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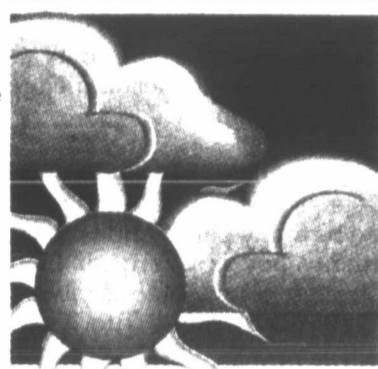
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High today, upper 60s.
Low tonight, lower 40s.
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ERICK, Okla. — Erick Chamber of Commerce invites everyone to "shop til you drop" at its annual Spring City-Wide Garage Sale May 2. A list of all garage sales can be obtained at C&K and Puckett's Grocery stores May 1.

CLARENDON — Clarendon College graduation ceremonies are slated to begin at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 24 in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium. Seventy-five students will participate in the annual ceremony. A reception for the 1998 graduating class will be held at 6 p.m. in the Clarendon College Dining Hall. For more information call Nena Hunt at 806-874-3571.

PAMPA — It's not too late to get involved with the **Pampa Kids Club**. Because of the overwhelming response, children 5-years-old through eighth grade are encouraged to sign up now. For information, call 669-7762 or 669-6732 and ask for Sonny or Tinde Haskins. The first season starts in May and games will be played on Saturdays.

Also, a large number of children need scholarships. If you as a company or individual would like to sponsor a child (or children) please contact the Haskins or write: **Kids Club**, P.O. Box 1057, Pampa, TX 79066-1057.

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(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

Moderating at last night's Goals For Pampa meeting were Janie Shed (left) chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission, Laurie Thomas, Lois Strate vice chair, and Jim Bertram.

Contract delays put library renovations behind schedule

Lovett Memorial Library has been moved from its main building into Baker Elementary for about two months now, and except for removing some asbestos in the wall, not even a hammer has been swung to start the renovation.

The delay has been in the paperwork, according to Bill Hildebrandt, Pampa's director of community services.

"We just received the authorized original American Architectural Contract Forms. They were blank for us to fill in but it's like you can't do a building project without these forms," he said.

He said the language has been agreed to, but it's necessary to use an original form not a copy. The form is now at City Attorney Don Lane's office and Hildebrandt said it was now a

matter of getting the information typed in and then having the legal advisor for the Lovett Library Foundation look the form over.

"It should be ready to sign in a few days. I've been telling you that for a couple of weeks now, but it's just a matter of getting the information typed on the original forms," he said.

Hildebrandt said he's been asked, since the library moved on Valentine's Day, if they were planning to move back on the same day, a year later.

He said, "I say no, at least I hope not."

One of the reasons the library moved all the books and the operations out of the Lovett Building was to speed up the time it would take to do the renovations, once work has started. Original estimates were for the

renovations to take seven to nine months if the library didn't move operations out of the building. Hildebrandt said he still thinks the library should be moved back to the main building by the end of October at the latest.

"It has taken a little longer than I expected but you have to look at this realistically. This probably is going to be the most major modification of that building in its lifetime. It will be worth the wait when it gets finished, but I am looking forward to it being finished," he said.

One other problem facing the library may be resolved this week. Hildebrandt said he hoped to have two part time workers hired for the library by the end of this week, the staff has been working short-handed
See LIBRARY, page 2

Democracy in action: Residents participate in city's goal planning

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

About 40 to 50 citizens showed up along with several members of the city and county governments to discuss goals for the future of Pampa. The meeting held by Pampa's Planning and Zoning Commission was called so that citizens could have input into a 10-year plan for the city.

Invited as guests were Laurie Thomas, the city planner for Amarillo and Jim Bertram who is director of strategic planning for Lubbock.

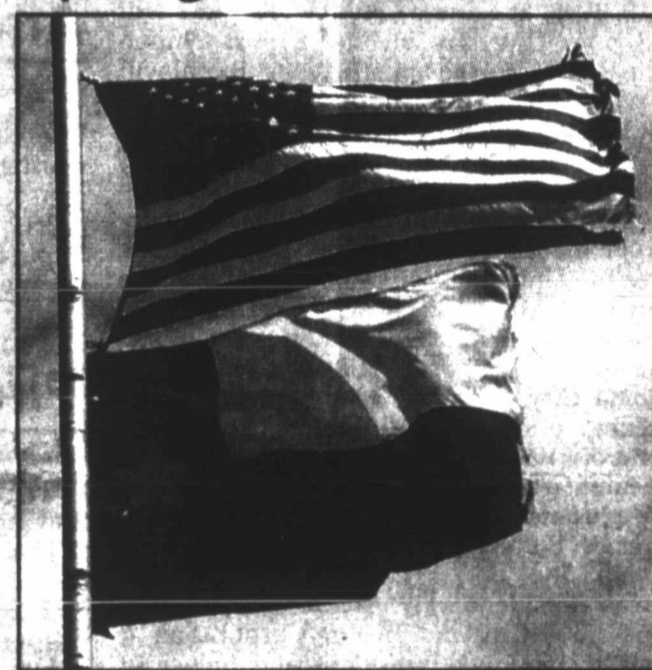
The meeting, held at the M.K. Brown Auditorium, had the tone set when Bertram said, "The future is not some place we are going but something we are creating."

After showing a list of what he and Thomas viewed as the strengths and weaknesses of Pampa, the crowd divided into two groups to discuss the suggested strengths and weaknesses in areas including health, safety and human services, education, recreation, parks and entertainment and others.

Janie Shed, chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said she had hoped more people would have come, but, she said, the people there were interested in the progress of Pampa.

The Planning and Zoning Commission will take the ideas and incorporate them into a plan for Pampa's future.

Spring winds . . .



(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

Gusty chilly winds keep flags flying high Monday afternoon. Slightly calmer winds and warmer temperatures are predicted for the next few days.

Shamrock woman found 'dead' comes back to life

SHAMROCK — Betty Cates was in good condition in Shamrock General Hospital today despite what it says on her death certificate.

It was about two weeks ago that a representative of Meals on Wheels stopped by the home of Sarah Elizabeth "Betty" Cates. When there was no answer at the door, Meals on Wheels coordinator Glenn Richerson went in and found the 80-year-old woman lying on the floor next to her bed.

A spokesman for Meals on Wheels in Shamrock explained that part of the program is to check on clients and make

sure they are all right. Volunteers are required to see or hear the clients.

Richerson, a retired funeral director, couldn't find a pulse so he notified authorities, including Wheeler County Justice of the Peace Guy Hardin.

Acting as coroner, Hardin said he touched her throat looking for a pulse.

He reported that the body was cold, and she did not appear to be breathing.

They put a blanket over the body, and Hardin began filling out the death certificate. That's when she moved.

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Officers said she pulled back the cover and grinned at them.

"It was an eerie feeling," Hardin said today.

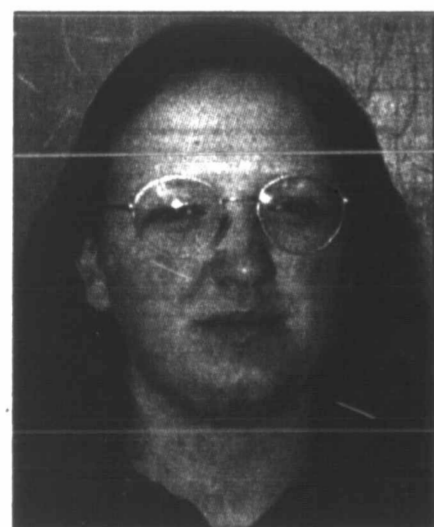
The ambulance that had been called rushed her to the hospital instead of the funeral home.

Authorities said Cates, a diabetic, apparently had gone into shock. Putting a blanket over her helped revive her.

Shamrock General Hospital officials reported today that Cates was in good condition.

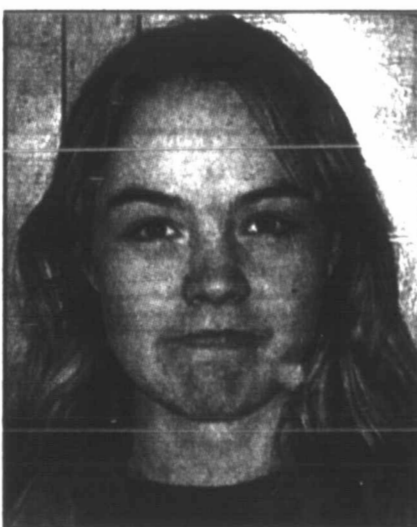
The Meals on Wheels representative said, although it may have been an embarrassing incident, if Richerson hadn't checked on her, the story might not have had such a happy ending.

Quite frankly... Do you think the federal government's plan of raising the price of cigarettes a dollar a pack will have an impact on under age smokers?



"I think it will because as the price goes up, less people will be able to afford them. I'll probably end up quitting when fall rolls around."

Brei Betzold Senior



"It won't make a difference because if kids want to smoke they are going to smoke no matter what it costs — they don't care."

Amanda Jenkins Sophomore



"Raising the price won't make a difference. Kids are going to smoke if they want to. Some will go to any extent to have their cigs."

Lesley Clark Junior



"I don't think that raising the price of cigarettes will stop teens from buying. If they are going to smoke they will pay the price."

Nicole Barnes Junior



"I don't think changing the price will make much difference. Teens who want to smoke will smoke anyway."

Holly Wilson Junior

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

DAVIS, Marion Juanita "Mom" — 10 a.m., First Christian Church, Guymon, Okla.

Obituaries

MARION JUANITA 'MOM' DAVIS
GUYMON, Okla. — Marion Juanita "Mom" Davis, 76, a former White Deer resident, died Sunday, April 19, 1998. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Don Chase and the Rev. David Cook, of United Methodist Church at Hooker, officiating. Burial will be in Elmhurst Cemetery under the direction of Bunch-Roberts Funeral Home.

Mrs. Davis was born and raised at Holdenville, graduated from Holdenville High School in 1939. She attended junior college at Okmulgee for two years. She married Clement Davis in 1940 at Holdenville; he died in 1992. The couple moved to White Deer and then to Hooker in 1948. She enrolled in Panhandle State University at Goodwell, Okla., in 1959, receiving a bachelor of science degree in music and psychology.

The couple moved to Guymon in 1961, where she taught music and psychology, retiring in 1983 after 22 years of service. She directed many musicals in Guymon and taught voice lessons. She sang with and directed the Lions Club Minstrels for many years. She also served as manager for Mike Grey's congressional campaign. She was a member of First Christian Church and sang in choirs at the churches in Guymon and Hooker.

Survivors include two daughters, Marion Duncan of Hooker and Peggy Boren of Guymon; a brother, Richard J. Shurley of Edmond, Okla.; two grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. The family requests memorials be to Juanita Davis Music scholarship fund, First National Bank of Hooker in care of Bunch-Roberts Funeral Home, Box 1112, Guymon, OK 73942.

HUFFMAN WALKER

WHEELER — Huffman Walker, 76, died Friday, April 17, 1998, at Kansas City, Mo. Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Toby Henson officiating. Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Walker was born Sept. 20, 1921, at Wheeler, to Edwin and Sarah Walker. He earned a bachelor of science degree in business at the University of Oklahoma in 1946 and did post-graduate work at the University of Oklahoma and at the University of Missouri. He was a certified professional contracts manager and an assistant station agent for Oklahoma Railway Company in Oklahoma City, Okla. He later served as field representative for General Motors Acceptance Corporation at Oklahoma City. He held various management positions for Pontiac Motor Division of GM at Kansas City and was assistant zone manager of Pontiac Motor Division of GM in Oklahoma City.

He was president of Walker-Waters Pontiac, Inc., at Kansas City and Ticolite Corporation at Kansas City and was president and owner of Rebonda Enterprises at Prairie Village, Kan. He was vice president of General Financial Corporation at Kansas City and of Unicore Corporation at Overland Park, Kan. He was contracting officer of the Office of Economic Opportunity at Kansas City and HHS at Kansas City. He was later promoted to HHS regional loan officer. He served on the board of directors of Kansas Motor Car Dealers Association and was a member of Sons of the Confederacy, serving as treasurer. He was a past president of the Kansas City chapter of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association and was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity and the Village Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Rhonda Walker of Pompano Beach, Fla., and Rebecca A. Farrar of Robinson, Kan.; a son, H. Reed Walker of Prairie Village, Kan.; a brother, Norris C. Walker of Pampa, and a grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Wheeler Ex Students and Teachers Association, P.O. Box 1194, Wheeler, TX 79096; or to a favorite charity.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebays Grain of Pampa

Wheat	2.80	Chesron	84.3/4	up 1/4
Milo	3.82	Coca Cola	74.9/16	dn 3/4
Corn	4.12	Columbiad 5/8	53.15/16	dn 1/4
Soybeans	5.74	Enron	50.5/8	dn 3/16

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

Occidental	28.15/16	dn 7/16	Halliburton	51	dn 5/16
Phillips	73.1/8	dn 9/16	IRE	12.1/16	NC
Pioneer Nat. Res	23.11/16	NC	KNE	43.5/16	dn 1/8
Magellan	110.81	up 1/16	Kerr McGee	68.7/16	up 1/8
Puritan	21.16	dn 1/16	Limited	31.1/2	up 3/16
Ultranat	34.13/16	dn 1/8	McDonald's	61.11/16	dn 7/8
Wal Mart	52.1/8	dn 1/8	Mo's	79.1/2	dn 5/8
Williams	32.1/4	dn 3/8	New Amstar	29.1/2	dn 1/16
Amoco	87.5/8	dn 7/16	SF	48.15/16	dn 5/16
Arco	78.3/16	dn 1/4	Praxair	73.1/8	dn 9/16
Cabot	36.1/8	dn 1/16	Phillips	50	dn 3/16
Cabot O&G	23.3/8	up 5/16	Pioneer Nat. Res	23.11/16	NC

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

New York Gold	307.50
Silver	6.17
West Texas Crude	16.50

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, April 20

Cutter D. Hutchinson, 25, 911 N. Starkweather, was arrested on charges of no valid drivers license. Criminal mischief was reported at Louisiana and Russell where a \$50 sign was damaged.

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 20

David Robert Elder, 50, 116 1/2 Foster, was arrested on charges of no insurance, and failure to appear.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, April 20

The first of three hit and run accidents occurred when the 1988 Hyundai owned by Eddie Terry, Shamrock, was struck while legally parked at Pampa High School.

