Elder abuse

victim dies;

autopsy set

Columbia Medical Center where she had been on life support. Justice-

of the Peace Margie Prestidge today ordered an autopsy in the case.

Charles Mathis Ashley, 50, are free on \$10,000 bond after being arrest-

The woman's husband, Charles Claude Ashley, 74, and her son,

Pampa police said they were called to the family residence at 707.

E. Frederic by a 911 call about 4 p.m. March 19. The next day officers:

said Adult Protective Services were brought in to assist in the case.

Authorities said at the time that elder abuse cases are handled by the police in a manner similar to child abuse cases. They said that while assault charges were filed, state law makes concessions for any

Mrs. Ashley's body will be taken to Lubbock for an autopsy, Judge

Prestidge said, to determine the cause of death. If the investigation

reveals that she died of injuries suffered in March, charges against

An autopsy was ordered

today in the death of a 72-

year-old Pampa woman

whose husband and son are

charged with aggravated

assault in connection with

injuries the woman suffered

Opal Ashley, 72, died

victim over 65 years old.

By DAVID BOWSER

stance and two counts of burglary.

Sheriff's Lieutenant Jim Scott.

a checkbook had been stolen.

cases in Donley County.

set bond on the possession charge at \$8,000.

Staff Writer

afternoon at

ed and charged March 19 with abuse of the elderly.

her husband and son could be upgraded to murder.

Woman faces

burglary, drug,

forgery charges

A Pampa woman was in Gray County jail today faced with multi-

Shirley Orcutt Jones, 49, of Pampa, was in jail today charged with

Gray County Justice of the Peace Margie Prestidge was expected to

"The cases are still under investigation," said Gray County

Officers said the charges stem from a string of recent reports of

Scott said he became involved after hearing of a burglary in White

About the same time police were investigating a similar case in

As area law enforcement officers began to compare notes, the cir-

cle widened to include investigators from Hansford and Hutchinson

Counties, Spearman and Gruver police departments, the Amarillo

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forged checks and burglaries in Gray, Carson and Donley Counties.

Deer from White Deer and Carson County officers who reported that

Pampa, and Texas Rangers were investigating forgery and burglary

set bond today on each of the two burglary charges. The judge earli-

er set bond for each of the forgery charges at \$7,500. Judge Prestidge

six counts of forgery, one count of possession of a controlled sub-

ple counts of forgery, drug possession and burglary.

Authorities said they expect more charges to be filed.

last month.

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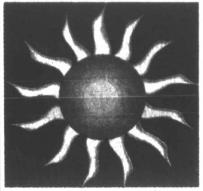
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High today 80. Low tonight 45. For weather details see Page 2.

PAMPA — PHS Seniors and their parents are invited to the "Senior Breakfast" at 7 a.m. tomorrow in the M.K. Brown Heritage Room sponsored by Pampa ISD.

PAMPA — The Gray County Republican Party will canvass votes at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, at headquarters in the Combs-Worley Building on 120 W. Kingsmill, Room 202.

DALLAS (AP) — A 3-yearold girl was beaten, abducted, sexually assaulted and left naked in a creek bed by three boys, ages 7, 8 and 11, police said Monday.

The girl, clubbed with a brick and a shoe, was found bruised and bleeding last week, police said.

"This case has shocked even the detectives who work here," said Lt. Bill Walsh, who supervises the unit that investigates crimes against children.

Children under 10 cannot be held criminally responsible for their actions in Texas, Walsh said.

prosecutors However, expect to use the younger boys, who are brothers, as witnesses against the 11-year-

- Naomi Mae Malone Brown, 52, former employee Mountain Fabrication.
- · James Edwin Carnahan, 74, retired professor at Michigan State University.
- Murel C. Cordes, 97, homemaker, retired nurses aide. • Junior D. Ellis, 70, retired
- pumper from Skelly, Getty and Texaco. • Johnny Weeden, 67, former
- deputy, security employee. • Patricia Kimberlyn "Kim" Wilson, 42, nurses aide.

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Pampa Nursing Center resident Marjorie Triplet enjoys the warmth of a lap blanket presented to her by 4-H members Lori Stephens and Sara Schwab. The girls, along with other 4-Hers (Julie Davenport, Angie Davenport and Jennifer Greer) made the blankets as part of their clothing project.

GOP polls open until 7

The runoff for three GOP races is being held today across the state.

In Pampa Precincts 1, 14, & 15 will be at Travis Elementary School, Precincts 2, 10, & 13 voting is being held in the Gray County Courthouse lobby. Precincts 3, 7, 11, & 12 go to the Horace Mann School Cafeteria Hallway. Precincts 4 & 5 go to the McLean Senior Citizens Center, and Precincts 8&9 vote at Austin Elementary School.

Polls open until 7 p.m.

Cellular phones, youth rehab facility on agenda

Constable Chris Lockridge will discuss cellular phone usage and the court will hear a presentation from the Juvenile Probation Department regarding a potential juvenile rehabilitation facility to be located at the county-owned Lovett Nurses Home during tomorrow's Gray County Commissioners Court session.

Other matters to be addressed include the following:

Court Room on the second floor of the courthouse.

Consider courthouse insurance coverage

• Discuss and take any action necessary concerning repair and black top of roads

• Consider and act upon contract for Emergency Management Services with Texas Department of Health

• Consider and act upon request from J.P. Precinct #1 to place

additional signature on checking account The Wednesday meeting will begin at 9 a.m. in the Gray County

"I get mine in early." — Glen Clemmons



Quite frankly... Tomorrow is income tax day. Have you filed?

them"

— Liz Smith



in as soon as I can get and spends the money, early, I already have my husband to sign We've already gotten it gotten back."

— Gary Gatis



"I'm going to send them "My wife does them "I usually get them in my money back."

— Ivan Gutierrez

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"Not yet. I get them

done but I don't mail

them until the last

— Howard Williams

minute."

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Daily Record

Obituaries

NAOMI MAE MALONE BROWN

FRUITA, Colo. - Naomi Mae Brown, 52, a former Skellytown resident, died April 6, 1998. Services were April 9 in Callahan-Edfast

Mrs. Brown had worked for Mountain West

She was preceded in death by her father, A.R. Malone, in 1983; her mother, Nancy Malone, in 1985; and a brother, Leroy Malone, in 1986.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald; a son, Robert Wallette of Fruita; two stepsons, Ronald A. Brown of Clifton and Darron Brown of Fruita; three sisters, Betty Tate of McLean, Wanda Everson of Pampa and Doretha Richards of Fritch; two brothers, Elmer Malone of Missouri and Graley Malone of White Deer; and three

JAMES EDWIN CARNAHAN

HOLT, Mich - James Edwin Carnahan, 74, a former Miami resident, died Saturday, April 4, 1998, after a lengthy illness. The body was cremated. A private family memorial service was

Mr. Carnahan was born Dec. 18, 1923, at Miami to S.N. and Ada Carnahan. He graduated from high school at Miami in 1941. He married Myra Sheppard on May 5, 1948. He worked for Colorado Highway Patrol for several years prior to moving to Michigan where he received a doctorate in traffic safety and public administration from Michigan State University. He was a professor at MSU. Following retirement, he did research for traffic safety and establishing curriculum for police officer training.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents and

by a brother, S.N. Carnahan Jr. Survivors include his wife, Myra; four daughters, Lilra Kathleen Carnahan of Holt, Linda Francis Lovejoy of Rio Ranch, N.M., Jacquelyn Kay Bohner of Holbrook, Ariz., and Ramona Ardell Williams of Lansing, Mich.; three sisters, Ava Lea Ellzey of Odessa, Ardelle Sirmans of Pampa and Jane Bright of Miami; seven grand-

children; and a great-grandchild. The family requests memorials be to Roberts County Museum.

MUREL C. CORDES

ARAPAHO, Okla. - Murel C. Cordes, 97, died Friday, April 10, 1998. Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Kern-Schneider-Kiesau Memorial Chapel with the Rev. James Robinson officiating.

Mrs. Cordes was born June 24, 1900, at Jerome, Iowa, to Willie and Melissa Milner. She moved to the area with her family as a young child before Oklahoma was granted statehood. She married A.L. Wilson on Aug. 15, 1928, at Arapho; he died in 1954. She married H.W. Cordes on March 10, 1959, at Custer Avenue Baptist Church in Clinton, Okla.; he died in 1980. She had been an Arapaho resident since 1964 and was a home maker and a nurses aide at Oklahoma General Hospital. She was a former member of TOPS and enjoyed quilting and fishing.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Norma Parsons, in August 1997; a stepson, Joe Dick Cordes; a son-in-law, Robert Parsons; and a grandson, Larry Parsons.

Survivors include a stepdaughter, Bertha Ratke; a stepson, Gordon Cordes; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and seven greatgreat-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Diabetes Foundation

JUNIOR D. ELLIS

Junior D. Ellis, 70. of Pampa, died Tuesday, April 14, 1998 Services are

pending under the direction Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr Ellis was born Nov. 20, 1927, at Pampa. He married Norma Jean Ward on July 16, 1947, at Pampa. He retired as a pumper from Skelly, Getty, Texaco after 42 years of ser-

vice. He was an active member of Highland Baptist Church and volunteered at Columbia Medical Center for many years. He was a

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Norma Jean, of the home; three daughters, Vicki Blackmon and Jo Lynn Imel, both of Pampa, and Rita Ellis of Amarillo; a son, Terry D. Ellis of Pampa; three sisters, Mary Crawford of Fontana, Calif., Ruth Litterell of Borger and Sybil Howell of Jasper; 10 grandchildren; and four greatgrandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks, Pampa, TX 79065.

