lopez said.

Police arrested one person late Sunday on first-degree murder charges, but Lopez declined to identify the man because of the ongoing investigation.

The driver, Mostapha Maarouf, 27, was working in Denver to send money back to his family in Youssef, Morocco, where he planned to return in July to get married, his friends said.

Police were summoned to the area when the victim's friend called police from a nearby convenience store and said the two were being robbed and beaten by four men. Officers then searched near the apartments for the driver while neighbors watched from their windows, Lopez said.

"They didn't tell police the body was in the trunk," Lopez said.

Only when police went door-to-door did residents start talking — nearly an hour later, Lopez said. The man might have lived if police had found him earlier, she said.

The victim often visited friends at the building and was there early Sunday while he was off duty.

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Woman who killed son, husband dies in Florida's electric chair

By RON WORD
Associated Press Writer

STARKE, Fla. (AP) — Without the worldwide attention and support heaped on the last woman executed in the United States, the 54-year-old woman known as the "Black Widow" was executed in Florida's electric chair Monday for poisoning her husband in 1971.

Former nail salon owner Judy Buenoano also drowned her paralyzed son and tried to kill her fiancé with a car bomb. She was suspected of poisoning a boyfriend in Colorado, but never was charged because she had already been sentenced to death in Florida.

Prosecutors contend she became a killer because she wanted to collect about \$240,000 in insurance money.

She died at 7:13 a.m. after her appeals were exhausted Sunday.

Ms. Buenoano, barely walking and being helped by guards on either side, was brought into the death chamber at 7:02 a.m. Looking small and frail and barely filling the seat of the large oak chair, she was strapped in and asked if she had a final statement.

"No, sir," she answered weakly, squeezing her eyes shut and keeping them shut, not looking at the witnesses on the other side of a glass partition.

The power was turned on at 7:08 a.m. Smoke curled up from

her right leg throughout the 38-second electrocution.

Outside, an unusually large crowd of reporters, far outnumbering death penalty protesters and supporters, waited in the chill dawn outside Florida State Prison.

"It is clearly the biggest contingent that I've seen in the last 6 1/2 years and 13 executions," said Corrections spokesman Gene Morris, who took the post after Ted Bundy was executed in 1989.

Ms. Buenoano was the first woman executed in Florida's electric chair.

The state's last execution of a woman was in 1848, when a freed slave named Celia was hanged for killing her master, who also was her father and the father of her children.

Only two other women have been executed since the U.S. Supreme Court lifted the ban on the death penalty in 1976, and both were by injection.

In 1984, Velma Barfield was executed by North Carolina for poisoning her boyfriend. Last month, Texas put Karla Faye Tucker to death for a double-pickax murder.

It had been 41 years since a woman was executed by electrocution in the United States. Rhonda Belle Martin was put to death on Oct. 11, 1957, in Alabama for poisoning her mother, three daughters and two husbands.

In her final days, Ms. Buenoano crocheted blankets and baby clothes in prison and said she wanted to be remembered as a good mother. She continued to deny killing her husband and boyfriend and adamantly maintained her son's drowning was an accident.

"Seeing the face of Jesus, that's what I think about," she recently told a Florida television station. "I'm ready to go home."

Until she tried to kill her fiancé, John Gentry, in 1983 by bombing his car in Pensacola, Ms. Buenoano had not been suspected of the other killings. Gentry said she had given him "vitamins" that made him sick.

When investigators realized Buenoano was Spanish for "goodyear," and learned she had been married to Air Force Sgt. James Goodyear, they exhumed his remains and found he had lethal amounts of arsenic in his body when he died in 1971.

Prosecutors in Colorado found evidence Ms. Buenoano poisoned boyfriend Bobby Joe Morris in Trinidad, Colo., in 1978, but decided not to charge her.

She was convicted of drowning Michael Goodyear, her 19-year-old son, by giving him arsenic — which might have caused his paralysis — and pushing him out of a canoe. Monday would have been his 37th birthday.

On Sunday, the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta and then the U.S.

Supreme Court denied her appeals, which claimed she was innocent and called the electric chair "barbaric ... It belongs in Frankenstein's laboratory."

Florida executed two inmates last week and Daniel Remeta, convicted of killing a convenience store clerk in Ocala during a multistate crime spree is scheduled to be executed on Tuesday.

The state had stopped its executions for a year while a prisoner challenged the constitutionality of the electric chair, where flames shot out of an inmate's mask last year.

After an autopsy report said the prisoner died instantly and did not feel the fire, the state Supreme Court allowed the 75-year-old chair to be used again. There were no flames in last week's executions.

Ms. Buenoano was born in 1943 in Quanah, Texas, a little town 200 miles northwest of Dallas. Her mother died when she was 4 and Ms. Buenoano spent her early years passed among relatives and foster families in Texas and Oklahoma.

When she was about 10 her father remarried and she went to live with him and his new wife in Roswell, N.M. After running away from home, Ms. Buenoano was declared a "child in need of supervision" and placed in a girl's welfare home in Albuquerque, N.M., where she stayed until she graduated from high school.

Despite confession, science may be unable to prove admitted mercy killings

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Science may not be much help proving the case against a hospital worker who admitted suffocating or fatally drugging up to 50 terminally ill patients, an expert said Sunday.