A 1990 Ford Mustang belonging to Jessica Plunk, 937 S. Wells was struck while it was legally parked in the 100 block of N. Frost.

A 1996 Chevrolet Pickup owned by Myrl Dean Mann, 1021 S. Wells, was parked on N. Frost was struck by an unknown vehicle which left the scene.

Ambulance

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

Monday, April 20

3:12 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

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

Monday, April 20

2:18 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to the City Barn on a suspected gas odor.

5:00 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to a false alarm at the Pampa Mall.

7:58 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to a grass fire east on highway 152.

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.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Are you or someone you know in an abusive relationship? Tralee Crisis Center is offering a women's support group Wednesdays at 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. All inquiries will be kept confidential. For information call 669-1131.

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 669-4700.

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 to 6 p.m.

TOASTMASTERS

The Toastmasters will meet every Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the Furs Cafeteria.

Diana investigation summons witnesses

PARIS (AP) — The judge investigating the car crash that killed Princess Diana will summon key witnesses for a joint hearing in a bid to clarify events leading up to the accident, judicial sources said today.

The meeting with Investigative Magistrate Herve Stephan at the Palais de Justice in Paris is scheduled for June 5, according to the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Among the witnesses will be nine photographers and a press motorcyclist placed under formal investigation for allegedly playing a role in the crash while pursuing the car carrying the princess and failing to assist the crash victims. Passers-by in the tunnel at the time of the crash also will be heard.

In addition to Diana, the Aug. 31 crash killed her companion, Dodi Fayed, and their driver. Only Fayed's bodyguard, Trevor Rees-Jones, survived.

Rees-Jones has not been summoned, his lawyer said today. "Trevor Rees-Jones will not be coming. Nor will any of the civil parties," Christian Curtil said.

Rees-Jones announced Monday that he is leaving his job working for Dodi's father, Mohamed Al Fayed, the billionaire owner of Harrods department store in London.

So far, the investigation has focused on the drunken condition of the driver, Henri Paul, and the whereabouts of a white Fiat that may have side-swiped the Mercedes carrying the princess before it collided with a pillar in a tunnel.

LIBRARY

The library is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9-6 on Friday, 9-2 on Saturday and 2-5 on Sunday. Hildebrandt said the hours may have to be changed again for the summer if heat conditions warrant. The Baker Annex has no air conditioning and evaporative coolers would damage the books and the computers. "We do have windows, we can open and we can put a number of fans in to circulate air," he said.

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Names in the News

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Is there a state Senate seat in the future for the brother of entertainer Rosie O'Donnell?

Daniel O'Donnell, a former public defender, said Monday he intended to seek the seat being vacated by Franz Leichter, a Democrat who is retiring after 24 years in the New York Senate.

O'Donnell, 37, is one of about six Democrats interested in the seat, which encompasses nearly all of Manhattan's West Side. Should he win, O'Donnell would become the first openly homosexual man in the New York Legislature.

Leichter said he will stay neutral in the battle to succeed him, but he said O'Donnell is more than just a famous name.

"Everybody refers to him as Rosie's brother, but he's somebody in his own right," Leichter said Monday.

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Michael Bolton has hired lawyers and accountants to look into the finances of the charitable organization that bears his name.

State records show the Michael Bolton Foundation, a charity for women and children, raised nearly \$2.6 million in 1995, but less than 15 percent went to the needy.

Most of the money went to a professional fund-raiser and to pay for the high costs of a star-studded charity event, said Jacqueline

Smaga, the foundation's executive director.

The singer, who grew up in New Haven, was unavailable for comment, but his foundation released a statement Monday saying he "will take any corrective action that may be necessary."

Bolton's foundation was given an extension for its 1996 fund-raising report and has not yet filed its 1997 report.

NEW YORK (AP) — The life of a movie star isn't what Denzel Washington dreamed about.

"Even once I started getting roles, I figured I was going to work in the theater, and if I ever got in movies, it would be movies like 'Taxi Driver,'" said Washington, referring to the 1976 film about a taxi driver's descent into violence.

Washington, who plays the father of a blue-chip high school basketball player in Spike Lee's new movie, "He Got Game," said he's interested in directing.

"Acting's like someone asking you for years to write the characters, but they write the book," he said in the May issue of Esquire magazine.

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Computer mogul Bill Gates donated more than \$200,000 to help kick off a new technology training program linked with the Milwaukee Area Technical College.

Gates, chairman and chief executive officer of Microsoft, joined MATC President John Birkholz in launching the program, which also will include a donation of lap-top computers from Toshiba.

"In terms of responding to the needs of the marketplace, getting people ready for the new jobs that are out there, the community colleges really are the leading edge," Gates said Monday.

NEW YORK (AP) — Best wishes, songs and friends — the usual for a birthday party. And when the birthday boy is jazz great Lionel Hampton, count on good vibes.

Betty Carter and Tito Puente were among those on hand Sunday to sing "Happy Birthday" to Hampton, who smiled, turned 90 — and kept on playing.

"I feel like I'm 25. I feel like I want to play until I'm 125," said Hampton, one of last surviving jazz greats of the swing era, a drummer who made his first album in 1927 and has played vibas, an instrument resembling a xylophone, since Louis Armstrong asked him in 1930 if he knew how to play.

Bill Cosby, who emceed the star-studded soiree, said "Lionel has the distinction of never having left a stage without having to be taken off." Hampton showed no signs Sunday of falling short of that reputation.

Suit says Nike factory claims violate false-advertising law

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Nike's claims that it pays overseas workers generously and protects them from health hazards amount to false advertising, a lawsuit says.

A Code of Conduct that the world's largest athletic shoe maker promoted in the media was misleading and intended "to entice consumers who do not want to purchase products made in sweatshops," the suit said.

The code should be considered the equivalent of false advertising claims, subjecting Nike to potentially huge damages, said the lawsuit, filed in Superior Court.

Nike, based in Beaverton, Ore., has about 22,000 employees, but most of its products are made by 450,000 workers in Asian factories run by contractors.

The suit said Nike has stated that it guarantees a "living wage" to all workers, that its workers in Southeast Asia make twice the local minimum wage, receive free meals and health care, and are protected from corporal punishment; and that it

complies with government rules on wages, hours and health and safety conditions.

Those claims, the suit says, are refuted by studies from labor and human rights groups, news media investigations and especially a January 1997 audit by the firm of Ernst & Young.

The audit, commissioned by Nike, was leaked to reporters last November. It found that employees in a large Vietnam shoe factory were exposed to cancer-causing toluene and suffered a high incidence of respiratory problems.

"We have always been concerned about the health, safety and wage levels of our workers and have consistently taken steps to help create the very best workplaces," the company said in a statement responding to the suit.

The Nike suit asks for the amount equal all its California profits, said Philip Neumark, a consumer lawyer taking part in the suit. He said the money could be paid to workers or consumers, as determined by the trial judge.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
Becoming partly cloudy with a northwest wind of 10 to 15 mph, today's high will be in the high 60s. Tonight's low, low 40s. Tomorrow, sunny with a high of 70.

REGIONAL FORECAST
WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, mostly clear. Low in the upper 30s. Light and variable wind. Wednesday, mostly sunny with a high in the middle 70s. Northwest wind 5-10 mph, becoming light and variable.

Northwest wind 5-10 mph, becoming light and variable. Tonight, clear with a low 35-40. Wednesday, sunny with a high in the lower 70s. Wednesday night, fair. Low 40-45. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight, clear with a low near 40. Wednesday, sunny with a high in the upper 70s. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, clear with a low in the upper 30s. Wednesday, sunny with a high in the mid 70s. Far

West Texas — Tonight, clear with a low in the lower 40s. Wednesday, sunny with a high in the upper 70s. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, clear with a low around 35 mountains and near 50 along the Rio Grande.

NORTH TEXAS — Tonight and Wednesday, clear to partly cloudy. Low 41 to 45. High 72 to 76. Extended forecast, Wednesday night, fair. Low in the 40s.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, clear and cool. Lows in the upper 40s, near 40 Hill Country. Wednesday, sunny. Highs near 80. Wednesday night, clear. Lows near 50. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, clear and cool. Lows in the upper 40s inland to mid 50s coast. Wednesday, sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 70s. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Tonight, clear. Lows near 60 coast to the lower 50s inland.

Wednesday, sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. Wednesday night, clear. Lows in the lower 60s coast to the mid 50s inland. Deep South Texas — Tonight, cloudy. Lows in the mid 60s coast to near 60 inland.

Wednesday, becoming mostly sunny. High in the upper 70s to near 80. Wednesday night, clear. Lows in the mid to upper 50s.

BORDER STATES
NEW MEXICO — Tonight, mostly fair skies. Lows upper teens to the lower 30s mountains, 30s to mid 40s lower elevations. Wednesday and Wednesday night, mostly fair skies and warmer. Highs mid 50s to around 70 mountains, upper 60s to lower 80s elsewhere. Lows 20s and 30s mountains, 30s and 40s at lower elevations.

OKLAHOMA — Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s to mid 40s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. High in the 70s. Wednesday night, clear. Lows in the 40s.

City briefs

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EMERGENCY JAIL Release. 24 hrs. Jack Ward, 669-9911. Adv.

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Jury rules against anti-abortion groups

CHICAGO (AP) — Opening the door for claims across the nation, a federal jury relying on a racketeering law aimed at the mob said threats and violence used by anti-abortion leaders amounted to extortion.

Defense attorneys immediately promised an appeal of Monday's landmark decision that could cost the movement millions of dollars. Anti-abortion leaders said protests would go on, though one said demonstrations may become more "prayerful."

"This is the biggest courtroom defeat for the anti-abortion movement ever," said Fay Clayton, a National Organization for Women attorney who fought to keep the class-action lawsuit alive through 12 years of pre-trial skirmishing.

The jury of two men and four women returned its verdict against activists Joseph Scheidler, Andrew Scholberg and Timothy Murphy as well as two anti-abortion groups,

the Pro-Life Action League and Operation Rescue.

Operation Rescue founder Randall Terry originally was named in the lawsuit. But already facing \$169,000 in court awards from two other lawsuits, he settled with NOW in January and was no longer part of the case.

The defendants played a major role in organizing clinic blockades that sometimes flared into violence. But they said they are against violence and shouldn't be blamed for the excesses of others.

They were sued by NOW and two clinics that have been the targets of some of those demonstrations.

Following a six-week trial before U.S. District Judge David Coar, the jury found that the defendants banded together in a nationwide extortion campaign based on violence and threats designed to force clinics to close.

The jury awarded nearly \$86,000 in damages, but

the amount will be tripled to \$258,000 because the lawsuit was filed under the federal Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organizations law, known as RICO. And perhaps 1,000 other clinics across the nation will now be eligible to seek triple damages.

"They want to bankrupt us — there's no question about that," Scheidler, executive director of the league, said as he left court.

The 1970 racketeering law was intended to fight organized crime but has been used against business in recent years. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1994 that RICO could be used in a class-action suit against the anti-abortion movement.

"RICO is terribly flawed, fatally vague and overbroad," said one defense attorney, Tom Brejcha. "Combined with use of federal or state statutes against those who would engage in peaceful, non-violent civil disobedience, RICO tramples the First Amendment."

Cardinal Francis George of Chicago called the decision "unjust" and said the archdiocese might join in the appeal.

"The decision in this case effectively equates freedom of speech with racketeering," he said. "If the courts had been used to stop the organized sit-ins at lunch counters throughout the South in the '60s, there would have been no civil rights movement."

Coar scheduled a hearing for Wednesday at which he is expected to discuss a court order to curb violence at clinics.

Coar barred abortion-rights attorneys from introducing evidence that they claimed would tie the

defendants to more than a decade of bombings and arsons at clinics around the country. But he allowed them to tell jurors of doctors and patients being grabbed, pushed, struck with protest signs and threatened.

"A jury of six men and women saw through the thugs' shameless attempt to pervert the First Amendment," NOW President Patricia Ireland said.

Scheidler said the verdict wouldn't deter the movement from pushing ahead with demonstrations.

"We're still going to be at the abortion mills, probably in greater numbers, but in a more prayerful spirit," Scheidler said.

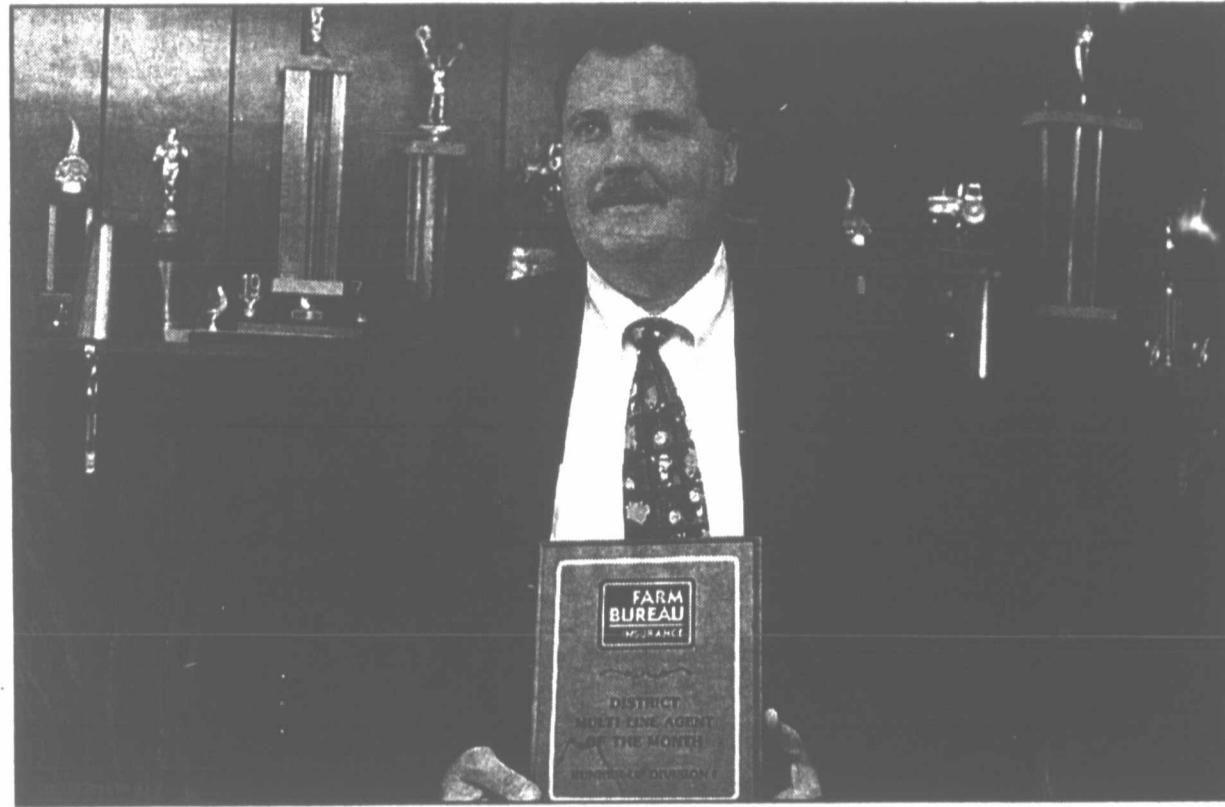
He said the most militant protests have ended in recent years and that lately demonstrators have begun to hand out rosaries and ask potential patients to pray with them.