JOHNNY WEEDEN AMARILLO - Johnny Weeden, 67, father of a

Pampa resident, died Saturday, April 11, 1998. No services are planned. The body was cremated and consequently will not be available for viewing. Arrangements were under the direction of Schooler Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Mr. Weeden was born at Wheatland, Okla. He had been an Amarillo resident since he was fourmonths-old, attending Amarillo schools. He married Betty Bailey in 1995 at Amarillo. He worked in the U.S. Marshall's office prior to becoming a deputy with Randall County Sheriff's Department. He was most recently employed with Allstate Security. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, serving from 1950-56.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; a daughter, Sheryl Weeden; a son, John Weeden of Pampa; five stepdaughters, Kim Kendall of California, Pam Davis, Jaime Meyer and Stephanie Rascoe, all of Amarillo, and Brenda Williams of Las Vegas, Nev.; a stepson, Butch Meyer of Amarillo; and 11 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Randall County Sheriff's Department Deputy Bullet Proof Vest Fund, 501 16th Street, Canyon, TX

PATRICIA KIMBERLYN 'KIM' WILSON

DENVER, Colo. - Patricia Kimberlyn "Kim" Wilson, 42, a former longtime Pampa resident, died Tuesday, April 14, 1998. Services are pend-

ing under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa

Mrs. Wilson was born July 18, 1955, at Lubbock. She had been a lifelong Pampa resident, graduating from Pampa High School. She attended Clarendon College Pampa Center. She had been a Denver resident for the past six months. She was a nurses aide and a member of First Baptist Church of Pampa.

Survivors include two sons, Heath Parker of Pampa and Noel Schulz of Boys Ranch; her father and stepmother, Elmer and Phyllis of Pampa; her mother and stepfather, Patricia and John Hartin of Lake Tanglewood; a sister, Kay Russell of Houston; and her grandmother, Drusilla Cosper

Sheriff's Office

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

Monday, April 13 Robert C. Kilcourse, 41, 901 E. Campbell, was arrested on charges of violating probation, dead-

Dory Lee Shorter, 34, 1313 E. Francis, was arrested on charges of failure to appear and

Ambulance

The Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Monday, April 13

9:44 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to

1:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Lefors for mutual aid and transported one to Lifestar. 7:30 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to

Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo. 11:35 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of W. Craven. No one was transported.

Tuesday, April 14 12:14 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of E. Frederic and transported one to

Columbia Medical Center. 12:59 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of E. Francis for fire department assis-

tance. No one was transported. 02:46 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of N. Dwight and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

5:07 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of W. 25th and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at

Monday, April 13 9:43 a.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to the 1000 block of Reid on a grass

10:07 a.m. — Four units and seven personnel responded to the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway on an unintentional alarm.

Tuesday, April 14 12:56 a.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to the 1400 block of E. Francis on a

2:44 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to the 300 block of N. Dwight on a

5:21 a.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to the 1500 W. Kentucky on a false

Stocks

The following grain quo	tations are	Chevron78 13/16	dn 1/16
provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.		Coca-Cola77 1/4	dn 1/2
		Columbia/HCA32 1/4	up 1/2
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Milo	NA	Halliburton49 1/2	up 1/2
Com	NA	IRI11 1/4	
Soybeans	NA	KNE58 [1/16	up 13/16
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Edward Jones & Co. of Par	mpa.	Williams	up 5/16
Amoco	dn 1/2	New York Gold	309.10
Arco 74 11/16	dn 1/16	Silver	6.15
Cabot36 7/8	dn 3/16	West Texas Crude	15.56
Cabot O&G22 3/4	up 3/8		

Calendar of events

PAMPA CHESS CLUB

The Pampa Chess Club meets every Tuesday night at the Coronado Inn at 7 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

TOTS-N-TRAINING

Each Wednesday at the following times and locations listed below you will receive a newsletter and free materials such as books, colors, chalk boards, stickers, and much more that will help you get your child ready for school! For more information call Sue Thorton at 669-

Frank's Thriftway #1, 300 E. Brown, 10 to 11 a.m.; 3 to 4 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Frank's Thriftway #2, 1420 N. Hobart, 10 to 11 a.m. and 3 to 4 p.m.

Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart, 10 to 11 a.m. and 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Community Day Care, 1100 Gwendolyn, 4:30

Goals for Pampa meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 20

10-year plan.

"The last plan was in 1970, and we need to prepare a new plan for the 21st Century," said Janie Shed, planning and zoning commission chairman.

"We are asking citizens to join us in determining the future of our city. It is important for us as a community to develop a vision for future quality growth, development, and living environment to guide Pampa into the 21st. Century," she said.

An open forum meeting has been set for Monday, April 20, at 7 p.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium and citizens are encouraged to attend.

"We need your help in discussing the following issues: economic development, education, intergovernment coordination, health, safety, citizen involvement, recreation, parks, entertainment and cultural affairs, transportation and utilities," Shed ning process.

The City of Pampa has asked the planning and said. This effort is designed to create visionary, zoning commission to prepare a Comprehensive imaginative and challenging goals for our city. We want to ensure that the future of our community offers opportunities for a comfortable standard of living and high quality of life for its citizens."

In addition to the issues identified, citizens will be asked to focus on other issues they believe need

to be identified.

"Pampa is a city which was built on a heritage of strong values and traditions," she said. " The foundation of this heritage is deeply rooted in the resolve of its people. The citizens of Pampa have always been a force in determining the direction of the community.

"Therefore, interested Pampa residents are invited to participate in Goals for Pampa. The more participation in this program, the more we can truly have a community consensus in this strategic plan-

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police department and a field inspector from the Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association.

Officers said a woman, described as being about 5-foot-4 to 5-foot-6 and weighing about 130 to 140 pounds with short blonde hair, would approach a house and knock at the door. If someone answered, she would ask for directions. If no one answered the knock, she apparently would go into the house and steal only checkbooks. She would then write a series of checks within a three or four day period using the stolen checks.

In most instances, police said she gained entry through unlocked doors.

Pampa police officers first began to suspect Jones in the case, officers said, and arrest warrants were issued for her arrest on six counts of forgery.

Gray County sheriffs deputies said Jones was not

at her Pampa home when they went to arrest her, but they saw her driving down the street as they were leaving. Officers said the stopped her and arrested the woman on the outstanding warrants. A search of her car produced what was believed to be items bought with forged checks and a small amount of what appeared to be methamphetamine.

Armed with a search warrant, authorities said they later found items at Jones' house that they believed were also bought with forged checks.

While questioning Jones, Gray County sheriffs deputies said they received complaints from a woman in Hutchinson County concerning checks forged on a Pampa bank. A similar complaint was filed by a Pampa woman. Deputies said they also developed information that a woman answering Iones description had been found in two Gray County homes and a third woman reported that a woman with short blonde hair had tried to break

Cryptographers crack cell phone code

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — It was a challenge a phone. The GSM digital standard is the most trio of computer students and professionals widely used in the world, with more than 79 milcould not resist: proving "tamperproof" digital lion phones in use. cellular phones are actually vulnerable.

Berkeley and a computer cryptologist were able agencies the ability to eavesdrop on telephone to "clone" the phone, allowing them to make conversations, The New York Times reported unauthorized calls from another phone.

"Given the state of the security of other cellular prised," said Ian Goldberg, one of the students. The three looked at the project as a challenge.

USA Today reported the breakthrough on

The amount of time and effort it took to clone the codes makes the digital phone security much did," Briceno said.

System for Mobile Communications, or GSM, but the origins of the GSM system are hazy.

Overcoming the security also revealed a hint After about six hours of work, two graduate that the code may have been intentionally weakstudents at the University of California at ened during its design to allow government today.

Marc Briceno of Smartcard Developers phone systems, I wasn't terribly, terribly sur- Association, who worked with Goldberg and student David Wagner, said the weakened code would let powerful computers available to intelligence agencies decode a voice conversation relatively quickly.

"I can't think of any other reason for what they

more difficult to circumvent than analog cellular For years, the computer industry has been rife phones, which in comparison are easily with rumors about government intrusion or intimidation. Little evidence has ever emerged to The three cracked the codes guarding a Global support such speculation, the Times reported,

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Sunny and windy today with a high of 80 and Southwest winds at 2-30 mph and gusting higher. Clear tonight with a low of 45 and Southwest winds at 10-20 mph. Sunshine and windy tomorrow with a high of 72 and Northwest winds at 20-30 mph

and gusting higher. **REGIONAL FORECAST**

WEST TEXAS — Panhandle Tonight, mostly clear and breezy. Low around 40. Southwest wind 15-25 mph and gusty. Wednesday, mostly sunny and windy. High around 70. West wind 20-30 mph with higher gusts. Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, clear. Lows in the lower 40s to near 50. Wednesday, sunny and windy. Highs 75-80. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight, clear. Lows 45-55. Wednesday, sunny and breezy. Highs 80-85. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, clear. Lows 50-55. Wednesday, sunny and breezy. Highs 80-85. Far West Texas -Tonight, clear. Lows around 50. Wednesday, mostly sunny and windy. Highs in the lower 70s.

lower 90s.

cloudy central and east with a upper 80s Rio Grande plains. slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows 52 northwest to 65 southeast. Wednesday, partly cloudy west. Morning cloudiness cen-78 north to 85 south.