Those methods of killing can leave few signs to show up in an autopsy if the bodies are exhumed.

"It's going to be very difficult," said Dr. Cyril Wecht, a nationally known forensic pathologist who serves as a county medical examiner in Pittsburgh.

He suggested that authorities should take their time and be "very selective" about which body to dig up.

"If you're going to nail this guy, and make sure he's not a kook or a nut or something, one case against him is as good as 50," said Wecht, who has been involved in cases like the JonBenet Ramsey slaying and became famous for disputing the single-bullet theory in the assassination of President Kennedy.

Efren Saldivar, a respiratory therapist, told police in suburban Glendale on March 11 that he committed the mercy killings of 40 to 50 patients at Glendale Adventist Medical Center in the last decade. But police found no independent evidence to back up his claim and released him.

He was fired two days after his confession, his state license was temporarily suspended and he faced an administrative hearing Tuesday on a permanent suspension.

But no criminal charges were pending against him, and police said every aspect of the case is a challenge — including the forensic one.

"It is like a needle in a haystack to identify a specific drug in someone who is deceased," said Sgt. Rick Young, a police spokesman.

By state and federal law, a confession alone isn't sufficient to bring a case.

Concerned family members of patients continued to flood police and the hospital with phone calls as criminal investigators tried to find corroborating evidence that would allow them to arrest and charge Saldivar.

A six-member task force has been combing through hospital records and interviewing staff and patient's relatives in a methodical investigation that police said could take months to complete.

No patient bodies have been exhumed yet but "that's a definite option as the investigation continues," Young said.

Wecht said examining the bodies might not yield evidence, however.

In his confession, Saldivar told police that

he killed some gravely ill patients by giving them surgical drugs that can relax muscles to the point that the victim is unable to breathe.

The drugs, one called Pavulon and the other going by the initials SUCC, break down quickly in the body and may not leave a trace by the time the body is autopsied, Wecht said.

"They both are (nearly gone) in terms of minutes when they are given by injection," he said. "If the person lives for half an hour or an hour or two, almost all is going to be metabolized."

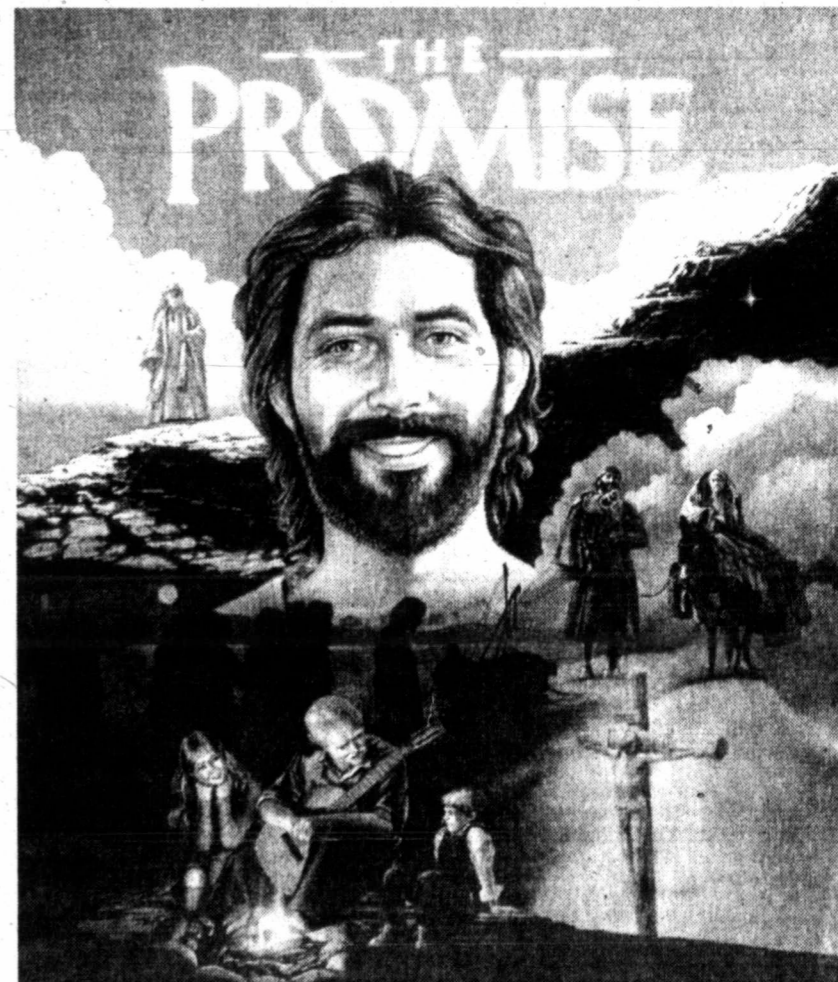
Even signs of the drugs could prove only that the patients underwent surgery — not that they were killed. The drugs are given to help keep a patient still while the surgeon operates.

Saldivar's other admitted method of killing, decreasing the oxygen supply to patients on respirators, is tantamount to the perfect murder: it can't be determined at autopsy, Wecht said.

Adding to the difficulties facing investigators is the likelihood that most of the alleged victims were old and extremely ill with a variety of terminal diseases.

"Who in the hell knows when such people die," Wecht said. "They could die any day anyway."

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