"We wanted to come out as a legitimate force in America and not as racketeers," Scheidler said. "There is no honor in being a racketeer and we're not racketeers."

The damages were awarded to clinics in Milwaukee and Wilmington, Del., for security measures required after violence flared outside their doors.

After the verdict, Wendy Crew, an attorney for New Woman All Women Clinic of Birmingham, Ala., said the clinic may seek triple damages under the ruling. A security guard was killed and a nurse seriously injured there Jan. 29 in the first fatal bombing of a U.S. abortion clinic.

Farm Bureau agent



(Community Camera Photo)

Congratulations to David Hayens, servicing agent for Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau. He was named runner up for the Multi-Line Award for District I during the monthly district meeting held in Amarillo recently. District I represents a 26 county area for the Texas Panhandle and represents 56 agents.

Panhandle Square House Museum to host 'Joy Thomas' exhibition

PANHANDLE — The Square House Museum in Panhandle will host a show by nationally recognized portrait and landscape artist Joy Thomas. The exhibit can be seen in the Square House Annex gallery through the end of May. Public hours are 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday and from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission to the Museum and the exhibit is free of charge.

Although a long-time resident of Kentucky, Thomas has deep roots in Carson and Hutchinson counties of the Texas Panhandle. She was born in Borger and lived in Stinnett until the age of six. Even more remarkable is the fact that her maternal grandmother, Carmen Hawkins Yates, actually lived in the Square House where her granddaughter's works are being shown. Her grandfather, William Doyle Yates, is buried in the Panhandle Cemetery.

As a painter of portraits, still lifes and landscapes, Thomas is proficient in watercolor, pastel and oil. She has received national and international awards, including a

Holbein Award in 1989. In 1996, she received the First Place Prize in Portrait Painting from the American Society of Portrait Artists and became one of the first five painters elected to signature membership by the society.

Her career and paintings were profiled in the November 1996 issue of "American Artist" magazine. "The Artist's Magazine" published an article written by Thomas in April 1997, and North Light Books featured her portrait work in the recent book, "The Best of Portrait Painting."

The National Portrait Gallery of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., has recognized Thomas' work and invited her to provide a portfolio for their archives. Her paintings have been selected for many juried exhibitions, among them the historic Salmagundi Club and the National Arts Club of New York City, where she was honored with three awards in 1991.

Thomas began drawing and

painting as a child. She majored in fine arts in college and has studied at the Woodstock School of Art in New York on scholarship from the Pastel Society of America, the Scottsdale Artist's School in Arizona, the Fechin Institute of Taos, New Mexico and the Lyme Academy of Fine Arts in Old Lyme, Conn.

She has made her home in Kentucky since 1965 with her husband Fred, who works as her business manager and framer, and their three children. Thomas also lectures and teaches workshops nationally. In describing her philosophy, she stated, "Artistic ability is not a fit ... it is an achievement that requires study, thought and work."

The exhibit at the Square House Museum includes 21 paintings, including seven portraits, 13 landscapes and one still life. Most are done in oil, with several pastels, a charcoal and a graphite sketch. This sketch is a portrait of Grandfather Yates, drawn in 1992 shortly before his death.

The public will have an opportunity to meet Joy Thomas during an artist's reception to be held from 7-9 p.m. on Thursday, May 28 in the gallery of the museum.

Students request meeting with AG

AUSTIN (AP) — They were stymied in their effort to meet with Attorney General Dan Morales, but two dozen University of Texas students are unshaken in their demand for him to appeal an anti-affirmative action court ruling.

"Our job at this point is to continue the struggle, continue to organize on campus," said Oscar de la Torre, a graduate student at the University of Texas' Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs who organized a Monday march on Morales' office building.

The students staged a brief sit-in in the building's lobby but left without getting to see him.

"The attorney general has denied us access and opportunity with his interpretation of the Hopwood decision, and today he denies us access and opportunity to talk to him on the matter ... There is no justice in the attorney general's office," de la Torre said.

Morales spokesman Ward Tisdale said the attorney general "is glad to meet with people, but based on an appointment. Just to show up and demand a meeting is not an appropriate way to go about doing it."

The debate is over the case named after

Cheryl Hopwood, one of four whites who sued after being denied admission to the UT law school. A 1996 federal court ruling in that case has left state colleges and universities unable to consider race in admissions and financial aid.

A recent injunction against racial preferences by a federal judge, in connection with a ruling on Hopwood attorney fees, opened the way for a new appeal. But Morales said he doesn't know whether he will pursue one, noting that he opposes such preferences.

Students demonstrating in favor of an appeal were kept from Morales' secure eighth-floor office by his security detail because they didn't have an appointment. The students were told they could wait in the ground-floor lobby.

They did so for less than an hour, sitting part of the time and chanting, "Dan Morales, you can't hide. We've got justice on our side."

The students then moved toward the elevators but were blocked by security. At one point, they collected dollar bills and change and held the money up to one of Morales' special agents, suggesting campaign contributors would get in.

State briefs

Moynihan says Russia may view NATO as a threat

DALLAS (AP) — The expansion of NATO to include three Eastern European nations could ultimately lead the United States "into the catastrophe of nuclear war with Russia," warns Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

The New York Democrat said Monday that the addition of Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization could be perceived as a threat by Russia, which is suffering from an economic and political leadership crisis.

Moynihan made his comments at the annual luncheon of The Associated Press at the Newspaper Association of America's convention, scheduled to continue through Wednesday.

Moynihan warned that U.S.-Russian relations could disintegrate dangerously if the expansion goes forward.

Customs agents target illegal smuggling of relics
SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A new

kind of smuggling is overwhelming U.S. Customs inspectors along Texas' border with Mexico.

Ancient relics dating to the Aztec, Maya and other pre-Columbian civilizations are being pillaged, smuggled across the U.S. border and sold in a lucrative market believed to be second only to drug trafficking.

At a seminar for Customs inspectors last week in Laredo, archeologists and historians said they fear the smuggling across Latin America is increasing as commerce mounts under the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Overwhelmed Customs inspectors, looking out mostly for drugs or illegal immigrants, are not only unable to check every truck or person coming across, but also don't know what to look for, the San Antonio Express-News reported.

Property owners allege malpractice

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) — A San Antonio judge is among lawyers being sued by property

owners they represented in a 1996 lawsuit against Fina Oil and Chemical Co. of Dallas.

The suit, filed Friday by about 100 plaintiffs, alleges malpractice, fraud and negligence during a suit seeking \$225 million for property damage allegedly caused by testing for natural gas.

Defendants, who could not be reached Monday for comment, include Roberto M. Garcia and Raymundo Lopez of Edinburg, and Craig L. White, John Phillip Watkins, and Patrick J. Boone of San Antonio, court records show.

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Man on death row since age 17

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Seventeen-year-old Joseph Cannon already was no stranger to trouble when Anne Walsh, a San Antonio attorney whose brother had represented Cannon, agreed to let him live at her home in September 1977 while on probation for burglary.

Mrs. Walsh, a mother of eight, was dead a few days later — fatally shot by Cannon, who found a gun in her home.

Cannon, who has spent more

than half of his 38 years on Texas' death row, is set for lethal injection Wednesday evening for her slaying. Only an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court that cites international treaties setting 18 as the minimum age for executions stands between Cannon and the lethal needle.

"It's going to go through," Cannon said in an interview last week. "I've thought about it for about a year. I sort of expect the worst and hope for the best."

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Opinion

Feds should stay out of mergers

Recent proposed mergers among banking giants would be a good excuse to rewrite some outdated federal laws.

Federal banking laws prohibit banks from offering insurance services and insurance companies from offering banking services - a potential sticking point in the \$85 billion Travelers-Citicorp deal.

The relevant law, the Glass-Steagall Act of 1933, was passed in the midst of a depression. It authorized federal deposit insurance and prohibited banks from owning brokerage houses, a practice at the time that some believed contributed to the economic depression. Various laws of the era established strict demarcations among banks, savings and loans, credit unions, insurance companies, securities firms and underwriters and were supposed to protect consumers, but over the years they created little more than government-protected cartels, often slow to respond to market needs and demands.

Congress has been considering radical changes in those laws and almost took up a bill recently called Financial Services Modernization Act. The bill was pulled because it was due to be considered under a rule that combined it with a simpler and less far-reaching bill that changes rules for credit unions, according to David Runkel of the House Banking Committee. Credit union lobbyists and most congressmen wanted to consider banking reform separately.

The modernization act is now on the congressional agenda for the week of May 4, and that's good news.

The reform, among other things, would repeal the 1933 laws that separate banking from the securities business, and a 1956 law that separates banking from insurance. It would leave in place the state and federal regulatory structure for banking, securities, insurance and other financial services.

Although the principals expect some mergers to be allowed under provisions for temporary exceptions, if a bill like this proposal isn't passed within a few years, such mergers which many believe are essential for U.S. banks to compete with Japanese and European banks that already offer a wider range of financial services, could be in legal jeopardy.

There was never a sound reason to create the many strict legal distinctions among financial services. Repealing those old laws and letting customers and providers, through the constant, subtle interplay of voluntary transactions, decide who will offer what services, has been a good idea for decades. In today's international marketplace it is virtually essential.

There are plenty of reasons the various merger deals might fail. Perhaps it's a flawed strategic call as General Electric, American Express and Sears and Roebuck found in the 1980s with their "financial supermarket" concept. Perhaps Travelers chairman Sanford Weill and Citibank chairman John Reed won't be able to make a co-presidency work. Perhaps international customers aren't ready for one-stop shopping.

But one reason this deal shouldn't fail? Needless government regulation.

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Government education is bad

There is little or no dispute that government schools are doing a grossly inferior job. For decades, report after report shows that American education is not only bad, but it's getting worse. Yet government schools enjoy a virtual monopoly and no accountability.

While education is bad generally, that received by black youngsters is no less than criminal. This is despite the fact that public expenditures are greater for inner-city schools than most other places.

If there anyone who can make a credible argument that more money and more teachers, as Clinton proposes, will make education better two years from now, five years, 10 years or ever?

Parents have little confidence that government schools can or will be improved. In April 1997, the Washington-based Joint Center for Political Studies reported that 70 percent of blacks who earn less than \$15,000 a year supported school choice; 86 percent of blacks aged 25 to 35 supported school choice. A 1997 poll conducted by the Center for Education Reform found 82 percent of the general public supports school choice.

There are a few public and private school-choice programs. Milwaukee's program provides impoverished inner-city children with scholarships to attend private schools. A Harvard University study showed Milwaukee's poor students attending choice schools scored higher on basic math and reading tests. The program's average scholarship is \$4,400, compared to \$7,400 per-child cost in government schools, where



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fewer than 10 percent of its 8th- and 10th-graders tested proficient in math and reading.

Nationwide, there are over 35 privately sponsored scholarship programs serving nearly 20,000 low-income children with a waiting list of 40,000 parents wanting to participate. Then there are a number of excellent black-owned and operated schools like Marva Collins Westside Preparatory School, Marcus Garvey School and Ivy Leaf School. All of these schools have large waiting lists.

Given our rotten school system and the broad public support for school choice, a natural question arises: Why don't we have school choice? The answer is easy. The competition and accountability that would emerge from school choice does not serve the interests of the teaching establishment, and they have massive resources and political power to sabotage or forestall school-choice programs. Whenever a school-choice program is proposed or started, the usual

suspects line up to oppose it in the courts and legislature, and the usual suspects are the NAACP, American Federation of Teachers (AFT) and the National Education Association (NEA).

Politicians listen to them, and understandably so. According to the record of the Center for Responsive Politics, during the last election cycle the AFT and NEA were among the Democratic Party's top contributors. They gave 99 percent of their members' political donations to Democratic candidates. A goodly number of NAACP members are government school teachers; thus, the NAACP protects the interests of their members and the alliances they've made, and the heck with black children. They all utter the amazing piety that school choice will destroy our public schools. Even if the Ku Klux Klan ran the schools, they couldn't do a better job of sabotaging black education.

The education establishment's days are numbered; for even liberal politicians are owning up to our education disaster. Sens. Joe Biden, D-Del., Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., and Bob Kerry, D-Neb., now support choice experiments. Other supporters of note, on the more liberal side of the political spectrum, include Martin Luther King's niece Alveda King, columnist William Raspberry and former New York Congressman Floyd Flake.

The nation's children don't need to be protected from tobacco as much as they need to be protected from gutter-quality, dangerous government schools.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, April 21, the 111th day of 1998. There are 254 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 21, 1918, Baron Manfred von Richthofen, the German ace known as the "Red Baron," was killed in action during World War I.

On this date:

In 1649, the Maryland Toleration

Act, which provided for freedom of worship for all Christians, was passed by the Maryland assembly.

In 1789, John Adams was sworn in as the first vice president of the United States.

In 1836, an army of Texans led by Sam Houston defeated the Mexicans at San Jacinto, assuring Texas independence.

In 1910, author Samuel Langhorne Clemens, better known

as Mark Twain, died in Redding, Conn.

In 1940, the quiz show that asked the "64-dollar question," "Take It or Leave It," premiered on CBS Radio.

In 1960, Brazil inaugurated its new capital, Brasilia, transferring the seat of national government from Rio de Janeiro.

In 1972, Apollo 16 astronauts John Young and Charles Duke

explored the surface of the moon.

In 1975, South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu resigned after 10 years in office.

In 1977, the musical play "Annie" opened on Broadway.

In 1986, a vault in Chicago's Lexington Hotel that was linked to Al Capone was opened during a live TV special hosted by Geraldo Rivera. Except for a sign and a few bottles, the vault was empty.