Tonight, becoming cloudy with to mid 40s elsewhere. patchy light rain or drizzle possi-Lows upper 30s to lower 50s. cloudy by midnight. Lows in the 60s to upper 70s.

Wednesday, sunny. Highs 70s to mid 70s coast to near 70 inland. Wednesday, cloudy in the morn-NORTH TEXAS — Tonight, ing, mostly cloudy in the afterpartly cloudy west. Mostly noon. Highs near 80 coast to the **BORDER STATES**

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NEW MEXICO — Wind advisory much of southern New Mexico today. Tonight, variable tral and east then partly cloudy. cloudiness and cooler northwest Windy west and central. Highs with widely scattered showers and snow showers. Fair skies **SOUTH TEXAS** — Hill south and east. Lows 20s to mid Country and South Central 30s mountains and northwest Texas - Tonight, fair evening, with 30s to near 50 south and then cloudy with patchy light east. Wednesday, breezy to rain, drizzle and fog mainly after windy and cooler statewide. midnight. Lows in the mid 60s Partly to mostly cloudy northsouth central to mid 50s north- west third with widely scattered west Hill Country. Wednesday, lowland showers and mountain cloudy with patchy light rain, snow showers. Partly cloudy drizzle and fog in the morning, south and east. Highs mid 40s to partly cloudy in the afternoon. mid 50s mountains and north-Highs in the lower 80s east to west with upper 50s to mid 70s near 90 far west. Southeast Texas elsewhere. Lows teens to low 30s and Upper Texas Coast — mountains and north, upper 20s

OKLAHOMA - Tonight ble. Lows in the mid 60s inland showers and thunderstorms to near 70 coast. Wednesday, likely southeast Oklahoma. A cloudy with patchy light rain, chance of showers and thunderdrizzle and fog in the morning, storms central Oklahoma, mainpartly cloudy in the afternoon. ly before midnight. Lows from Highs in the lower 80s inland to the upper 40s to mid 50s. upper 70s coast. Coastal Bend Wednesday, partly to mostly Guadalupe Mountains/Big and the Rio Grande Plains — cloudy with a slight chance of Bend Area — Tonight, clear. Tonight, becoming mostly showers. Highs from the upper

City briefs

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> ARTS & Crafts Extravaganza, April 25th, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. St Vincents School Gym, Pampa. Booth space available. Deadline for booth rental, April 18th. For info. call 665-5745, 665-4208, 669-3141: Adv.

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Plenty of hard luck stories among su

By KEVIN GALVIN **Associated Press Writer**

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(AP) WASHINGTON President Clinton will be sitting Juan Carlos Wasmosy, whose down with presidents of 33 other Western Hemisphere countries by the end of the week, and many of them probably would be glad to swap their personal problems for

Clinton has been dealing with questions about his sexual behavior, his land investments, his campaign contributions. Some of the leaders at the Summit of the Americas likely would think that's small potatoes compared with their troubles.

Take Colombian President Ernesto Samper, for example, a lame duck heading into his last month in office. He would be delighted to be criticized for something as relatively frivolous as hosting coffee klatches at the presidential palace for big money

Samper's popularity ratings have been stuck in single digits since 1994, when evidence surfaced that he took \$6.1 million in campaign donations from the Cali drug cartel. He's also stuck with a

old rebel insurgency.

In Paraguay, coup rumors are sweeping Asuncion as President administration has been accused of corruption and cronyism, fights to overturn the results of his party's primary.

The government of Gen. Hugo Banzer of Bolivia has threatened to declare a state of siege to end strife in the Chapare coca-producing region and a general strike that has shuttered schools and hospitals.

Hundreds of police and army troops seized control of Chapare, where peasant farmers have been blocking roads to protest Banzer's commitment to eradicate the coca

will arrive at the meeting on a high note. Guatemala President Alvaro Arzu is credited with helping end the country's 36-year civil war in President Carlos Flores Facusse is nothing on some of his Latino

Minister Jean Chretien is highly locked his in.

Despite his troubles, Clinton his wife, Susanna Higuchi, in a

Take Colombian President Ernesto Samper, for example, a lame duck heading into his last month in office. He would be delighted to be criticized for something as relatively frivolous as hosting coffee klatches at the presidential palace for big money donors.

continues to enjoy high job section of the presidential palace approval ratings and the boost of a

blooming economy. Venezuelan President Rafael But Banzer has been reluctant to Caldera hasn't been so lucky. The declare a state of siege. The sum- country sits on the largest reserve lover. mit is supposed to be for democ- of crude oil outside of the Middle East, but those resources haven't To be sure, there are leaders who been enough to produce presidential bliss: A poll in February found that 71 percent of Venezuelans had little confidence in Caldera.

When it comes to the other kind 1996, and new Honduran of domestic affairs, Clinton has promising to move the country counterparts: Argentine President

after she accused him of corruption in 1994. Their divorce was she told reporters he was a lousy term.

Fujimori's job approval ratings seem to go up and down with the sun. Leftist insurgencies were put down by the national police during his tenure, and his popularity hit 67 percent after commandos ended a rebel siege at the Japanese ambassador's residence last year.

sluggish economy and a decades- tion from military rule. And the wife out of the presidential resi- rescuing El Nino flood victims, his government of Canadian Prime dence. Peru's Alberto Fujimori approval rating now is only 48 percent. Analysts attribute his Fujimori was trying to contain troubles to the fact that poverty is still widespread and to his dictatorial manner.

Last year it was revealed that the national intelligence service was routinely wiretapping prominent citizens and journalists. Fujimori's government confiscated a TV station that broadcast some of the

Menem is at the lowest point in his presidency, with approval ratings stuck at 16 percent. Corruption is widespread, and Menem is accused of manipulating the judiciary. Nevertheless, he is trying to persuade the Supreme finalized in 1995, but not before Court to allow him to seek a third

His opponents charge that His domestic dramas aside, Menem is afraid of meeting the same fate as former colleagues Fernando Collor de Melo of Brazil and Carlos Salinas de Gortari of Mexico, who faced charges of corruption after leaving office.

The Salinas legacy is a constant concern for Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo. Zedillo's econom-But even as he dashes from vilic policies are unpopular with the

and recent unrest in Chiapas state have made his administration look weak.

But Zedillo has taken great; pains to restore a measure of dignity to the Mexican presidency, and he responds angrily to any suggestion of personal wrongdoing. Sometimes he goes to

extremes. Zedillo delivered a televised address in 1996 to answer charges that he failed to pay property taxes on a beachside condomini-

Clinton's troubles may still fuel the news at home. But all things; considered, he could be the guy bucking up the spirits of the other



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Elementary teacher honored for reading program

Judy Forister, teacher, Travis Elementary School, has been honored for outstanding performance in reading education by the Institute for Academic Excellence.

Forister was awarded Reading Renaissance Model Classroom Level I Certification by the Madison, Wis., based institute. Model Classroom certification indicates success in adopting Reading Renaissance.

"Judy exemplifies the kind of commitment to the success of every student that is at the heart of effective teaching," Institute President Stuart Udell said in making the award.

Reading receive Renaissance Model Classroom certification, a teacher must demonstrate their students have received a minimum of 60 minutes of reading practice time daily. Teachers must also be actively working with individual students to meet Institute recommended standards for reading achievement.

In addition to national recognition, Travis Elementary will receive a grant of \$100 in recognition of Forister's achievement and will receive a discount on educational staff development opportunities.

The Institute works with educators nationwide to disseminate classroom-proven teaching strategies and techniques. The Institute's Reading Renaissance program is a comprehensive reading improvement strategy that combines computer technology with a regimen of extensive reading practice to rapidly build student reading compre-

Police: Toddler attacked by three young boys

DALLAS (AP) - Even veteran police officers who deal daily with crimes against children were sickened by the assault of a 3-year-old girl. The suspects: three neighbor-

hood boys younger than 11.

The girl, clubbed with a brick and a shoe, was found bruised and bleeding last week. She had been abducted, beaten, sexually assaulted and left naked in a creek bed.

This case has shocked even the detectives who work here," said Lt. Bill Walsh, who supervises the unit that investigates crimes against children.

"On a continuum of offenses, this has got to be among the most horrible. At that age, creek beds should be places to play tag, not commit crimes."

Two brothers, ages 7 and 8, are expected to testify against an 11year-old companion. Children under 10 cannot be held criminally responsible for their actions in Texas, Walsh said.

The 11-year-old, however, was expected to face a charge of delinquent conduct-aggravated sexual assault, which could result in a sentence of up to 40 years, Walsh said. The boy was being held Monday in juvenile custody.

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Opinion

Dismissal of Jones lawsuit likely to be challenged

The dismissal of the lawsuit against Bill Clinton is another example of questionable wisdom on the part of the

Judge Susan Webber Wright, who dismissed the Paula Jones sex harassment lawsuit against the president, has displayed dubious judgment in this case before, and has been accordingly overruled by the U.S. Supreme Court.

It was Wright who in 1994 initially declared that the president could not be subject during his presidency to a private lawsuit based on alleged personal misbehavior dating from before he became chief executive. The Supreme Court disagreed, ruling unanimously that the president, as much as any other American, has to answer to the mechanisms of the law under a normal timetable.