California's college and true diversity

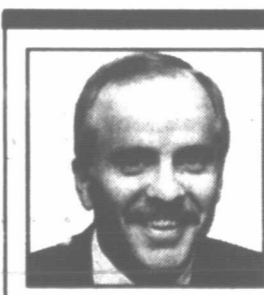
Supporters of affirmative action have been predicting the end of the world ever since the passage of a California ballot initiative barring racial preferences in state universities and other government agencies. Recently they were invited to say, "I told you so," and they didn't miss the chance.

"Big Drop in Minority Enrollment," proclaimed The New York Times in its story on how blacks and Hispanics fared worse this year in undergraduate admissions in the University of California system. The numbers seem to support the alarmists who said that adopting colorblind policies would make California's top public universities about as racially diverse as a Barry Manilow concert. At Berkeley, the most selective school, the number of blacks admitted dropped by 57 percent; at UCLA, it was off 40 percent. Hispanic acceptances fell 40 percent and 33 percent at the two colleges.

"We are seeing these campuses revert to a race-exclusive status," charged a lawyer for the NAACP. Berkeley administrators expressed alarm at the coming decline in diversity. Even some longtime critics of racial preferences were taken aback.

But Californians who voted for Proposition 209 have no cause for remorse. Why? First, because the news reports greatly exaggerate the effects of the new policy. Second, because when your thermometer shows you have a fever, you don't blame the thermometer. The admissions numbers only expose the fact that under the old system, these universities were admitting many underqualified students just to get the racial numbers right, all in the name of a "diversity" that was no more than skin-deep.

Overlooked amid the chorus of lamentations is that when all the University of California schools are included, so-called minority admissions fell by much less - 18 percent for blacks and 7 percent for



Stephen Chapman

Chapman is a nationally syndicated columnist.

Hispanics. What this means is students who might have gotten into Berkeley under the old rules will instead be attending the University of California at Davis or Riverside, where their academic credentials suggest they can compete with everyone else.

Affirmative-action proponents scoff at the value of grades and SAT scores in predicting college performance. But at Berkeley in the years of racial preferences, when those criteria were de-emphasized for favored applicants, 42 percent of African-Americans and 33 percent of Latinos ended up dropping out - compared with 16 percent of whites.

Colorblind policies do students like these an unrecognized favor by diverting them to schools where they are much more likely to succeed. Scholars Stephan and Abigail Thernstrom, in fact, calculate that thanks to abolition of racial preferences, the number of graduates from the various University of California campuses will actually rise by 19 percent for blacks and 17 percent for Latinos. Is a 22-year-old better off with a degree from the University of California at San Diego or no degree from Berkeley? You don't have to be a Phi Beta Kappa to answer that.

The drop in these two minorities at some schools doesn't mean California campuses will soon resemble a joint family reunion of the Cabots

and Lodges. When advocates of racial preferences predict the disappearance of minorities from the top schools, they are somehow forgetting one significant group - Asian-Americans. Their admissions numbers were stable at Berkeley and up slightly at UCLA. But somehow, members of this group have been redefined as the moral equivalent of WASPs. So have Cuban-Americans, who unlike Mexican-Americans were not deemed "underrepresented" on campus.

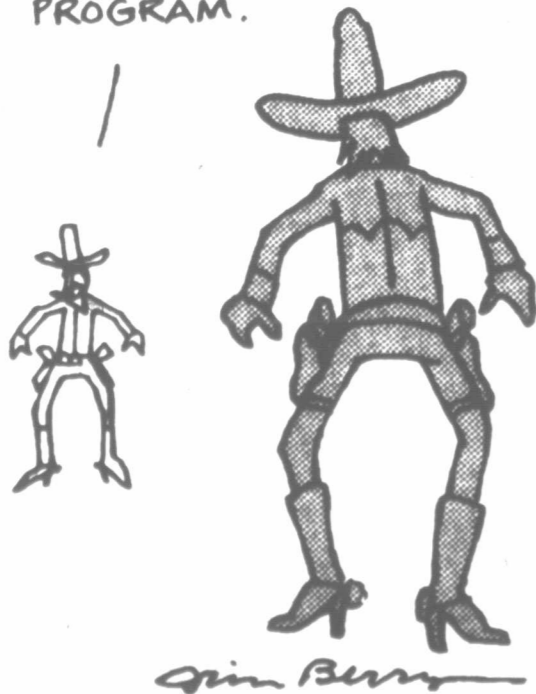
A different racial mix does not necessarily translate into less diversity in any intelligible sense of the term. At Berkeley, admissions officers responded to Proposition 209 by putting more weight on such factors as a low-income background, which they assumed would help blacks and Hispanics. Instead, they found themselves accepting more poor Asian-Americans and whites.

UCLA has made the same discovery. "The fact is that a lot of the blacks we admit are middle-class, second- or third-generation in college, while many of the Asian-Americans are poor," said university relations director Jeffrey Hirsch. Another UCLA official has complained about the influx of immigrants from places like Iran, Ukraine and Korea - as if they did nothing to enrich the school. If a Cambodian daughter of refugees displaces a wealthy Hispanic from Bel Air in Berkeley's class of 2002, it's hard to detect any loss in diversity.

Proposition 209 gets the blame for reducing black and Latino representation. But the true blame lies with schools that have failed to prepare these students for the most demanding colleges. The fallout from colorblind admissions will be a powerful spur to improve education for kids long before they get to college. That would do them, and California's universities, far more good than racial preferences ever did.

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Jonesboro spurs gun control legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gun control advocates are using the Arkansas school shooting to press a reluctant Republican Congress to take up bills that would ban the sale of some ammunition magazines and require safety locks on guns.

Since the March 24 school ambush in Jonesboro, Ark., that left five dead, gun control advocates have introduced legislation that would close a loophole in the 1994 Crime Control Act and ban the sale of all ammunition magazines holding more than 10 rounds. Another bill would impose criminal penalties on adults who don't properly store or have safety locks on a firearm that a child uses to harm others.

President Clinton, meanwhile, issued an executive order permanently banning importation of 58 assault-style weapons modified to skirt 1994 restrictions on such firearms.

Supporters of each measure cited Jonesboro in stressing the urgency for action. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Rep. Diana DeGette, D-Colo., said the boys accused of the Arkansas shootings used a 15-round ammunition magazine. Sens. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., and John Chafee, R-R.I., said the boys allegedly stole their weapons from one boy's relative, and their child access bill would hold that adult accountable.

The guns used at Jonesboro are not covered by Clinton's extended ban, but White House Press Secretary Mike McCurry said the president acted "within the context of a nation that is still grieving" from the incident.

But opponents of gun control said it was wrong to use gun incidents for political purposes.

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rather than trying to make political hay out of it." "Those who advocate gun control are exploiting the terrible grief surrounding the tragedy in Jonesboro," said Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho.

Such tactics have worked in the past. One of the first gun control laws, to restrict sawed-off shotguns, machine guns and silencers, came in 1934 after an assassination attempt on President Roosevelt and widespread gang killings.

The major gun control act of 1968 barring imports of

non-sporting weapons including "Saturday Night Specials" followed the assassinations of Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King.

President Bush banned imports of assault-style weapons in 1989, the year a drifter opened fire on a Stockton, Calif., schoolyard with an AK-47 and other weapons, killing five children and wounding 29 others.

The Brady Bill, requiring a five-day waiting period and background checks on handgun purchasers, was enacted Nov. 30, 1993. The next year, the crime act banned future manufacture and imports of semiautomatic assault-style firearms.

In the background were the January 1993 killing of two people stopped in traffic outside CIA headquarters by a Pakistani gunman, the July 1993 murders of seven in a San Francisco office building by a lone man and another man's December 1993 shooting rampage on a Long Island commuter train that killed six.

But under Republican leadership of Congress, there's been a stalemate at best on gun control legislation, said Bob Walker, president of Handgun Control. Congress did make it a crime for people convicted of wife-beating or child abuse to own a gun. However, the House also voted to repeal the ban on assault-style firearms — the Senate didn't go along — and efforts to require child safety locks on guns failed last year.

Feinstein and DeGette said they hoped Congress would act because the nation was so horrified by the accounts of heavily armed 13- and 11-year-old Jonesboro boys killing their classmates.

Shalala endorses needle exchanges to help fight AIDS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration refused on Monday to use federal tax dollars to buy clean needles for drug addicts, even though it said needle exchanges fight AIDS without encouraging illegal drug use.

Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala said her scientific endorsement should encourage more communities to start their own needle exchanges.

But Shalala, under orders from the White House, sidestepped a political fight with conservatives and stopped short of providing communities with federal money to let addicts swap dirty needles for clean ones.

Half of all people who catch HIV are infected by needles or by sex with injecting drug users, or are children of infected addicts.

The decision bitterly disappointed AIDS activists, who said they couldn't recall another medical program the government had declared lifesaving but refused to try to pay for.

"They've now said we know how to save lives and we don't want to do what's necessary to save the lives," said an angry Dr. Scott Hitt, chairman of President Clinton's AIDS advisory council. "This administration is now publicly stating how to slow it (the AIDS epidemic) down and is saying they lack the courage to do it."

"It's like saying the world is not flat but not funding Columbus' voyage," added Daniel Zingale of AIDS Action.

Republicans continued to argue that needle exchanges were bad policy, and Rep. Gerald Solomon, R-N.Y., said he would push for Congress to ban federal funding altogether in case Shalala changed her mind.

Nation briefs

Report: Schools chancellor vows to fail sub-par students

NEW YORK (AP) — The chancellor of the nation's largest public school system vowed to fail elementary school students who have not mastered basic skills.

Chancellor Rudy Crew said Monday that, beginning in the spring of 2000, he wanted to hold back fourth- and seventh-graders who do not perform at their grade level, The New York Times reported today.

Crew was to present his proposal on Wednesday to the Board of Education, the Times said.

Crew said he wanted to give schools two years to identify at-risk students and provide intensive remedial help to avoid widespread failures.

If the policy were implemented immediately, Crew said an estimated 50,000 pupils would be left back.

Law would require notice of sexual offenders on driver's licenses

DOVER, Del. (AP) — Sex offenders in Delaware must be identified with a special note on their driver's licenses under a new statute that takes Megan's Law further than any other state.

The new law will ensure that other states know the offender's status when a new driver's license is sought and the old one turned in, said Rep. Roger Roy, the bill's sponsor.

Gov. Thomas Carper signed the law Monday.

Megan's Law, passed in 48 states, requires sex offenders to register with law enforcement officials so the community can be notified.

"I believe it (the designation as a sex offender) follows you forever," Roy said. "This is another tool in the toolbox for police."

Under the legislation, anyone convicted of a sex offense would be required to get a new driver's license after his or her release from prison.

On that license, there would be a letter "Y" designation, indicating the person was a sex offender. The designation would be explained on the back of the license, with the usual explanations of driving restrictions, such as the need to wear glasses.

Padlocked marijuana club changes name, director

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — New name, new director — same pungent smell.

The city's largest medical marijuana club was to reopen today with cosmetic changes designed to get around an eviction notice.

Dennis Peron, founder of the Cannabis Cultivators Club, and his followers complied peacefully Monday with the eviction order won by state Attorney General Dan Lungren.

Even as he ordered the club vacated, San Francisco Sheriff Mike Hennessey said he was sympathetic to the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes.

The sheriff also said he would not move against the club's successor agency, the Cannabis Healing Center, and its new director, Hazel Rogers.

Peron started the club four years ago and was a prime mover behind the successful 1996 drive for the state's medicinal marijuana law, which allows the sale of

marijuana to patients for medical use. On Monday, he emerged from the club with his belongings — including a pot plant — packed in a cardboard box.

The court order to close down the club was based on pot sales to caregivers, rather than patients. Peron, who has sold pot to caregivers, called the issue a technicality that Lungren had seized on, but took responsibility for the error.

Cop gets probation, community service for resisting arrest

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — A black police major convicted of resisting arrest during an illegal traffic stop by white officers was sentenced to a year of probation and ordered to spend 75 hours teaching young people to respect authorities.

Miami-Dade police Maj. Aaron Campbell, who claimed he was stopped because his race and Miami license tag fit the profile of a drug suspect, was also ordered to pay more than \$8,400 in court costs and a \$750 fine Monday.

The Miami-Dade Police Department, which suspended Campbell without pay after his April 1997 arrest, said after the sentencing that the 27-year veteran can return to his \$85,000-a-year job and will probably get full back pay.

A tearful Campbell apologized for his behavior. "I regret that I didn't control my anger better," Campbell said in court.

During the videotaped encounter, Campbell, 55, snatched his driver's license away from an officer and repeat-

edly refused to obey orders to put his hands up and get on the ground. When he backed away, he was sprayed with pepper spray. He then tried to walk away, and an officer jumped on his back. He walked a quarter-mile before surrendering.

Assaults, sex allegations close Colorado youth prison

DENVER (AP) — It was the suicide of a 13-year-old boy that first got state officials worried.

Their two-month investigation found more problems: female staffers who had sex with boys, physical and verbal and emotional abuse of inmates.

On Monday, the state revoked the license of the High Plains Youth Center, concluding that the prison posed a danger to the inmates. It will be shut down Thursday and the 69 remaining inmates sent to institutions in their home states.

Barbara McDonnell, head of the Department of Human Services, said High Plains' staff was unqualified and insufficient for the number of inmates. The center also admitted youths with special mental and emotional health needs "when it was neither licensed nor qualified to serve them," she said.

Rebound Corp., which operates the prison and four other facilities in Colorado, will comply with the ruling, according to spokesman Tom Schilling. On Friday, the company filed a notice of intent to sue the state for false statements.

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Tax rate* for 1990: 28.1%		
Tax rate* for 1997: 28.2%		

*as percent of total income

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Debate begins on savings bill

By ROBERT GREENE
AP Education Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Using rhetoric more likely to score political points than produce legislation, the Senate is taking up a long-delayed bill that would create tax breaks for private school tuition and other education expenses.

Debate began Monday on the bill, which would allow savings accounts to be created for children to meet costs of attending grade school or high school. Interest buildup and withdrawals would be tax-free, although the contributions of up to \$2,000 a year would be taxed.

The measure would also permit expanded savings for college. A version passed last year allowed college savings of up to \$500 a year.

The Clinton administration promises to veto the new measure because of its support for private, pre-collegiate education.

Democratic and Republican lawmakers are using the core bill and a string of amendments to illustrate their competing agendas for education this election year. Democrats earlier had used parliamentary moves in an attempt to block debate on the bill.

Democratic amendments call for federal support of school construction through interest subsidies for school bonds and the hiring of teachers in poor areas by forgiving their student loans. Others seek to reduce class size and expand after-school programs.

Education Secretary Richard Riley described the savings bill as phony reform while the nation faces problems of teacher shortages and crumbling, overcrowded schools.

"The votes over the next several days will clarify whether this is a Congress that wants to represent the American people with meaningful action that makes a real difference, or with marginal legislation that makes phony claims of fundamental improvement," Riley told reporters at a joint appearance with Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

Republican amendments would convert about \$11 billion in Education Department programs into grants to states or

school districts, permanently ban national tests and create incentives for merit pay and competency testing of teachers.

Daschle accused Republican leaders of catering to their party's right wing. Earlier, Senate Majority Leader

of the tax breaks and amendments, said Lott.

The Christian Coalition and the National Center for Home Education, which supports home schooling, issued statements favoring the bill.

But the Christian right isn't the only supporter.

Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., is a co-sponsor. Among those at the rally was Alveda C. King, niece of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King and a former Democratic lawmaker in Georgia.

At least 100 black youngsters from a local religious school attended the rally favoring the tax breaks.

"Our parents send us to these schools so we can get a better

break than they had," said Simone Missouri, 16, who attends the National Christian Academy in Fort Washington, Md.

As they debate the bill, both sides continued to argue over who really would benefit from the breaks, estimated at \$6 billion over 10 years, and whether the bill would spark a savings boom. Supporters emphasize that parents of public school children could use the savings for computers, tutors and other expenses.

Opponents say the benefits are small, helping parents who can already afford to send their children to private school. More than half the benefits would go to 7 percent of taxpayers, they say.

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"Federal policy should empower parents, it should give flexibility to governors and local school districts," Sen. Paul Coverdell, R-Ga., the bill's chief sponsor, told a rally outside the Capitol.

Trent Lott of Mississippi told reporters the bill and certain amendments in fact would appeal to the conservative wing.

"I think that a lot of conservatives feel very strongly about education, and are very support-

Microsoft Corp., federal court judge to argue case in appeals process

WASHINGTON (AP) - Microsoft Corp. says it should be allowed to improve its products without government interference. But the government says the giant computer software maker is elbowing its way into the Internet browser market unfairly.

So far, a federal court judge has sided with the government, telling Microsoft to stop forcing computer makers who offer its dominant Windows 95 operating system to also offer the Microsoft Internet Explorer for viewing the World Wide Web.

But in an appeals court hearing today that ultimately will affect nearly all home computer users, Microsoft was arguing that the judge went too far. The Justice Department also was to present the government's case to the three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

A ruling could come one to three months later, experts said, a period that includes the June 25 release date for Microsoft's new Windows 98.

Microsoft said its free Internet browser is so integrated with the latest versions of its popular computer operating system that it can't be easily separated. The browser is vital to the company because of the Internet's burgeoning popularity and because of its future as its own software platform and a vehicle for electronic commerce.

The Justice Department, which is considering a broader antitrust case against Microsoft, contends the practice of "tying" the sale of Windows 95 to the use of Internet Explorer is anti-competitive and "plain wrong." Microsoft argues that it should be allowed to upgrade its products - by integrating new features - free of government meddling.

"Ultimately, the issue has been about a longer-lasting importance, a fundamental question of whether computer companies can keep adding new features to products," Microsoft General Counsel Brad Smith said.

Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates told CNNfn on Monday night that

the software maker was willing to begin a public fight to protect its stance. "The people believe in allowing great products to move forward, and there's been a lot of misinformation put out by the competitors," he said. "They're willing to spend a lot of money, and so I guess that's a new area of expertise that we'll have to develop."

Microsoft also said U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson overstepped his authority when he appointed a "special master," Harvard University law professor Lawrence Lessig, to consider important technical issues in the case. Microsoft claimed Lessig was biased against it, and that the judge tried to give Lessig too much authority.

Today's hearing on those two issues was seen by many as a prelude to larger questions about Microsoft's business practices and whether it enjoys an illegal monopoly. Currently, 85 percent of the personal computers in the world use Windows. And 95 percent of the new computers on the market come with Windows 95 already installed.

Nearly a dozen state attorneys general have been looking at the company, and the Justice Department's top antitrust lawyer, Joel Klein, has pledged "an active and continuing investigation into several Microsoft business practices."

The debate has become such public spectacle in Washington that today's hearing was moved to the courthouse's 200-seat ceremonial courtroom, more than twice the size as the normal room where these arguments take place.

It wasn't clear - even to Microsoft - how any court ruling might affect the launch of Windows 98, which also falls under the restrictions of a 1995 consent decree the company made with the government. Smith, the company's general counsel, said the original Justice complaint focused on Windows 95. But any ruling forcing Microsoft to separate the browser from Windows 98 would be even more problematic because it's much more tightly integrated than under Windows 95.

Lawyers: Politics behind case against Marines in cablecar accident in Italy

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) - Political pressure hurried an investigation and led to unfair charges against the crew of a Marine jet that cut a gondola cable in Italy, killing 20 people, lawyers for two crewmen say.

After a military hearing Monday, one lawyer said he wanted to question the commanding generals who had spoken to witnesses.

"We are concerned about political pressure and the effect that can have," said Dave Beck, who represents the plane's navigator, Capt. Joseph Schweitzer. He wouldn't elaborate on the pressure.

"It was a tragic accident," Beck said. "The question is was there criminal negligence. We deny that there was."

The jet, stationed at the U.S. air base in Aviano, was on a training run Feb. 3 when it sliced the cable used by the gondola packed with skiers at an Alpine ski resort, sending the car crashing into the slopes.

A Marine investigation board blamed the four-man crew for the accident, saying the members broke altitude and speed rules during the flight.

But a lawyer for the pilot of the Marine EA-6B Prowler also said political pressure was at the center of the case.

"There is certainly enough (evidence) to indicate at this point that what has happened thus far is a function of political pressure," said Frank Spinner, who represents the pilot, Capt. Richard Ashby.

Investigators also worked hastily, Spinner said.

Spinner and Beck are civilian lawyers hired by the defendants. Each crewman also has two military lawyers, none of whom spoke after the hearing, the equivalent of a grand jury proceeding.

The four men charged in the case - Ashby, Schweitzer, Capt. Chandler Seagraves and Capt. William Raney - are stationed at Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, about 30 miles northeast of Camp Lejeune.

The four are charged with involuntary manslaughter, negligent homicide, dereliction of duty, destruction of military property and destroying civilian property. Each could get 20 years in prison if convicted of manslaughter or homicide. No pleas have been entered.

Highway shut down for eight hours after hog truck overturns

BISHOP, Texas (AP) - A tractor-trailer carrying 150 Canadian hogs overturned near this South Texas town, forcing authorities to close the southbound lanes for eight hours as the animals were rounded up.

Police said 26 hogs were killed and three were injured. Officers, transportation officials and ranchers spent hours Monday freeing hogs and herding them into makeshift pens.

"I've never been any closer to pigs than sausage and bacon," said Daniel Lozano, a state trooper. "I was scared. They were scared. Poor pigs."

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Nigeria's army strongman remakes leadership, runs uncontested for president

ABUJA, Nigeria (AP) — The dictator's expressionless face gazes out from a million posters plastered on government buildings, in hotels and along public walls.

His chest covered with self-awarded medallions, his khaki uniform neatly pressed, Gen. Sani Abacha rules Nigeria from behind dark sunglasses.

The quintessential army strongman, from atop a dais or over grainy, flickering state-run television broadcasts, Abacha personifies his country's repressive army regime.

Many Nigerians hoping for a shift away from his harsh reign were disappointed Monday when the last of five government-sanctioned political parties nominated Abacha as its presidential candidate.

Abacha, who seized power in a 1993 coup and has since moved to crush all dissent, now appears poised to win August elections uncontested.

How will Gen. Abacha — who has jailed more than 7,000 dissidents and critics in his five years in power — remake himself into President Abacha? And, can Nigeria expect change more meaningful than a swap of wardrobe from army clothes to civilian robes?

"Strictly on political grounds, how can he put himself forward to contest for the presidency?" asks democracy activist Olisa Agbakoba. "Nigeria has not moved forward under Abacha, let alone benefited from his administration."

Abacha has yet to formally declare his intention to run for president, but his iron fist is already guiding the electoral process in that direction.

In a bow to pluralist politics, the Abacha government last year authorized the creation of five political parties selected for their tacit support of the military junta. The government gave all five parties \$250,000 and told them this month to nominate Abacha for the presidency. All five complied.

If the method by which Abacha engineered those nominations is a fair barometer, Nigeria is in for more of the same from their leader in his new civilian role.

It's little surprise Abacha will now stand uncontested during the August elections. His army colleagues and a core of loyal supporters insist that's best for the country. His varied and numerous opponents say he has to go.

"Gen. Abacha is disqualified on every ground, morally, constitutionally and in every other respect," says Solomon Lar, a former member of Abacha's cabinet and a leading

politician in Abacha's home northern region.

Whether as military dictator or civilian president, critics say Abacha has failed to lead Nigeria away from wholesale corruption and nepotism. Moreover, government statistics show he has driven the economy into the ground, leaving the nation with staggering debt.

"We live in poverty," says Civil Liberties Organization Vice Chairman Nwabueze Okoro. "The present government has made it impossible.

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There are no job opportunities, no infrastructure, no amenities to encourage growth or development. The government has failed us."

Up to 80 percent of the general population live in poverty, government figures indicate. From the sprawling commercial hub of Lagos to countless countryside shanties, most Nigerians live without clean water, reliable electricity or even basic health care.

The world's sixth-largest oil exporter, Nigeria can't even fill its own gas tanks. Corruption and bureaucracy have put the country's refineries out of business.

One positive result for which Abacha can take credit is his success in unifying this normally stratified and ethnically divided country. Muslims and Christians each make up about 45 percent of the population, and tension between them is often high. Abacha has been able to keep the country from descending into mass ethnic fighting.

Backing him is Youth Earnestly Ask for Abacha, or YEAA, a group solely dedicated to keeping their military strongman in power. Although leaders of YEAA say they represent a spontaneous uprising among Nigeria's youth, the organization is almost wholly funded by the military regime, a former government adviser said in an interview.

YEAA organizes rallies and holds seminars to extol the benefits of "Abachism" — a term coined by one-time pro-Abacha author Yomi Tokoya, who now stands accused of treason.

Villagers attacked by Khmer Rouge

CHHANOK TRU, Cambodia (AP) — Three days after Pol Pot died, gunfire in the night jolted Vorn Sun awake. She opened her eyes to find her sister dead, her village on fire and guerrillas emptying their weapons into her wood-and-thatch home.

She knew who the invaders were. Their uniforms were visible in the light of the flames consuming the squalid huts of Cambodian and ethnic Vietnamese fishermen.

They were Khmer Rouge. "Where are the Vietnamese? We want the Vietnamese!" the guerrillas, who harbor a rabid hatred of Cambodia's eastern neighbors, shouted as they shot up Chhanok Tru, 80 miles north of Phnom Penh.

Vorn Sun's family is Cambodian. But when her 17-year-old nephew, Choat Tru, dashed outside his burning home, a guerrilla shot him in the chest.

He was one of 22 killed in the attack early Saturday morning, including 12 ethnic Vietnamese and 10 Cambodians. Four were children. Fifteen people were

wounded and 26 homes were destroyed.

Barely five hours later, Khmer Rouge guerrillas near the border with Thailand cremated the body of their reviled former leader, Pol Pot.

"Pol Pot did this," Vorn Sun said Monday as relatives carried the coffins of her sister and nephew to their cremation pyre.

Told that Pol Pot was dead, she shook her head and said, "There are many Pol Pots."

With Pol Pot's death and Cambodia moving toward its second national election in five years, foreign governments and Cambodia observers have declared the Khmer Rouge rebel group all but finished.

Their Maoist ideology, which led to slave labor camps and bloody purges that claimed as many as 2 million lives between 1975 and 1979, has degenerated to banditry and ethnic cleansing.

Gen. Chea Saran of the Cambodian army claims the guerrillas' ranks have dwindled to 200 to 300, as they have been pushed out of their northern stronghold of Anlong Veng by mutineers sup-

ported by government troops.

But Gen. Wiwat Satarak of the Thai army task force, which monitors the Khmer Rouge, estimates their strength at 2,000, with several units operating deep inside Cambodia.

Although they no longer command the numbers to topple the government and cannot take part in July 26 elections, they add another violent element to the terror and murder that mar campaigning by the country's political factions.

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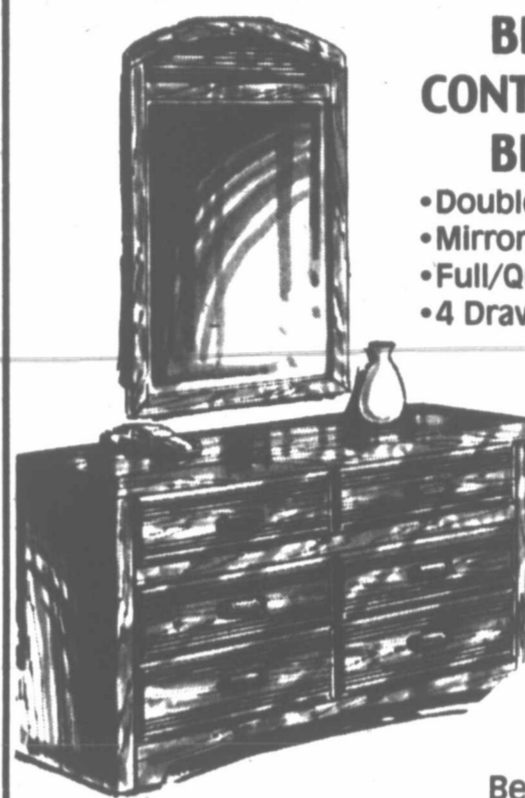
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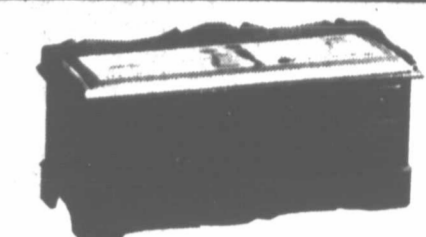


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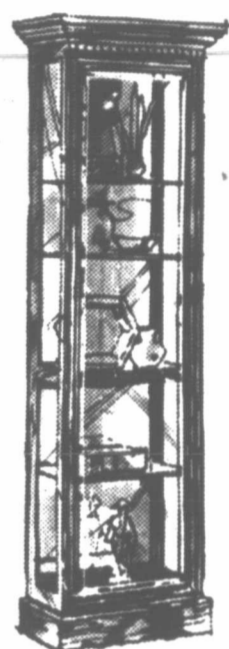
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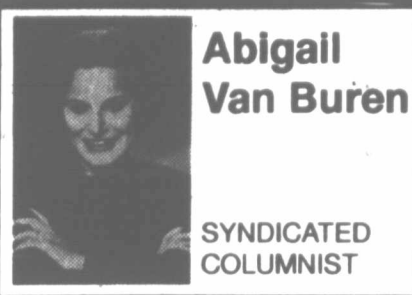
'Serial Batters' Should Be Seen as Dangerous Menace

DEAR ABBY: As the founder of a court program that specializes in domestic violence cases and the author of two books on the topic of spousal abuse, I have performed more lethality assessments of batterers (25,000) than any other professional in the United States. As a victim's advocate, I feel compelled to respond to Jason Larix of Montana, who felt that you exaggerated the number of women killed each year by their husbands or boyfriends.