Interestingly, Wright in her original decision had said that fact-finding could go forward, even though a trial couldn't. But after the Supreme Court had rejected that straddle, she ruled crucial fact-finding off-limits for the lones team. She forbade them in recent weeks from probing issues relating to Monica Lewinsky's possible sexual connection with the president and her unusual rise from an unpaid intern to a paying job in the Pentagon and the extraordinary help she later got in seeking private-sector employment.

It boggled the mind that Wright would bar the Jones team from this whole area of inquiry because their case rests in part on a contention that Clinton trades employment and other benefits for sexual favors and metes out punishment for women who refuse him.

The Jones filings are dense with evidence supporting this claim. Dolly Kyle Browning, the Dallas lawyer who claims a long affair with Clinton, testified that he wanted her to move to Washington in 1994. "You can live on the Hill," she quotes him as saying. "I can help you find a job." Gennifer Flowers testified in a deposition that then-Gov. Clinton worked to get her an Arkansas state job under false pretenses. A woman identified in the Jones papers as Jane Doe 2 received an appellate judgeship in Arkansas after an alleged affair with Clinton. The examples go on and on.

As for the plaintiff's experiences, two close friends have said under oath that Jones told them immediately after her meeting with Clinton at Little Rock's Excelsior Hotel, May 8, 1991, that he had exposed himself to her and that she, appalled, had rebuffed him. Iones also offered evidence that she subsequently did not move up as she might have expected on a career track as a state employee.

To be sure, we have argued that sex harassment law as currently structured casts too broad a net and too easily invites judicial meddling in the private workplace. Perhaps the Jones case will cause people on all sides of the issue to rethink the proper parameters of the law.

Nevertheless, the evidence amassed by the Jones team, suggesting abuse of power in the public workplace, along with her own contemporaneous accounts of the alleged indecency by Clinton, would seem to make for a more compelling case than many sex-harassment actions that have been allowed to go for-

Jones' opinion about her own treatment after allegedly spurning her ultimate boss - along with the other claims, perceptions, sworn statements and factual allegations brought forward in her legal case - might all be subject to persuasive counter-evidence in a courtroom. But that's precisely the point. They are, collectively, formidable enough to make for a case to be weighed by a jury, not shut down preemptively by a judge.

We won't be surprised if an appellate court agrees and reinstates Jones's case. Unfortunately, even if that happens, the president will have received a stay of proceedings that the Supreme Court rightly said was not appropriate in a country where even the head of state is merely another citizen.

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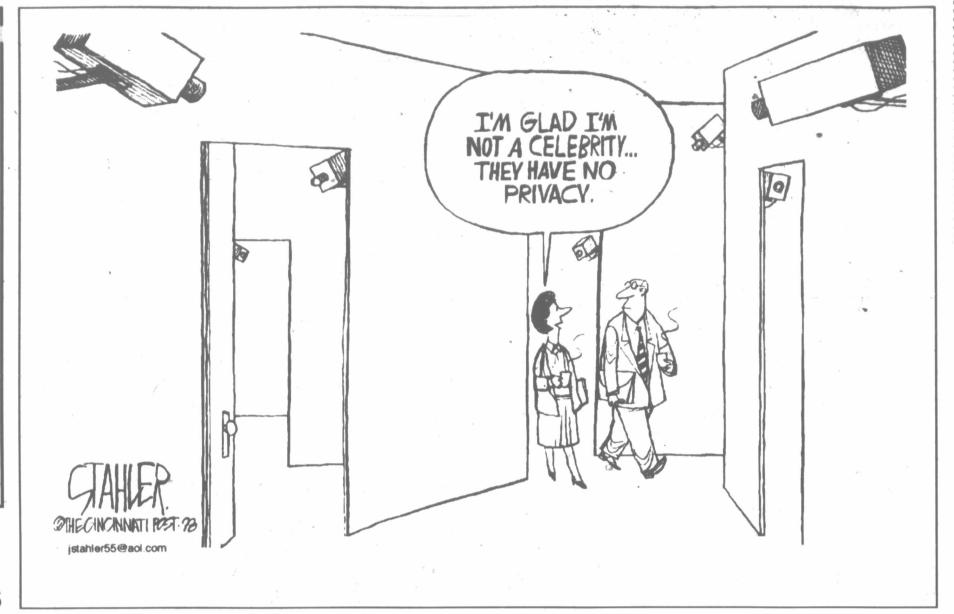
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Have we had enough - yet?

Kaiser Permanente, an Oakland, Calif., health provider, found that the health costs of their obese members were 44 percent higher than the average. Included in the findings, published by Archives of Internal Medicine, severely and moderately overweight people, respectively, had 24 and 17 percent higher rates of hospital visits, hospital stays were 74 and 34 percent longer, and pharmacy costs were 78 and 60 percent higher.

Each year, over 300,000 deaths are attributable to being overweight. Since we Americans have allowed Congress to establish the principle that they can step in to control our lives when a behavior raises health-care costs, you can bet that food regulation is in the offing.

Being overweight is just as avoidable as cigpastries and other fatty foods. So let's have federal and state governments sue food companies to recover health-care costs of overweight

You say: "Hold it, Williams; our politicians wouldn't go that far. Those smelly cigarettes you smoke are one thing, but my beer, potato chips and candy are entirely another matter!" Check this out. Dr. JoAnn E. Mason of Harvard obesity surpasses cigarette smoking as a cause



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of death in this country.

Yale University's Professor Kelley D. Brownell, director of the Center for Eating & Weight Disorders, has proposed that fatty foods and those with little nutritional content no nutritional reason for people to eat candy, not that far fetched to predict congressionally mandated exercise.

You say, "Williams, that is farfetched!" Pretend you're back in the 1960s, when the anti-cigarette people were demanding nowas someone prescient enough to have suggested that giving in to that demand would embolden anti-cigarette people to demand

predictor held up to scorn and ridicule.

It's a good idea for people to watch their diets, exercise and not smoke too much. But if people don't voluntarily do what I think is prudent behavior, should Congress punish them? When Washington's politicians talk about federal steps to reduce smoking, steps to reduce drunk driving or steps to put more teachers in classes, the debate shouldn't be whether these are good or bad ideas. The debate should be: Are those congressional acts permitted by the United States Constitution? If you're not sure about what's permissible, read Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution.

You say, "Williams, what do decent Americans do?" First, recognize that Congress be taxed and "junk" food commercials be reg-does not have enough marshals, or the states arette smoking. So why not tax food, candy ulated. He recommends that the tax proceeds enough police, to enforce every law they write and pastries? Food companies are just as guilty be used to build bike and hiking trails. But if citizens choose not to obey them. The as tobacco companies; they know that there is what if people choose not to bike and hike? It's California legislature banned smoking in bars. Both bar-owners and patrons ignored the law, and bar owners threatened to throw state lottery machines out into the streets. The legislature repealed the ban.

When Congress passed the 55 mph speed smoking sections on airplanes. Suppose there limit, Americans ignored it. Frederic Bastiat, the great 19th century philosopher said, "When law and morality contradict each other, the citizen has the cruel alternative of either bans on smoking in bars, confiscatory taxes losing his moral sense or losing his respect for Medical Schools says, "it won't be long before and tobacco-company suits. Such a prediction the law." That's the dilemma facing us. As for would have been vehemently rejected and the me, I prefer to err on the side of morality.

Today in history

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, April 14, the 104th day of 1998. There are 261

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On April 14th, 1865, President wounded by John Wilkes Booth organized by Benjamin Franklin

died the following morning.) On this date: In 1759, composer George Frideric Handel died

London. In 1775, the first American soci-Lincoln was shot and mortally ety for the abolition of slavery was

while attending the comedy "Our and Benjamin Rush. American Cousin" at Ford's In 1828, the first e In 1828, the first edition of Noah

lished.

In 1902, J.C. Penney opened his first store, in Kemmerer, Wyo. In 1912, the British liner Titanic

collided with an iceberg in the North Atlantic and began sinking. In 1931, King Alfonso XIII of Spain went into exile, and the Spanish Republic was proclaimed. Theater in Washington. (Lincoln Webster's "American Dictionary

of the English Language" was pub- "The Grapes of Wrath" was first published.

In 1968, the Matt Crowley play 'The Boys in the Band" opened in

In 1981, the first test flight of America's first operational space shuttle, the Columbia, ended successfully with a landing at Edwards Air Force Base in In 1939, the John Steinbeck novel California

The children Bill Clinton neglects

We know Bill Clinton cares deeply about children because he tells us so. Hardly a day goes by that he doesn't unveil some new program to improve the lot of the little ones. Just recently, he's been in Africa proclaiming his determination to help even kids living half a world away "because we want to see the light that is in these children's eyes forever, and in the eyes of all other children. Well, maybe not all other children. Back here

in America, hundreds of kids are born every year infected with the virus that causes AIDŚ. The president has the power to take action that would prevent many of these infections and save the lives of a lot of children who have not yet been born. But year after year, he has refused to lift a finger on their behalf.

Once known as a gay men's disease, AIDS is increasingly an affliction of drug users. Every day, 33 Americans are infected with the virus because they use a contaminated syringe to inject themselves with illicit drugs – or because they are the sexual partners or the offspring of someone who did. The most tragic cases are the infants. Between July 1996 and June 1997, 552 babies emerged from the womb already infected by their mothers. Most of the mothers either used drugs intravenously or had sex with a

Hard-hearted types can say that gay men are to blame when they contract AIDS through unsafe sex or that heroin addicts are to blame when they use dirty needles to do something that is against the law. But they can't very well blame newborns for getting the disease. Infants are in no position to take preventive measures. If they're to be spared the virus, someone else has to take preventive measures for them.