While crime statistics do reflect that approximately 1,400 women annually are murdered by an intimate partner, these figures actually underestimate batterers' lethality. Many such homicides are never properly classified, while others go unsolved and the victim's relationship to the killer is never determined. In addition, the deaths of many women occur as a cumulative result of injuries received during years of habitual beatings, and their deaths are not reported as homicides.

A significant testimonial of batterers' lethality is the number of family members, friends, neighbors and children who are slain when they get caught in the crossfire of unbridled rage. All things considered, it is quite probable that, as you stated in your recent column, batterers are responsible for approximately 4,000 deaths each year. To realize that such men are responsible for the deaths of 11 people daily is frightening.

As a writer and researcher, I'm



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concerned that our society fails to recognize that not all batterers are the same. While the nonhabitual offender may be nonlethal and treatable, the chronic offender is often homicidal and beyond rehabilitation.

It also concerns me that while society readily accepts the terms "serial rapist" and "serial killer" to refer to men who habitually rape and murder multiple victims, it fails to acknowledge that men who habitually batter multiple female partners are "serial batterers." The fact is, the serial batterer is one of the most dangerous individuals in American society, and we must stop excusing him and minimizing his existence.

MICHAEL GROETSCH, KENNER, LA.

DEAR MICHAEL: I agree that serial batterers should be removed from society in much the same way as any other serial criminal. However, I would prefer to focus attention on the part of the problem that is fix-

able. The majority of domestic abuse comes at the hands of men whose anger escalates from 0 to 100 in seconds. They are not psychopaths. These are individuals who lash out with their fists or the nearest knife or gun at the slightest provocation. If they are willing to admit they have a problem, they can be helped, but only with therapy and programs that place a heavy emphasis on anger management. However, I fear the serial batterer cannot be helped.

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Horoscope

Wednesday, April 22, 1998

Interesting developments could be in the offing for you in the year ahead. Your imagination, creativity and resourcefulness will blend, allowing outstanding things to happen.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Things could work out rather smoothly today when you function as a go-between for two groups with a common cause. Taurus, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your chances of achieving several important objectives are quite good today. Take advantage of this by focusing on the present with meaningful effort.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Constructive

measures can be taken today to make you feel more secure about your future. Be mindful of today's needs, but also keep one eye focused on tomorrow.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Favors you seek today will be treated with compassionate consideration. However, don't request something from another for which you do not have an immediate need.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) There's a special friend with whom you always seem to have luck when you do things together. This combination has lots of good vibes in it, proving that it's still worthwhile.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today you'll find co-workers are still willing to do things for you to make life easier. Be sure to say thank you, and don't forget to repay kindnesses later.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A positive attitude can make it a better world for you today. Visualize yourself as a winner in situations where you seldom do well and you'll see what I mean.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be hopeful regarding the outcome of events

today and don't let outward appearances shatter your faith. Lady Luck could come through for you when you need her the most.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It looks like you might receive some good news that could put you in a very happy frame of mind. It will also make you an easier person for others to get along with most of the week.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) This is a good time to analyze your financial position in detail. If you're starting to accumulate small surpluses, try to devise ways to put your money to work for you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You could be a bit more fortunate than usual today in situations where you are the person in charge. Don't be reluctant to assume a leadership role if things are not being done properly.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Some confidential information you've been assimilating can be used advantageously today. However, do not tip your hand prematurely.

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For Better or For Worse



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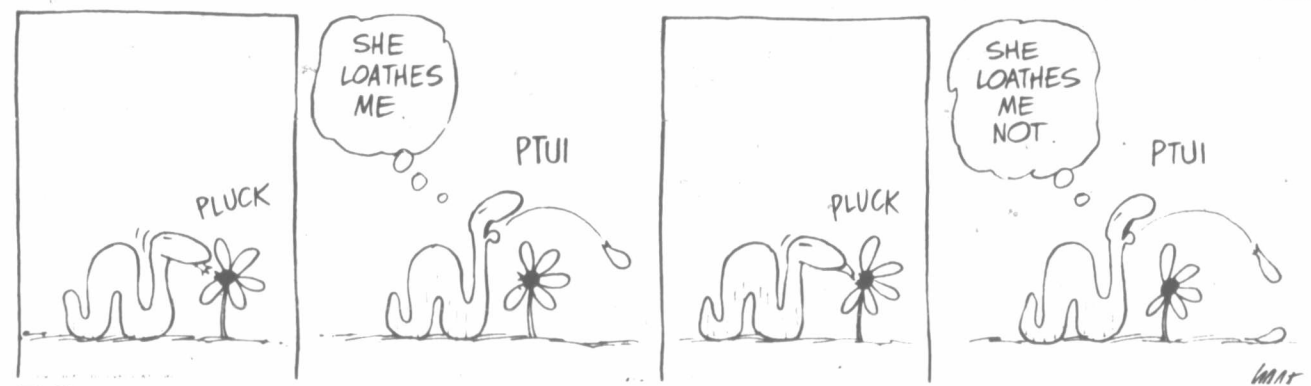
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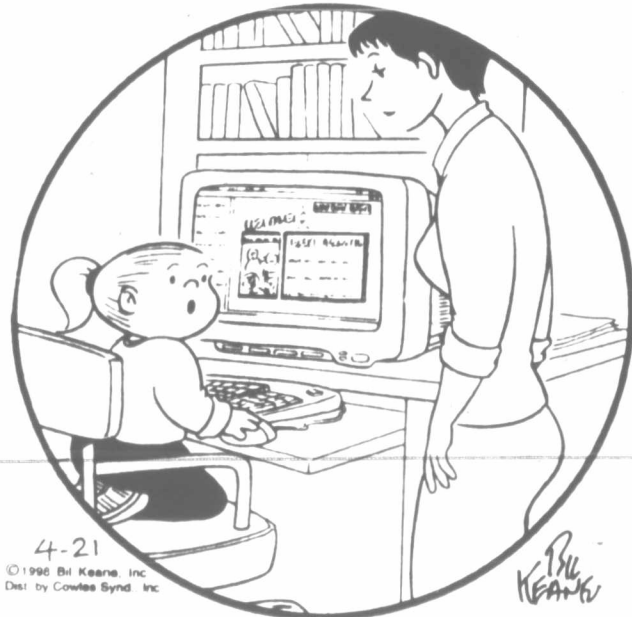
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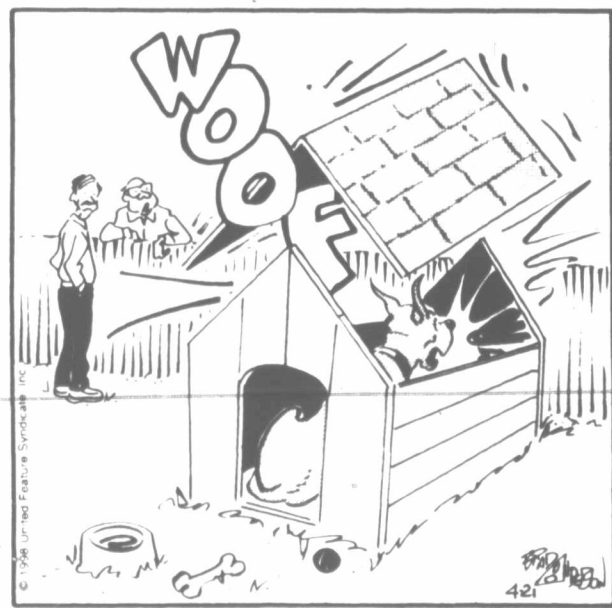
Frank And Ernest



Mallard Filmore



"If Heaven had a Web site, we could send e-mail to Granddad."



"Now that's a bark!"

The Family Circus



Marmaduke



Grizzwells



Alley Oop



Peanuts

Peanuts

SPORTS

NBA playoffs tip off Thursday; Bulls favored

Notebook

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Additional signups for the Lady Harvesters Hoops Camp will be held from 3 to 5 Sunday at McNeely Fieldhouse.

The first camp will be held June 1-5 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at McNeely Fieldhouse.

The camp is for girls going into the 7th, 8th, and 9th grades.

Another camp is scheduled for June 29-30 and July 1 for girls going into the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. Camp times are from 8 a.m. until noon.

Contact coach Mark Elms if more information is needed at 665-3562 (home) or 669-4800 (school).

BASEBALL

SEATTLE (AP) — Ken Griffey Jr. hit his AL-leading eighth homer and drove in the winning run with a sacrifice fly as the Seattle Mariners won their sixth straight game, 8-7, over the Kansas City Royals on Monday night.

Griffey homered in the third and capped the sixth with his sacrifice fly, which brought in Alex Rodriguez for his 22nd RBI, tied for the league lead with Juan Gonzalez of Texas.

The Mariners came back from a 6-1 deficit after 3 1/2 innings to help Randy Johnson avoid his second loss of the season. Johnson gave up six runs in 3 1-3 innings, boosting his ERA to 7.46.

Rodriguez went 4-for-5 with a homer and two doubles.

Bobby Ayala pitched a scoreless ninth for his fourth save, all in the last six games.

Dean Palmer, who had three RBIs, and Mike Sweeney homered for Kansas City.

Felipe Lira (1-0) earned his first win in his second season in Seattle after replacing Johnson with one out in the fourth.

GENERAL

NEW YORK (AP) — Cris Collinsworth thanked three networks when he won his first Sports Emmy.

Collinsworth, who won the award for outstanding studio analyst Monday night for his work on NBC's and HBO's NFL coverage, first thanked HBO and Fox — his employers next season.

But he closed his acceptance speech with a heartfelt thank you for NBC Sports president Dick Ebersol, who stuck by his opinionated analyst when NFL team and league officials complained about his frankness.

"I remember when CBS lost the NFL, the emotions that John Madden, Pat Summerall and all those guys had," he said. "I felt the same way about NBC, because there were times they could have fired me, but didn't."

Collinsworth won one of NBC's leading seven awards Monday night. He was joined by Bob Costas, who won his 11th, Dick Enberg with his ninth and Joe Morgan his first.

"When I played baseball, I was surrounded by great players like (Johnny) Bench, (Pete) Rose, (Tony) Perez and (George) Foster," said Morgan, who also won for his work as a baseball game analyst on ESPN. "In announcing I've been blessed to work with people like Costas, Jon Miller, David Neal and Andy Rosenberg."

Costas won for outstanding play-by-play announcer and Enberg won for outstanding writing with Wimbledon's "Closing Thoughts."

"It was my love affair with Wimbledon that won this award," Enberg said. "This one is special because I am not a writer by trade. I'm used to reacting to events. It's nice to be recognized for my writing."

NBC also won with the NBA Finals (outstanding live sports special), and two awards for the Ironman Triathlon — edited sports special and open, close or tease.

By CHRIS SHERIDAN
AP Basketball Writer

They've been the Invincibles, the VulneraBulls and now the PerishaBulls.

They want to become the Repeat-Threepeat Bulls before they're finished.

When the NBA playoffs begin Thursday night, the Chicago Bulls will be favored to win their sixth championship of the 1990s, a run of success that has made them one of the greatest dynasties in professional sports history.

They won three straight titles from 1991-93, missed out in 1994-95 and 1995-96 when Michael Jordan was off playing minor league baseball, then won the last two.

Not only that, they dominated the league the past two seasons, going a combined 141-23 in the regular season and 30-7 in the postseason.

Their record dropped to 62-20

this season, the same record as the defending Western Conference champion Utah Jazz. But the Bulls built their mark despite playing through the distraction of Jordan threatening to retire, Scottie Pippen vowing to leave, coach Phil Jackson finishing out a one-year contract, general manager Jerry Krause trading Jason Caffey and other sideshows that would shake any other team.

Not this one. "We feel really comfortable with the team and we're better than we were last year going into the playoffs, although maybe not as good as (the 1995-96 team)," Jackson said. "This is really the time when guys who have that experience shine and look forward to it, polish up their game."

Maybe for the last time as a unit. At the very least, a few of the Bulls will not be back next season. That mood of finality will permeate this postseason.

"It'll be a mercenary, monetary

challenge, a winner-take-all kind of playoffs," Jackson said.

The best-of-5 first-round begins Thursday night with four games: Atlanta at Charlotte, Cleveland at Indiana, Houston at Utah and San Antonio at Phoenix.

Four more series begin Friday night: New Jersey at Chicago, New York at Miami, Minnesota at Seattle, Portland at Los Angeles.

The Bulls will have the home-court advantage through the Eastern Conference finals, and the odds are against anyone beating them — at least until the Finals.

"I guarantee this team is going to come back and look good. The mundane look will be gone," Jackson said Monday as he gave his team the day off.

"As a guy experienced in going through threepeats, our third championship series in the early 90s followed a year that was much more difficult than this year was. We were younger and more athletic, yet had a much harder struggle,

and that team didn't look half as good as this team," Jackson said.

The Bulls will be playing a New Jersey Nets team that slumped over the second half of the season and didn't qualify until the last day of the season.

For most of the Nets, including coach John Calipari, it will be their first playoff game. For Jordan, on the other hand, Friday night will be his 159th career postseason game.

"The critical point is easy for these guys to focus on. They are veterans who have been in playoffs, and they know a team has to beat you in a majority of games," Jackson said. "That makes this team enormously confident to take on comers and beat them in a series. It's entirely different from the regular season."

From the East, the Pacers, Heat, Hawks and Knicks also bring a good degree of playoff experience into the first round, although flaws are apparent in all of them.