The simplest one is a blindingly obvious idea known as needle exchange. AIDS activists have found that if you give drug users access to ster-



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ile syringes, lo and behold, many decide they would really prefer not to risk their lives just to get high. Needle-exchange programs let them agrees trade their old, dirty needles for new, sterile ones, thus preventing the virus from making the jump from one addict to another.

These programs have been around for more than a decade, and a wealth of experience has proven their value. In 1995, a panel of experts commissioned by the National Academy of Sciences concluded that "well-implemented needle-exchange programs can be effective in preventing the spread of HIV and do not increase the use of illegal drugs." Last year, a Health said, "There is no longer any doubt that these programs work.

A 1997 study in Montreal is cited by critics because it found that one needle-exchange program appeared to raise the HIV transmission rate. But the scientists who conducted the study said it should not be interpreted as evithe American Journal of Epidemiology, which published their report, accompanied it with an

doubt. Yet this is how much the federal govern- doing nothing.

ment spends on AIDS prevention every year: \$634 million. And this is how much of the money goes to finance needle exchange: zero.

The law says federal funds cannot be used in these programs – unless the president wants them to. As of April 1, all he has to do is direct his Health and Human Services secretary, Donna Shalala, to certify that needle exchanges slow HIV transmission and do not encourage drug use – to certify, in short, what everybody knows. The president's own advisory council on AIDS recently urged him to lift the ban. White House AIDS adviser Sandra Thurman

But with each new call for him to show some courage, the president has remained in hiding. An HHS spokesman says Shalala is still reviewing the scientific evidence. That makes about as much sense as reviewing who won the 1998 Super Bowl: You can rerun the videotape as many times as you want, but the score always comes out the same. Apparently, her review won't be don until Jan. 20, 2001, at which point it will become somebody else's headache.

Why is the administration stalling? Partly report issued by the National Institutes of because the president doesn't want to give Republicans a chance to portray him as soft on drugs and partly because he doesn't want to have to overrule White House drug czar Barry McCaffrey. Gen. McCaffrey thinks funding needle exchange would give kids the idea that we don't really object to drug use - which is like saying that allowing alcoholics to get treated dence that needle exchange doesn't help. And for liver ailments under Medicaid amounts to an endorsement of drunkenness.

Clinton clearly would like to be remembered editorial saying that what drug users in as the president who did more than any other Montreal need "is not less needle exchange, but to help children. But when it comes to the kids whose lives could have been saved by needle-The issue has been settled beyond serious exchange programs, he will be remembered for

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Administration plan would improve aviation safety

Accompanied by the transportation secretary and the head of the Federal Aviation Administration, Vice President Al Gore today was Joining him were Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater, FAA set to announce at least two steps in that direction: more rigorous Administrator Jane Garvey, officials from the National Aeronautics engine inspections and the mandatory installation of enhanced ground-warning systems within the next three years.

Both would be steps toward a goal of cutting the U.S. fatal accident rate by 80 percent over the next 10 years. Now there is roughly one major accident per 1 million flights, but with the number of passengers in the United States alone expected to increase from 600 million to over 1 billion a year by 2010, the added number of flights could result in six or seven major accidents annually by then.

WASHINGTON (AP) - The United States aviation system already "We are proud that flying is already the safest way to travel. The parts - usually fan blades - can puncture the passenger comparties the safest in the world, but the government wants to make it even steps we are announcing will make the safest skies in the world even ment. safer," Gore was expected to say during a news conference at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

and Space Administration and various labor and airline industry representatives. Slater and Garvey were expected to unveil several other

The two priorities highlighted by Gore would address critical problems in the aviation industry.

With airliners increasingly using two engines instead of three or four to reduce maintenance and fuel costs, simpler, more standardized inspections are needed to ensure the safety of the revolving com-Government officials want to go in the opposite direction, taking ponents, including titanium fan blades. The goal of the inspections the current rate of three to four major accidents per year even lower. will be to reduce uncontained engine failures, in which flying engine months later.

The enhanced ground-proximity indicators, meanwhile, are aimed at a vexing aviation problem: The unintentional flight of an airworthy plane into the ground, The phenomenon, called "controlled flight into terrain," accounted for 25 percent of all commercial airplane accidents worldwide from 1987 to 1996. Those crashes killed 2,396 peo-

The new systems, which some airlines are already installing voluntarily, compare a plane's location to a global database of mountains, while the current system looks down to measure altitude. That makes

it difficult to detect sharply rising mountains and other impediments. The announcement is part of a renewed emphasis on aviation safety that followed the May 1996 ValuJet crash in the Florida Everglades and the explosion of TWA Flight 800 off the New York coast two

State briefs

Former prison chief pleads innocent to kickback charge

HOUSTON (AP) — Former Texas prison chief Andy Collins has pleaded innocent to charges he took thousands of dollars in kickbacks.

Collins rose from prison guard to head of one the state penal system. He resigned his \$120,000-a-year job under fire in 1995 after his dealings with VitaPro Foods, Incorporated, became public.

He entered his plea Monday in Houston.

An indictment handed up on March 30 accuses him of accepting at least \$20,000 to extend by five years VitaPro's lucrative contract with the prison system.

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Law school asks judge to affirm its affiliation with Texas A&M

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston law school has asked a state judge to affirm its affiliation with Texas A&M University.

South Texas College of Law filed its suit Monday in state district court in Austin.

The lawsuit challenges the view of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. That board contends that Texas A&M should have gotten its permission before entering into the public-private affiliation with South Texas in January.

Under the affiliation agreement, South Texas College of Law of Texas A&M University would remain a privately funded institution. But the affiliation with Texas A&M would provide greater name recognition without having to relocate.

A&M would get a law school at no additional expense.

Union Pacific says service has improved along the **Gulf Coast**

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Union Pacific continues to have problems with congestion on its rail lines in Texas, but says things have improved along the coast.

For now, the railroad is focusing on traffic problems that have emerged on its busy central corridor in Nebraska.

Now, Union Pacific says it is trying to clear a snarl near North Platte, Nebraska, the site of one of the world's largest rail yards. Part of the problem is that the railroad diverted locomotives from Nebraska to help clear up the gulf region.

A company official said \$400 million will be spent on improvements to Midwestern rail lines.

New president says UT salaries may cost \$30 million

AUSTIN (AP) — The new president of the University of Texas says his top priorities are making salaries competitive and ensuring that minority students are welcome.

Larry Faulkner says he's gained experience wrestling with the salary issue in his most recent post as provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of

Officials have said faculty at UT's Austin campus should be paid more. Also, top graduate students have been lost to universities that offer more money and free tuition.

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These days it's very difficult to find and retain competent people. The wise employer knows that people do have lives, and those lives do not always neatly compartmentalize into eight-hour blocks.

While some jobs, such as production-line workers, require 100 percent attention at every moment, most jobs simply require that a certain number of tasks be performed well and delivered on time. If workers can accomplish that, there is no reason why they can't be granted some slack to make phone calls, run errands, take extended lunches and work a flexible shift.

Many companies are restructuring their requirements so that productivity is the only thing that counts. Telecommuting, flex-time and other freedoms that were not dreamed of 30 years ago are now encouraged.

As we approach the millennium, companies now have a choice: Be inflexible and autocratic and pay the price in turnover and retraining costs, or structure their needs in such a way as to make the workers feel that they still control their lives. When I managed a graphics shop in the late '80s, I did this and had to fire only one employee for poor performance. Our turnover rate was far below the industry

Abigail Van Buren

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NOW SELF-EMPLOYED, PORTLAND, ORE.

DEAR SELF-EMPLOYED: It will come as no surprise to anyone that I received a barrage of mail from people who thought my answer was wrong. (Only a few readers supported my answer.) Read on for some comments from a personnel

DEAR ABBY: As a supervisor in a large personnel office for 29 years, I have concluded that employees work much better when they can at least partially settle their personal problems by phone. After all, many of those with whom they are communicating work the same hours the employees do.

Working parents often ask their children to check in with them after school. It usually takes only a few minutes. Sometimes spouses must communicate with each other to determine the schedule for the day.

I agree, personal problems should be left at home - but sometimes a phone call can avert a personal problem that could result in lost work time. Like it or not, employees do have lives outside the office and details to take care of.

Usually, other employees in the office will not allow a slacker to take advantage. When someone abuses the privileges to the point that it's unethical or hurting his or her work, management usually hears about it from more than one person.

The workplace should be an area of give-and-take for both employees and employers. If employees have a boss like mine, they will work twice as hard once they hang up the phone, not only because of the boss's understanding, but because they have solved their problem and can then focus completely on their work.
VOICE OF EXPERIENCE, SAN ANTONIO

DEAR VOICE OF EXPERI-ENCE: I bow to your many years of expertise in employee relations. When I said that making calls on company time was a form of theft, I was referring to employees who make frequent, lengthy and often distracting phone calls. It was not intended to chastise employees who do not abuse telephone privileges.



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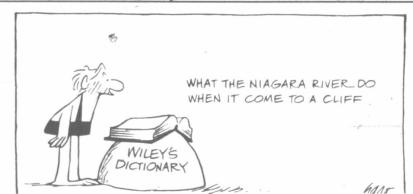






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Wednesday, April 15, 1998

In the year ahead there is a possibility something profitable might result from an endeavor that started out as a hobby or sideline. What you have to offer will attract partners

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your ingenuity is apt to be a shade more luminous today than that of your peers. Everyone is likely to fare better if they use your bright ideas instead of theirs. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box areas are possible. 1758. Murray Hill Station, New York, NY LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today you'll be re tristate vour zodiac sign TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Strive to require good social judgment. However, keep your focus on goals that have the this enviable talent might not extend to most promise today. Lady Luck is still a big fan of yours and she is operating on SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You could

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today your most significant returns are likely to come from a partnership arrangement. It binds you with an individual who was lucky for

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Sell imaginatively today if there is something you're trying to promote for a personal profit. However, don't depart from the facts to make the sale

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) When it comes to working out an agreement today you should be able to strike an advantageous bargain. However, don't get careless and overlook the obvious

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Strive to be aware of materialistic matters today without being selfish or greedy. If you let events run their course, rewards from two

right on target in managing matters that

be luckier than usual today where your worldly and material interests are concerned. Chance could play a significant role in tilting advantageous trends in your

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Let the pronouncements of gloomy companions fall on deaf ears today."Tune them out and tune in those whose pitch is in harmony with yours.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You should do well today in your commercial affairs if you conduct them along traditional lines. Use methods you know from experience work effectively.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A disgruntled associate might attempt to throw a monkey wrench into your machinery today. Don't let this upset you, because you won't have trouble finding an equally effective alternative.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) This could be a day when the emphasis will be placed on unexpected developments. Be ready to move swiftly if Lady Luck opens up a window of opportunity. ©1998 by NEA, Inc.



"You're better than Dick Hyman. Daddy. He hasta use TWO hands to play."



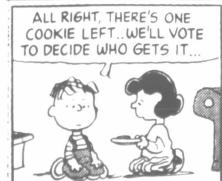
"He must be telling cat jokes again

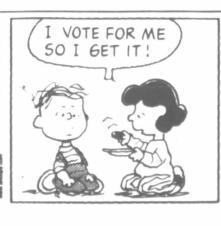
The Family Circus













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SPORTS

Notebook

BASKETBALL

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) -Rick Barnes, the Clemson basketball coach that has accepted an offer to go to Texas, said South Carolina's public school system played a part in his decision.

Barnes, whose two children ages 9 and 13 attend Pickens County schools, said Monday the move is right for his family.

He also said he did not intend for his remarks to offend anyone. "I don't want people (in Clemson) to ever think I was too good for them," he said.

Pickens County school officials said they were surprised by Barnes' comments.

'Our test scores pretty well speak for themselves. Many, many kids get an excellent education (here). I don't know what the problem would have been," said district Superintendent Duke Hucks.

He pointed to Morrison Elementary School, which Barnes' daughter attends. Morrison has received state incentive money every year for the last 13 years for its achievement on standardized test scores.

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AMARILLO — The 1997-98 **Texas Big Game Awards Show** and Dinner for the Panhandle Region will be held in the North Meeting Room of the Amarillo Civic Center at 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

Trophy mule deer, whitetailed deer and pronghorn antelope may be viewed at 5:30 p.m., followed by a barbeque dinner at 6:30 p.m. and an awards presentation at 7 p.m. Cost for the event is \$10.00 for adults and \$7.50 for children 12 and under. Reservations must be made by calling 1-800-692-1338 by 5 p.m. on Friday.

The annual program, sponsored by Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and Texas Wildlife Association, is designed to recognize quality big game animals and the hunters that harvested them during the 1997-98 hunting season. The program also recognizes the land management efforts of land owners and encourages participation by young and new hunters.

For further information, call Mike Miller at 806-665-5260.

FOOTBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Curtis Martin exercised a four-year option in his contract to remain with the New York Jets through 2002.

Martin signed an offer sheet with the Jets last month that New England refused to match. The deal allowed Martin to choose between becoming a free agent again after the '98 season or adding five years to the deal.

The one-year deal was worth \$4 million. The longer contract is worth about \$6 million a year, or \$36 million altogether if the Jets exercise their option for the 2003 sea-

IRVING, Texas (AP) -Free agent running back Chris Warren agreed to a three-year, \$2 million contract with the Dallas Cowboys.

Warren, 30, was released by Seattle last month after the Seahawks signed Ricky Watters. Warrren rushed for 847 yards last season.

- SPRINGFIELD, Va. (AP) - A year after Washington Redskins owner Jack Kent Cooke died and left his wife nothing, his heirs reached a secret settlement with the widow, estate lawyers said.

The agreement resolves lawsuits filed by Marlena Ramallo Cooke and by lawyers for the estimated \$825 million estate, and averts a trial scheduled for April 20. The Washington Post reported that Marlena Cooke will get \$20 million in the settlement.

Pampa girls win district golf championship

CANYON — The Pampa Lady Harvesters shot a final-round 351 Monday to win their second consecutive District 1-4A golf championship.

Pampa shot a 1,036 in the three-round district tournament while runnerup Hereford had a 1,071. Both teams qualify for the Class 4A regional tournament April 27-28 in San Angelo.

Pampa senior Melissa Gindorf won medalist honors with a 247, while teammate Shelbie Allison Hereford's Amy Killingsworth finished tied for second at 253. Allison defeated Killingsworth on the second hole of a playoff.

The third district round was played at Canyon Country

"With the regionals up next I feel like like we're getting ready to play some our best golf, even though we didn't today (Monday)," said Pampa coach Frank McCullough. "We have a real good chance of going onto state. We finished third in regionals last year and I feel we'll be able to improve on

District 1-4A Tournament (third and final round)

Golf

Borger 395-1,127; 4. Canyon 375-1,132; 5. Randall 381 - 1,146; 6. Dumas 422-1,207; 7. Borger JV 448-1,272; 8. Caprock 453-1,329; 9. Canyon JV 479; 10. Hereford JV 532-1,423.

Medalist: 1. Melissa Gindorf, Pampa, 86-247; 2. (tie) Shelbie Allison, Pampa, 87-253; Amy Killingsworth, Hereford, 83-253; Day. 4. Kacey Henderson, Randall, 89-256; 5. Lindsay Ward, Association and the Red Raider Bezner, Hereford, 93-261.

Team totals: 1. Pampa 351-Pampa: Shelbie Allison 87-Tuesday, April 1,036; 2. Hereford 372-1,071; 3. 253; Melissa Gindorf 86-247; \$10 per person.

Cortnie Allison 95-283; Maggie Cowan 93-276; Alison Piersall

Singles: Stephanie Harwood 96; Annie Sims 108; Michelle Qualls 112.

1998 Texas Tech Coaches Golf

Sponsored by the Ex-Students meal and program.

The program for the poolside meal at Pampa County Club includes representatives from Texas Tech Athletics Department and Bill Dean, vice president and chief executive officer of the Ex-Students Association.

The Red Raider Golf Classic, Sunday, April 19, is the last day an 18-hole scramble, will be to make reservations for the held earlier in the day. The \$50 per player fee includes cart, prizes, green fees and evening

For more information call Hereford, 91-258; 6. Jacque Club, the Texas Tech Coaches Mickey Piersall at the Pampa Golf Day is planned for 6 p.m. Country Club, 665-8431, or Dr. Joe Pampa: Shelbie Allison 87- Tuesday, April 21, at a cost of Donaldson, 2530 Duncan, 665-

Harvester tennis team takes fourth at Dumas

DUMAS — The Pampa High at the Dumas Invitational

Senior McKinley Quarles and junior Mandy Wells combined to (B), 6-3, 6-1. win the girls' doubles division without losing a set in four matches. The title was the third of the spring season for Quarles and the second for Wells.

Iunior Kellen Waters and sophomore Emily Curtis won three of their four doubles matches. Senior Jason Vickery and for the boys' top performance with a fourth-place finish in dou-

Players for the week are Quarles and freshman Michael Cornelison. The team next plays in the District 1-4A Tournament in Dumas Friday and Saturday. Results from the Dumas

Tournament are as follows: Team standings: 1. Vernon 113; 2. Dumas 95; 3. Plainview 84; 4. Pampa 77; 5. Borger 62; 6. Clovis, Jeremy Gray (B), 6-1, 6-4. N.M. 59; 7. Randall 41; 8. Perryton 38

Girls doubles

McKinley Quarles-Mandy Wells: First round, def. LaFebre-Pichcuskie (PE), 6-1, 6-0; Quarterfinals: def. Boland Gooch (V), 6-4, 6-1; Semifinals: def. Ames-Pendergrass (D), 6-4, 6-2; Finals: def. Dorrity-Mock (PL), 6-

Emily Curtis-Kellen Waters: First round, lost to Carr-Quintero (V), 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5); Second round, def. Flue-Sealock (B), 6-1, def. Gammage-Williams (PL), 6-3,

Boys doubles First round, def. Mills-Pallmeyer (R), by default: Ouarterfinals, def. Heden-Knapp (C), 6-2, 6-0; Semifinals, lost to Echols-Petross (V), 6-0, 6-2; Third place, lost to Coggins-Tebeest (D), 6-0, 6-2.