In the West, there are three legitimate title contenders in Utah, Seattle and the Los Angeles Lakers.

"And there's also two 56-win teams right behind us in Phoenix and San Antonio. I think everybody knows there are five teams that can come out of the West," Seattle coach George Karl said. "Utah is the top dog, Seattle and LA are next, the other two are a step below us. If they get lucky or there's an injury situation, any of them could come out."

And chances are, the Bulls will be waiting for them. Oddsmakers have made Chicago a 1-5 choice to win the East and a 1-2 favorite to win the title. The Jazz are the second choice to win the title at 2-1, and the Nets are the rank outsider at 150-1.

"I don't know how easy it will be," Jackson said, "but we'll let the West decide their neighborhood rivalry, we'll decide ours and then we'll get on with the championship round."

Harvesters qualify four athletes for track regionals

BORGER — The Pampa boys' track team will send four athletes to the regional meet May 1-2 in San Angelo.

Leading the way for the Harvesters is Curtis Johnson, who won both the long jump (20-3 1/2) and 100 (10.75) at the District 1-4A meet last weekend in Borger.

Johnson also qualified for regionals in the high jump with a second-place leap of 6-2.

Aaron Hayden tossed the shot 53-5 to take first place for the Harvesters. Ronnie Proby finished second in the discus (139-0) and Josh Taylor was second in the pole vault (12-6).

Pampa finished fourth in the team standings with 63 points. Borger won the meet title with 116 points.

The Harvesters will compete in a regional qualifiers meet Saturday at Tascosa High School. The field events will start at 10 a.m., with the running events at 1 p.m.

District 1-4A meet at Borger

Girls

Varsity Division

Team totals: 1. Pampa 160; 2. Hereford 125; 3. Canyon 81; 4. Randall 69; 5. Caprock 59; 6. Dumas 52; 7. Borger 40.

Pampa individual results

Shot: Barbara Wine, first place, 42-8 1/2.

Long jump: Katy Cavalier, first place, 16-7 1/2; Lacrese Ford, fourth place, 15-3 1/2.

Discus: Andrea Rodriguez, fifth place, 110-8.

Triple jump: Katy Cavalier, first place, 36-9; Ashleigh Patton, fourth place, 33-7.

High jump: Aubrea Ward and Ashleigh Patton, fifth place tie (5-0).

3200: Anna Resendiz, third place, 12:35.34; Samantha Hurst, fourth place, 12:48; Amanda White, fifth place, 12:53.

800: Jenny Fatheree, second



(Pampa News photo)

Pampa's regional boys' qualifiers are Curtis Johnson (seated), Aaron Hayden (left) and Josh Taylor. Not pictured is Ronnie Proby.

place, 22:22.06; Beth Lee, fourth place, 2:28.64.

100 hurdles: Tandi Morton, second place, 15:15.

100: Lacrese Ford, second place; Joy Young, third place, 12:66.

800 relay: Pampa, first place (Lavonne Evans, Jennifer Ross, Audrey Wilson and Lacrese Ford), 1:43.25.

300 hurdles: Robin Williams, second place, 48:05; Tandi Morton, fifth place, 49:60.

200: Lavonne Evans, first place, 25:62; Jennifer Ross, second place, 26:08; Joy Young, fourth place, 26:14.

1600: Jenny Fatheree, second place, 5:25.76; Beth Lee, third place, 5:42.81; Amanda White, sixth place, 5:50.92.

1600 relay: Pampa, fifth place (Jenny Fatheree, Robin Williams, Amanda White and Beth Lee), 4:19.

Junior Varsity Division
Team totals: 1. Pampa 167; 2.

Dumas 114; 3. Randall 97; 4. Hereford 66; 5. Borger 41; 6. Caprock 18; 7. Canyon 11.

Pampa individual results

Long jump: Chasity Nachtigall, first place, 15-7.

Triple jump: Chasity Nachtigall, first place, 31-1; Chelsea McCullough, second place, 30-6.

Discus: Dianna Solis, third place, 83-6.

High jump: Chelsea McCullough, first place, 4-8.

3200: Daisy Leal, first place, 13:32.

400 relay: Pampa, first place (Beth Buzzard, Crystal Shepard, Chasity Nachtigall and Eureka Brown), 52:05.

100: Eureka Brown, first place, 12:84; Beth Buzzard, third place, 13:72; Chelsea McCullough, fifth place, 14:08.

800 relay: Pampa, first place (Beth Buzzard, Crystal Shepard, Chasity Nachtigall and Eureka Brown), 1:52:05.

400: Chasity Nachtigall, first place, 67:02.

300 hurdles: Amanda West, first place, 55:02; Jessica Morrison, third place, 57:02.

200: Crystal Shepard, first place, 27:82.

1600: Daisy Leal, first place, 6:09; Marci Hansen, sixth place 6:30.

1600 relay: Pampa, fourth place (Daisy Leal, Marci Hansen, Chelsea McCullough and Amanda West).

Boys
Varsity Division
Team totals: 1. Borger 116; 2. Hereford 106; 3. Dumas 99.5 4. Pampa 63; 5. Canyon 61; 6. Caprock 59; 7. Randall 51.

Pampa individual results
Shot: Aaron Hayden, first place, 53-05.

Discus: Ronnie Proby, second place, 139-0.

High jump: Curtis Johnson, second place, 6-2.

Pole vault: Josh Taylor, second place, 12-06.

Long jump: Curtis Johnson, first place, 20-3 1/2.

800: Kelby McCellan, sixth place, 2:05.26.

100: Curtis Johnson, first place, 10:75.

400: Curtis Johnson, fourth place, 51:20.

200: Curtis Johnson, fifth place, 22:88.

1600: Kelby McCellan, fifth place, 4:53.04.

Junior Varsity Division
Team totals: 1. Pampa 154; 2. Borger 125; 3. Caprock 85; 4. Dumas 67; 5. Randall 47; 6. Hereford 40; 7. Canyon 21.

Pampa individual results
Shot: Tucker, first place, 41-11 3/4.

High jump: Gary Alexander, fourth place, 5-6.

Long jump: Tarango, second place, 18-7 1/2; Gary Alexander, third place, 18-6; Johnny Cortez, fourth place, 17-8 1/4.

Triple jump: Tarango, first place, 39-2; Gary Alexander, second place, 38-1 1/2; Johnny Cortez, fourth place, 37-4 1/2.

400: J. Silva, third place, time unavailable; Justin Roark, fifth place, 12:23.47.

400 relay: Pampa, fourth place (Tarango, Martinez, Leo Ramirez and Tyson Beck), 46:34.

800: Javier Cruz, second place, time unavailable.

110 hurdles: Justin Roark, first place, 16:85; N. Harvill, third place, 19:88.

100: P. Martinez, fifth place, 11:53.

400: Tarango, second place, 53:39.

300 hurdles: Justin Roark, second place, 45:15; N. Harvill, third place, 45:20.

200: P. Martinez, second place, time unavailable.

1600: J. Silva, second place, 5:17.30; Javier Cruz, fourth place, 5:18.35.

1600 relay: Pampa, third place (Tyson Beck, Tarango, Justin Roark and Ollie Lowe), 3:42.67.

Ryan makes his pitch to improve baseball

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Nolan Ryan doesn't quite know what to make of the state of pitching today.

Athletes are bigger and stronger than ever before, but it's not translating into harder-throwing pitchers, the major leagues' strikeout king says.

"I don't know that you can really blame it on expansion," Ryan said Monday, taking a break from his role as spokesman for Advil, which sponsored the PGA Senior Championship here. "And I don't have the answer for why pitching is as diluted as it is."

Whatever the reasons, the current pitching pool is making for more offense. And as Ryan sees inconsistent umpiring, scores better suited for football and games lasting 4 1/2 hours, he's become concerned for baseball.

"I don't think it's good for the game," he said. "What I would like to see is more consistent type scores — 4-3 games. ... I don't think people want to go out there and sit through 4- 4 1/2-hour ball games."

Ryan, 51, who retired in

1993 from the Texas Rangers after becoming the only man to record 5,000 strikeouts, knows there's no quick fix. Still, there are a few changes he'd make.

For starters, Ryan would put the height of the mound back to where it was when he began pitching in the big leagues in 1968. And, as an admitted purist, he'd eliminate the designated hitter. He'd also put umpires under one umbrella group to increase consistency.

"I think if you'd just call the strike zone from what it is in the rule book that you would see pitching improve," he said.

As he talks about the state of the game, he does so with the wisdom and perspective earned with 27 years in the majors. Yet there's no perceptible trace of a hankering to return.

He's been busy in his five years of so-called retirement. He owns a bank outside Houston, sits on the state's Parks and Wildlife Commission and has kept several celebrity endorsements. He's taken up golf, downhill

skiing and owns a cattle ranch.

But, yes, the arm still works. "I can still go out and throw, but it's the other things," he said, estimating his pitches would be in the 90s. "You know, you have an Achilles problem or something else happens, you sprain your elbow. You spend so much time rehabbing, it just wasn't productive time anymore."

Ryan says there have been some nice surprises at the start of this season, such as Bret Saberhagen's strong return to the Red Sox after sitting out all of 1996 and most of 1997 with shoulder trouble. Ryan also had good things to say about the game's newest teams.

"Expansion teams probably seem to have maybe a little more balance than past expansion clubs," he said. "I think each time they expand the new organizations do a better job."

Still, Ryan said he was disappointed by the dismantling of the Florida Marlins — who were held up as a model for expansion after winning a World Series in just five years —

then gutted for payroll reasons.

"I think I was as amazed by that as anyone," he said. "It shows how much the game has changed since I broke in.

Economics drives things so much more now. Baseball has a tendency to take two steps forward and one backward."

Bucks take second at District 2-2A track meet

PANHANDLE — White Deer finished second in the District 2-2A boys' meet last weekend and qualified in seven events for regionals.

Bucks' coach Ralph Samaniego felt his team had a good chance of winning the meet, but couldn't quite overtake Panhandle.

"We went in thinking we could win it," Samaniego said. "We got close and had some good performances."

White Deer scored 128 points to finish in the runnerup spot behind Panhandle's 158.

Donnie Adams won both the shot (46-2 1/2) and discus (144-10 1/4) for the Bucks.

Nick Knocke went 42-2 to win the triple jump and Craig Urbanczyk was clocked at 10:91 to win the 100. Knocke placed second in the 300 hurdles with a

time of 41:88.

White Deer's 400-meter relay team (Dale Adams, Donnie Adams, Chad Warminski and Craig Urbanczyk) placed second with a time of 43:85. White Deer's 1600-relay team of Shaun Poor, Dale Adams, Donnie Adams and Chad Warminski also placed second with a time of 3:35.44.

In the girls' division, White Deer's Lenzi Diggs won the 400 with a captured time. Three other Does advanced second place. They were Rhonda McClendon in the discus (96-10 3/4), Tisha Smith, high jump (4-6) and Kimberly Warminski, 1600 (5:55.00).

The top two finishers in each event advance to the Class 2A regional meet May 1-2 in Abilene.

Rockies can't keep up with Joneses in setback to Braves

DENVER (AP) — The Colorado Rockies scored five runs off Atlanta ace Greg Maddux and chased closer Mark Wohlers from the game in the ninth.

And still they lost. Andruw Jones homered twice, Chipper Jones had a two-run double and Maddux survived a rocky seventh inning as the Braves beat the Rockies 7-5 Monday night.

Maddux, who yielded only two earned runs in his first 32 innings this season for a glittering 0.56 ERA that led the National League, was roughed up for five runs (four earned) in eight innings. His ERA rose to 1.35, but Maddux (2-1) still got the win.

He also had eight assists and started two double plays.

"I thought Maddux was excellent," Braves manager Bobby Cox said. "He had the one bad inning, but that happens. You saw why he's won so many Gold Gloves."

After allowing only one run through six innings, Maddux gave up four in the seventh, including pinch-hitter John Vander Wal's three-run homer that cut Atlanta's lead to 7-5.

The Rockies loaded the bases in the ninth on three walks, two by Wohlers. But Kerry Ligtenberg — the Braves' third pitcher of the inning — retired Mike Lansing and Neifi Perez on popups for his first save of the season.

"Kerry pitched great," Cox said. "He pitched Greg Colbrunn pretty tough before Colbrunn worked him for a walk. Then he got two popups. That's clutch pitching at its best."

In the only other NL game, the Arizona Diamondbacks routed the Florida Marlins 15-4.

Andruw Jones drove in three runs with his second and third homers of the season for Atlanta. "I started bad this season," Jones said. "I had a streak where I was 1-for-26. But now I'm starting to turn it around."

Rockies manager Don Baylor said it was "very uncharacteristic of Maddux to give up five runs. We just couldn't contain Andruw Jones. He hit two fastballs about neck high for home runs. He was pretty much the difference in the game."

Colorado starter Darryl Kile (1-3), who allowed seven runs in six innings, said he let his team down.

"It's frustrating," he said. "If Greg Maddux gives up five runs, you've got to win. If I hold them

down, we win. I have a job to do and I didn't do it. I was just up in the zone for the most part. I fell behind on Jones a couple of times and he hit the ball hard."

The Rockies concluded their longest homestand of the season with a 3-10 record.

"It was just a brutal homestand," Lansing said. "We didn't pitch when we needed to, we didn't get big hits when we needed to. You can't point your finger at one specific thing. Maybe going on the road will help."

Jones' two-run homer in the second gave the Braves a 2-0 lead. Eddie Perez singled with two outs and Jones, who came into the game hitting only .169, belted a 410-foot homer just inside the left-field foul pole.

Atlanta, which won three of the four games in the series, got another run in the third when Chipper Jones doubled and scored on Michael Tucker's single.

The Rockies countered in their half when Jeff Reed singled, was sacrificed to second by Kile and scored on Lansing's single.

The Braves made it 4-1 with an unearned run in the fourth. Andruw Jones reached on third baseman Vinny Castilla's throwing error, went to second on Maddux's groundout and scored on Walt Weiss's single.

Andruw Jones led off the sixth with another homer that curled inside the left-field foul pole. The Braves added two more runs as Weiss and Keith Lockhart singled and Chipper Jones lined a two-run double to the gap in right-center.

The Rockies rallied in the seventh with a hit batter, an error, Reed's RBI single and Vander Wal's homer.