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) —

He must have been swinging for

singles Monday night as he home-

Stevens had the first three-

homer game of his career to back

Bobby Witt's six-hit pitching for 6

2-3 innings as the Texas Rangers

"When I start looking for

homers, that's when I get into

trouble," Stevens said. "I was look-

ing to be aggressive and swing at

strikes. This is a good park for left-

handed hitters. It was a special

done it before."

night for me because I've never

The lefty-hitting designated hit-

ter hit solo homers in the second

and fifth innings before connecting

on a two-run shot in the seventh to

give him five for the season.

Attempting to become the 13th

player to homer four times in a

game, he walked in the eighth.

routed the Detroit Tigers 10-1.

red three times into the right-field

swings for the fences.

Brandon Coffee-Bryce Hudson: School varsity tennis team played First round, lost to Dill-Milner (B), 6-2, 3-6, 6-2; Second round, Tournament last weekend and def. Salcido-Slaton (R), 6-3, 4-6, came away with a fourth-place 6-2; Third round, def. Gage-Joyner (PE), 7-5, 6-4; Eighth place, lost to Schmitz-Trahern

> Girls singles Valerie Lee: First round, def. Crystal Cannon (PL), 7-6 (8-6), 6-3; Quarterfinals, lost to Rhona Foeh (C), 6-1, 7-5; Third round, def. Rae Ann Pattison (V), 6-2, 6-1; Fifth place, lost to Stephanie Lechner (D), 4-6, 6-1, 6-0.

Amanda Browning: First junior Russ DuBose teamed up 10und, lost to Andrea Burrows (R), 6-4, 6-4; Second round, lost to Alicia Gallegos (C), 6-3, 7-5; Third round, def. Amy Hall (PE), 6-1, 6-0; 13th place, lost to Tasha Bryant (R), by default. **Boys singles**

Michael Cornelison: First round, def. Josh Stevens (C), 7-6 (7-4), 6-2; Quarterfinals, lost to John Leavitt (V), 6-3, 6-1; Third round, lost to Shelby Melban (D), 6-0, 6-1; Seventh place, def.

Dustin Laycock: First round, lost to Dustin Blankenship (PL), 6-1, 6-4; Second round, lost to Cameron Jones (R), 6-2, 6-3; Third round, def. Brad Foster (PE), 6-1, 6-0; Thirteenth place, def. Yuri Mendoza (PL), 6-4, 6-4.

The Pampa junior varsity team was thurst into the Gold Division of the Amarillo Relays this past Thursday and Friday with some of the top varsity programs in the region. Sophomores Ryan Mills and

6-1; Third round, def. Baker- Helen Orr led the squad by win-Pallas (C), 6-0, 6-1; Eighth place, ning two of four singles match-

Final team standings were as follows: 1. Wichita Falls High; 2. Russ DuBose-Jason Vickery: Tascosa; 3. Carlsbad, N.M.; 4. Amarillo High; 5. Lubbock Monterey; 6. Canyon; 7 Pampa JV; 8. Amarillo High JV.

The team next plays in the District 1-4A JV Tournament Friday in Dumas.

Stevens wants to avoid becom-

he took the walk when reliever

Doug Brocail pitched carefully to

get out of hand and swing at

everything he threw up there,"

Stevens said. "So I was happy to

get the walk and keep the inning

Rangers manager Johnny

"He made them throw strikes,"

Juan Gonzalez added a two-

have won four of five to lead the

Witt (1-0) got his 125th career

win and 100th for Texas. The

right-hander's bid for a 10th

career shutout ended in the sev-

enth when Joe Randa doubled,

advanced on a groundout and

scored on a balk to make it 5-1.

Oates said the key to Stevens' big

night was that he did not give in

Oates said. "He's a legitimate hit-

to the Tigers pitchers.

ter when he does that."

West by one game.

"It was important for me not to

him in the eighth.

Rangers rout Tigers, 10-1

Lee Stevens struggles when he ing obsessed with home runs, so

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Unbeaten Lady Harvesters



The unbeaten Pampa girls' track team have won seven meet championships going into the District 1-4A meet Friday and Saturday in Borger. Team members are (front row, I-r) Tiffany McCullough, Katy Cavalier, Lavonne Evans and Audrey Wilbon; (back row, I-r) Tandi Morton, Ashleigh Patton, Lori Lindsey, Jennifer Ross, Joy Young, Barbara Wine and Lacrese Ford.

Dodgers beat Astros on strange play

decision. It's the rule that makes no

"If the ruling is in the book that way, they should rewrite it," the Houston second baseman said after the Los Angeles Dodgers took advantage of a seldom-invoked interpretation in beating the Astros 3-1 Monday

night. "That's a strange one, a weird It wasn't a good one for the Astros. The win was the sixth in eight games for the Dodgers after four losses to start the season, and it came one night after a 7-6 win over the Astros on Raul Mondesi's two-out, two-run

homer in the 10th. Mondesi was in the middle of Monday night's biggest play. With the score tied 1-1, he singled off Jose Lima (2-1) to start the seventh, becoming his team's first baserunner since the third.

Mondesi was then hit by Todd Zeile's grounder on a hit-and-run play, and immediately left the field, figuring he was out. But after a brief delay, he was waved back to second

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Craig base. The umpires so ruled because back."

Biggio couldn't fault the umpire's first baseman Jeff Bagwell was playing in, and Biggio, covering second, had no play on the ball. Zeile was credited with a single.

play on it, or the infielders were his first two RBIs.

Ouick said first base umpire Joe West, who made the call, had seen the play once before.

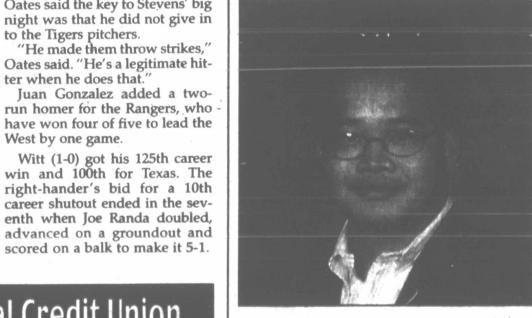
Pinch hitter Jose Vizcaino then "It was a very strange play," said sacrificed, and seldom-used Wilton plate umpire Jim Quick, a 22-year Guerrero, making his first start of veteran. "I've seen runners hit, never the season, singled up the middle like this. Either another player had a to drive in Mondesi and Zeile for

Neighborhood Watch works!

THANK YOU

Pampa Independent School District for your consolation and your continuing prayers during this difficult time, and also for the very generous monetary donations, which greatly helped ease our financial worries of putting our loved one to rest.

Kevin, Loretta & Kisha Grimes The Family of Chaz D. Niblett



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East Division								
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Philadelphia	7	4	.636	_				
Atlanta	6	6	.500	1 1/2				
Montreal	3	8	.273	4				
Florida	2	11	.154	6				
Central Division			.104	0				
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Chicago	8	4	.667	-				
Milwaukee	7	4	.636	1/2				
St. Louis	7	5	.583	1				
Pittsburgh	7	6	.538	1 1/2				
Houston	7	7	.500	2				
Cincinnati	6	7	.462	2 1/2				
West Division			. 102	2 172				
	W	L	Pct.	GB				
San Diego	11	2	.846					
San Francisco	8	5	.615	3				
Los Angeles	6	6	.500	4 1/2				
Colorado	5	9	357	6 1/2				
Arizona	2	11	.154	9				
Sunday's Gar	nes							
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Atlanta 3, Phila								
Pittsburgh 7, FI	lorida	3						
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San Diego 4, A	rizona	12						

BASEBALL

San Francisco 2. St. Louis 1 Los Angeles 7, Houston 6, 10 innings Monday's Games San Francisco 8, St. Louis 2 N.Y. Mets at Milwaukee, ppd., rain Philadelphia 11, Atlanta 8 Florida 7, Pittsburgh 2 San Diego 1, Arizona 0

Colorado 8, Cincinnati 4 Los Angeles 3, Houston 1 Only games scheduled
Tuesday's Games
Milwaukee (Karl 1-0) at Montreal (Vazquez 0-Chicago Cubs (Gonzalez 0-1) at N.Y. Mets Pittsburgh (Lieber 0-1) at Atlanta (Millwood 1-

'Arizona (Suppan 0-2) at St. Louis (Mercker 1-Los Angeles (Valdes 1-1) at Colorado (Thompson 1-0), 9:05 p.m. San Diego (Langston 1-0) at San Francisco (Gardner 1-1), 10:05 p.m.

Only games scheduled Wednesday's Games Milwaukee (Juden 2-0) at Montreal (Moore 0-Philadelphia (Schilling 2-0) at Florida (Hernandez 1-1), 7:05 p.m.

Houston (Reynolds 1-1) at Cincinnati (Tomko 1-1), 7:05 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Trachsel 2-0) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 0-1), 7:40 p.m. Pittsburgh (Silva 1-1) at Atlanta (Maddux 0-1), Anzona (Benes 1-1) at St. Louis (Stottlemyre

1-0), 8:10 p.m. Los Angeles (R.Martinez 2-1) at Colorado (Kile 1-2), 9:05 p.m. San Diego (K.Brown 1-0) at San Francisco (Darwin 1-0), 10:35 p.m.

American League At A Glance By The Associated Press **East Division**

	W	L	Pct.	GB	
Baltimore	9	2	.818	_	
Tampa Bay	7	4	.636	2	
New York	6	4	.600	2 1/2	
Boston	7	5	.583	2 1/2	
Toronto	4	8	.333	5 1/2	
Central Divis	ion				
	W	L	Pct.	GB	
Cleveland	9	2	.818	_	
Minnesota	6	6	.500	3 1/2	
Kansas City	5	7	.417	4 1/2	
Chicago	4	6	.400	4 1/2	
Detroit	3	8	.273	6	

West Divisio	n 41					y-Indiana	56	23	.709		
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Seattle	3	9	.250	4 1/2	-	Milwaukee	35	43	.449	24	1
Oakland	2	8	.200	4 1/2		Detroit	35	44	.443		2
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Tampa Bay 4,	Chicago	Whi	te Sox	1		y-Houston	40	39	.506	19	1

Monday's Games Boston 6, Oakland 3 Cleveland 6. Seattle 5 Tampa Bay 13, Minnesota 12, 14 innings Anaheim at N.Y. Yankees, ppd., stadium structural problems y-L.A. Lakers Kansas City 11, Toronto 1 Texas 10, Detroit 1 y-Phoenix y-Portland 27 16 16 Only games scheduled Sacramento Golden State Tuesday's Games Oakland (Prieto 0-0) at Boston (Henry 0-0), L.A. Clippers eattle (Swift 1-0) at Cleveland (Krivda 1-0), Minnesota (Radke 1-1) at Tampa Bay Sunday's Games

(Springer 1-0), 7:05 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Eyre 0-1) at Baltimore (Key 1-0), 7:05 p.m. Anaheim at N.Y. Yankees, ppd., stadium structural problems
Toronto (Guzman 0-2) at Kansas City (Rapp Detroit (Sanders 0-1) at Texas (Sele 2-0), 8:35 Wednesday's Games Anaheim (Hill 2-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Wells 1-

Oakland (Haynes 1-0) at Boston (Rose 0-1), 6.05 p.m. Seattle (Johnson 0-1) at Cleveland (Colon 1-0), 7:05 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 1-1) at Baltimore (Drabek 1-1), 7:05 p.m. Toronto (Williams 1-0) at Kansas City (Haney Detroit (Worrell 1-1) at Texas (Helling 2-0), 8:35 p.m. Only games scheduled

BOWLING

HARVESTER		
Wednesday Night M		
Team	Won	Lost
Davis Minute Mart	30	10
Cox Enterprise	22	18
Ogden & Son	22	18
Harvester Lanes	21	19
Dorman Tire	20	20
Harbison Fischer	19	21
McCarty Hull	17	23
Deaver Construction	17	23
Graham Furniture	17	23
Canadian Motel	15	25
Week's High Scores		
Women		
High game: Peggy Sr	nith 187 -	ligh series

High game: Peggy Smith 187; High series: Peggy Smith 534; High handicap game: Bettye Sue Clegg 241; High handicap series: Bettye Sue Clegg 664.

High game: Warren Dahn 225; High series: Warren Dahn 608; High handicap game: Charlie Martin 269; High handicap series: Charlie Martin 691. **PRO BASKETBALL**

At A Glance All Times EDT By The Associated Press EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division							
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New Jersey	42	36	.538	12 1/2			
New York	42	37	.532	13			
Orlando	39	40	.494	16			
Washington -	38	40	.487	16 1/2			
Boston	35	43	.449	19 1/2			
Philadelphia	30	49	.380	25			

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Central Division

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Vancouver at Seattle, 10 p.m. Wednesday's Games Milwaukee at Boston, 7 p.m. Cleveland at Washington, 7 p.m. Orlando at Miami, 7:30 p.m New Jersey at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m. Chicago at Detroit, 8 p.m. Denver at Phoenix, 10 p.m. Golden State at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m. **COLLEGE BASEBALL**

Baseball America Top 25 DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — The Top 25 college baseball teams as determined by the staff of Baseball America magazine with records through April 12 (tie games are not included in

	Record	Pvs	
 Stanford 	29-6	1	
2. Miami	34-4	2	
3. Alabama	30-7		
4. LouisianaState	31-1	4	
	29-9	5	
6. SouthernCalifornia	a 29-11	3	
	33-8	9	
8. SouthCarolina	32-8	8	
9. Clemson 10. Auburn 11. Oklahoma	34-7	7	
10. Auburn	30-8	10	
 Oklahoma 	29-8	13	
WichitaState	27-3	16	
13 Rice	31-13	12	
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SouthAlabama	30-9	14	
16. ArizonaState	27-14	19	
FloridaState	33-12	18	
18. CalStateFullerto			
19. Tulane	28-10	22	
20. Washington	22-11	15	
21. TexasTech	29-13	20	
22. LongBeachState	24-12	21	
23. VirginiaCommor	wealth 30-8	_	
24. Arkansas	25-13	_	
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Spurs defeated by Lakers in fight-marred NBA contest

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — When ed, but they started taking cheap a bad night shooting," Popovich the NBA's most potent offense met shots at our point guards," said said. "We worked hard, but we something had to give.

Monday the night at Alamodome, it was the San Antonio Spurs' defense that was no match for the high-powered Los Angeles Lakers, who made 55.2 percent of their shots in a fightmarred 99-75 victory.

"I was proud of the game," Lakers coach Del Harris said. "This team is the same that beat Seattle. We knew we were in for a tough game. Tim Duncan did everything he could to pull it out. The other guys for them couldn't find the range. We put pressure on their shooters. Our defense was excellent all night."

San Antonio came into the game leading the NBA in field-goal percentage allowed at 40.9 percent, and was tops in the league in fewest points per game.

With an offense that outscored San Antonio 54-38 inside, Los Angeles won for the sixth straight O'Neal's 28 points and 16 rebounds.

"If Shaq can get the ball enough, there is not anybody that can guard him," Harris said. "If he gets the ball in good position, it doesn't matter if you double-team or tripleteam, he can still score."

With the Lakers leading handily in the fourth quarter, the game was halted twice in less than 45 seconds with fighting that resulted in matter to us, our team can play sucthe ejections of Will Perdue and cessfully both ways." Monty Williams of San Antonio and Derek Fisher and Nick Van the lead in the fourth quarter. A 7-0 He was listed as probable for the Exel of Los Angeles.

"Maybe they got a little frustrat-

the field. "They tried taking cheap shots at me, but I'm unbreakable. Nobody can stop me."

The win brought Los Angeles within one game of Seattle in the Pacific Division, while the loss dropped San Antonio behind Phoenix in the race for homecourt advantage in the first round of the playoffs.

Eddie Jones backed O'Neal with 18 points, while Van Exel scored 17 and Kobe Bryant 15.

"It was no big deal," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said of the two fights. "It was your typical NBA nobody hits anybody sort of fight. Nobody got hurt and that's the main thing.

San Antonio, which played without the injured David Robinson, was led by Duncan with 26 points points allowed per game at 88.4. and 16 rebounds. The Spurs shot a The Lakers lead the NBA with 105.3 season-low 31.0 percent from the field on 26-of-84 shooting.

"I just wanted to remind the Notes: With their fourth straight players that there was big game tomorrow and then the playoffs," time on the road behind Shaquille Harris said. "We don't need guys getting suspended."

Los Angeles opened the third quarter with an 18-10 run to lead 69-52 on Jones' 3-pointer with 4:24 left in the quarter.

Jones had 12 third-quarter points as Los Angeles led 73-59 going into Forum this season and assured the final 12 minutes.

"Some teams win with finesse, some teams play a more physical style," Jones said. "It really doesn't not play for the second straight

run built the Lakers' lead to 86-65.

the league's stingiest defense, O'Neal, who was 11-for-16 from couldn't throw it in the ocean, and obviously we couldn't handle Shaq. The first fight came with 4:46 remaining and resulted in the ejec1 Ap

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tions of Perdue and Fisher, who exchanged pushes after a dunk by Bryant.

"I thought he came in too low on the screen, and I just tried to get him off of me," Perdue said.

At the 4:02 mark, both Van Exel and Williams were ejected for fighting after a missed 3-point field goal by Van Exel.

"It was an aggressive game," San Antonio's Avery Johnson said. "As a team, you get tired of seeing and hearing that you're backing down from everyone. It was just a rough game out there."

The Spurs were criticized recently by Houston's Charles Barkley for not retaliating when Robinson was elbowed by Karl Malone.

win over San Antonio this season, the Lakers are now 23-2 against Midwest Division opponents. ... The Lakers travel tonight to Dallas, where they can tie their team record for road wins in a season, 28, which was accomplished twice previously. Los Angles is 27-13 away from the Great Western itself of finishing the season at least tied for the best road record in the NBA this season. ... Robinson did game because of a concussion he suffered last Wednesday at Utah Los Angeles continued to stretch when he was elbowed by Malone. game, but instead watched from "They shot very well and we had the bench in street clothes."

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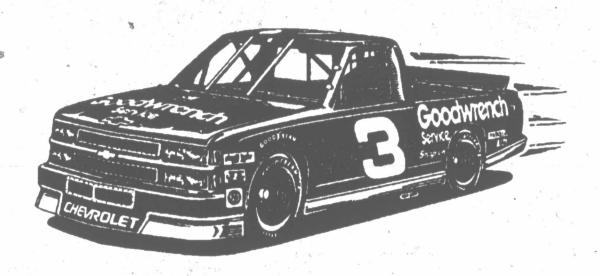
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