Devon White drove in three runs against his former club as expansion Arizona won a series for the first time. The host Diamondbacks defeated Livan Hernandez (2-2) in winning for the third time in four games against Florida. Relief pitcher Gregg Olson hit a two-run homer in Arizona's highest-scoring game of the season. The Diamondbacks have won four of five overall.

White, traded to the Diamondbacks by Florida in November, had a sacrifice fly in the third inning and keyed a five-run fourth with a two-run single. Hernandez, last year's World Series MVP, allowed seven runs on five hits and four walks in 3 1/3 innings. Clint Sodowsky (1-1) got two outs for the victory.

Hamilton started from the pole in the 43-car lineup, so his first short track win was worth an extra \$106,400 from the 76 Racing Challenge, which builds at \$7,600 until a driver wins from the pole. His total payoff was \$227,025.

He led the rest of the way, beating the Ford of runner-up Ted Musgrave to the finish line by 6.376-seconds, about one-third of a lap. He averaged 70.709 mph.

Dale Jarrett, Dale Earnhardt and Randy LaJoie, subbing for injured Ricky Craven, finished third through fifth.

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL

NBA Playoff Preview

Day-By-Day

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FIRST ROUND

(Best-of-5)

Thursday, April 23

Atlanta at Charlotte, 7 p.m. (TBS)

Cleveland at Indiana, 6 p.m. (TNT)

Houston at Utah, 9:30 p.m. (TBS)

San Antonio at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m. (TNT)

Friday, April 24

New York at Miami, 7 p.m. (TBS)

New Jersey at Chicago, 8 p.m. (TNT)

Minnesota at Seattle, 9:30 p.m. (TBS)

Portland at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m. (TNT)

Saturday, April 25

Cleveland at Indiana, 1 p.m. (NBC)

San Antonio at Phoenix, 3:30 p.m. (NBC)

Atlanta at Charlotte, 8 p.m. (TNT)

Houston at Utah, 10:30 p.m. (TNT)

Sunday, April 26

New York at Miami, 12:30 p.m. (NBC)

Portland at L.A. Lakers, 3 p.m. (NBC)

New Jersey at Chicago, 5:30 p.m. (NBC)

Minnesota at Seattle, 9 p.m. (TNT)

Monday, April 27

Indiana at Cleveland, 7 p.m. (TNT)

Phoenix at San Antonio, 9:30 p.m. (TNT)

Tuesday, April 28

Miami at New York, 7 p.m. (TBS)

Charlotte at Atlanta, 8 p.m. (TNT)

Seattle at Minnesota, 9:30 p.m. (TBS)

L.A. Lakers at Portland, 10:30 p.m. (TNT)

Wednesday, April 29

Chicago at New Jersey, 7 p.m. (TNT)

Phoenix vs. San Antonio, 8 p.m., if necessary (TBS)

Utah at Houston, 9:30 p.m. (TNT)

Thursday, April 30

Indiana at Cleveland, TBA, if necessary

Miami at New York, TBA, if necessary

Seattle at Minnesota, TBA, if necessary

L.A. Lakers at Portland, TBA, if necessary

Friday, May 1

Charlotte at Atlanta, TBA, if necessary

Chicago at New Jersey, TBA, if necessary

Utah at Houston, TBA, if necessary

Saturday, May 2

Minnesota at Seattle, TBA, if necessary (NBC)

Portland at L.A. Lakers, TBA, if necessary (NBC)

Sunday, May 3

New York at Miami, TBA, if necessary

Atlanta at Charlotte, TBA, if necessary

Cleveland at Indiana, TBA, if necessary

New Jersey at Chicago, TBA, if necessary (NBC)

Houston at Utah, TBA, if necessary

San Antonio at Phoenix, TBA, if necessary

Scoreboard

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Colorado 7 13 350 8 1/2

Arizona 6 14 300 9 1/2

Sunday's Games

N.Y. Mets 14, Cincinnati 0

San Diego at Pittsburgh, ppd., rain

St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 2

Chicago Cubs 2, Los Angeles 1

Montreal 5, Houston 4

Milwaukee 3, San Francisco 2, 12 innings

Florida 4, Arizona 3

Atlanta 5, Colorado 3, 1st game

Colorado 10, Atlanta 7, 2nd game

Monday's Games

Atlanta 7, Colorado 5

Arizona 15, Florida 4

Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Cincinnati (Tomko 2-1) at Philadelphia

(Schilling 2-1), 7:05 p.m.

San Francisco (Gardner 1-1) at Pittsburgh

(Lieber 0-2), 7:05 p.m.

Los Angeles (Martinez 2-1) at Milwaukee

(Juden 2-1), 7:05 p.m.

St. Louis (Stottmyre 2-0) at Montreal (Moore

1-1), 7:05 p.m.

Houston (Hampton 3-0) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 1-

1), 7:40 p.m.

San Diego (Brown 2-0) at Chicago Cubs

(Trachsel 2-1), 8:05 p.m.

Only games scheduled

Wednesday's Games

San Diego (Hamilton 2-0) at Chicago Cubs

(Tapani 3-1), 2:20 p.m.

St. Louis (Osborne 0-1) at Montreal (Perez 0-

2), 7:05 p.m.

Colorado (Thomson 1-2) at Florida (Medina 0-

1), 7:05 p.m.

San Francisco (Darwin 1-1) at Pittsburgh

(Silva 1-2), 7:05 p.m.

Los Angeles (Park 2-0) at Milwaukee (Eldred

0-0), 7:05 p.m.

Houston (Hajama 1-1) at N.Y. Mets (Micki 0-

2), 7:40 p.m.

Arizona (An.Benes 2-1) at Atlanta (Smoltz 1-

0), 7:40 p.m.

American League

At A Glance

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East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Boston	12	6	.667	—
New York	10	5	.667	1/2
Tampa Bay	10	6	.625	1
Baltimore	11	7	.611	1
Toronto	8	10	.444	4

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Cleveland	11	6	.647	—
Kansas City	8	11	.421	4
Minnesota	7	11	.389	4 1/2
Chicago	6	10	.375	4 1/2
Detroit	4	12	.250	6 1/2

West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Texas	11	5	.688	—
Seattle	9	10	.474	3 1/2
Anaheim	8	9	.471	3 1/2
Oakland	5	12	.294	6 1/2

Sunday's Games

Boston 2, Cleveland 0

Detroit 2, N.Y. Yankees 1

Toronto 5, Chicago White Sox 4, 12 innings

Seattle 7, Minnesota 4

Tampa Bay 6, Oakland 3

Monday's Games

Kansas City 7, Anaheim 0

Tampa Bay 6, Oakland 3

Boston 8, Cleveland 5, 11 innings

N.Y. Yankees 3, Toronto 2, 11 innings

Seattle 8, Kansas City 7

Oakland 3, Minnesota 2

Anaheim 4, Baltimore 3

Scoreboard

Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Boston (Rose 0-1) at Detroit (Worrell 1-2),

7:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Beltrami 2-1) at Cleveland

(Ojeda 0-0), 7:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Mendoza 0-0) at Toronto

(Hanson 0-0), 7:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Springer 1-1) at Texas (Sele 3-0),

8:35 p.m.

Kansas City (Belcher 1-3) at Seattle (Moyer 1-

2), 10:05 p.m.

Minnesota (Morgan 0-0) at Oakland (Candioti

1-3), 10:05 p.m.

Baltimore (Johns 0-0) at Anaheim (McDowell

1-1), 10:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Minnesota (Milton 2-1) at Oakland (Oquist 0-

0-0), 8:35 p.m.

Boston (Martinez 2-0) at Detroit (Thompson 1-

3), 7:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Siroka 2-1) at Cleveland

(Nagy 2-0), 7:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 2-2) at Toronto

(Clemens 2-1), 7:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Saunders 1-1) at Texas (Helling

3-0), 8:35 p.m.

Kansas City (Pichardo 0-1) at Seattle

(Fassero 1-0), 10:35 p.m.

Baltimore (Erickson 3-1) at Anaheim (Finley 3-

0), 10:35 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Monday's Sports Transactions

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BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Recalled LHP Doug

Johns from Rochester of the International

League. Placed OF Brady Anderson on the

15-day disabled list.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Activated OF Rob

Ducey from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned

OF Ryan Radmanovich to Tacoma of the

Pacific Coast League.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Signed LHP

John Rosengren to a minor league contract

and assigned him to Tucson of the Pacific

Coast League.

COLORADO ROCKIES—Placed INF Jason

Bates on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled

INF Nelson Lirio from Colorado Springs of

the Pacific Coast League.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Placed INF Kevin Millar

on the 15-day disabled list. Purchased the

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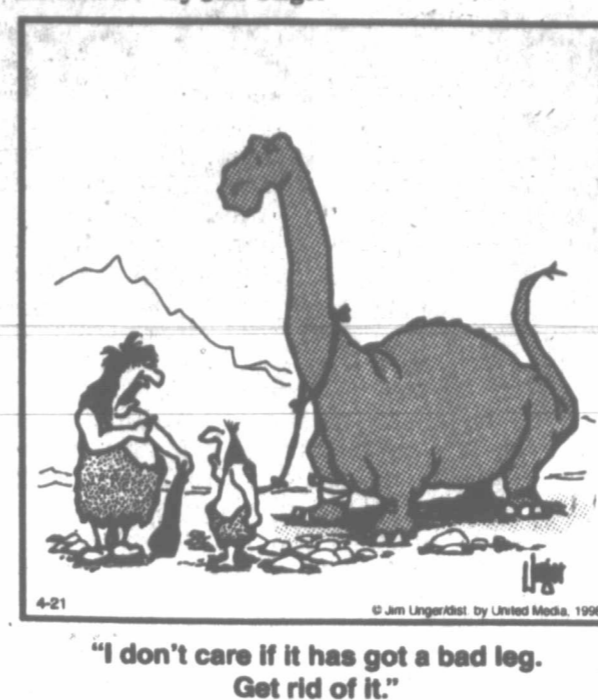
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19 Untidy person
20 Sign (a check)
23 Distress signal
26 French negative
27 Youngster
30 Wild sheep
32 Quarrelsome woman
34 Musical composition
35 Epic poem
36 Powerful explosive (abbr.)
37 Compass pt.

39 Ancient chariot
40 Absorb
42 Semi-precious stone
45 Lion's name
46 Dog doc
49 Actress Dahl
51 Mexican cactus
54 Appeared
55 Talent agents
56 Reimbursed
57 Start

DOWN

1 Reputation
2 Future attys.' exam
3 Farm measure
4 Stroke
5 Vessel's curved plank
6 Kind of moron?
7 In itself (2 wds.)
8 Actor
9 Roman statesman
11 - Scott

12 Sanction
13 Bird's beak
18 Cal. abbr.
20 Opera role
21 Spruce up
22 Shoots from a hidden position
23 Speedy
24 Crazy as a
25 Female relative
27 Hits lightly
28 S-shaped
29 Driven
31 Hung down
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Air France Flight 422 crashes soon after take-off

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — A postcard of the Eiffel tower, a child's miniature soccer ball, a woman's make-up kit. Little other evidence was left of the 53 lives lost aboard a Boeing 727 that slammed into Bogota's eastern mountain range just moments after takeoff.

Amid smoldering flesh and chunks of twisted steel strewn across a half-mile of mountain-side just above the capital, rescue workers and police worked through the rain to recover bodies from Monday's crash.

Air France Flight 422 was en route to the Ecuadorean capital, Quito, when, without warning, it failed to make a sharp turn south and plowed into the jagged peak. Most of those aboard were Ecuadorean and French citizens. Thirty-nine passengers, originating in Paris, had changed planes in Bogota.

Ambulances and police cars with red-and-blue emergency lights whirring navigated up a narrow dirt path, turned to mud by a late-afternoon rain. Hundreds of rescue workers, wearing rubber gloves and with handkerchiefs covering their mouths, fished identity cards, passports and credit cards from the debris.

They had to contend with hundreds of curious onlookers who climbed the ridge that rises 1,600 feet above Bogota. At least two people were arrested for looting.

"There's nothing left, nothing," said Sergio Rodriguez, a 15-year-old who lives near the crash site. "I ran when I saw the plane crash, but there's nobody (alive)."

Rescue workers who found three pairs of teddy bear-patterned infant pajamas searched for a baby, but to no avail. Other debris floated from the tops of eucalyptus trees in the damp, cold breeze of the waning daylight.

After finding just five intact bodies, authorities called off the search at dusk, when drizzle turned to downpour, extinguishing the last flames of the wreckage. They had no hope of finding survivors.

"There are hands, feet and legs. Most of what we have recovered are very small body parts," said a police officer at the scene, Fernando Molino. Some bodies were so badly destroyed that the only indication of a victim's sex were painted fingernails.

Marco Emilio Erazo, a spokesman for TAME, the Ecuadorean airline that leased

the plane to Air France, said the pilots were retired members of the Ecuadorean air force and that the plane was not old. He did not say when the 727-200 was built.

The airline planned to fly in victims' relatives from Quito early today, he said.

The jet crashed about 150 feet short of the mountain peak in daylight — at 4:47 p.m. — just three minutes after takeoff, said civil aviation spokesman Martin Gonzalez.

A controller said the plane

was supposed to turn 90 degrees to the right after the takeoff, but didn't. The cockpit did not report any problems with the jet. Police located the plane's flight recorder, or black box, and took it down the 10,170-foot mountain in the back of a police jeep.

Air France spokesman Jose Maria Robayo said the passengers included Colombians and non-French Europeans but he didn't know their nationalities. A postcard from the Eiffel Tower in Paris, addressed to

Quito, was among the debris.

Dionisio Sosa, an air traffic controller at El Dorado airport, told The Associated Press the plane was supposed to turn 90 degrees to the south on a heading known as "Girardot One" about 2,000 feet after clearing the runway at beacon "Romeo".

Instead, it continued straight for two miles and slammed into the ridge.

Sosa said controllers were unable to see the plane on radar as it departed, and radioed the pilots, but the only voice trans-

mission from the aircraft was a crew member giving the plane's identification, "Air France 422." The jet was climbing at about 170 mph at the time of the crash, said Col. Julio Alberto Gonzalez, deputy director of the civil aviation authority. He refused to speculate on its cause.

"The plane was making a very strong sound in its engine, a sound that is not normal," said Wilson Vargas, a worker at the Colombian Air Force non-commissioned officer's club on the mountainside.

The flight, one of three every week along the Quito-Bogota-Quito route, had arrived in Bogota just an hour before it departed.

In 1973, a Colombian passenger jet from the now-defunct carrier Aerocondor crashed into the same mountainside, leaving 43 dead.

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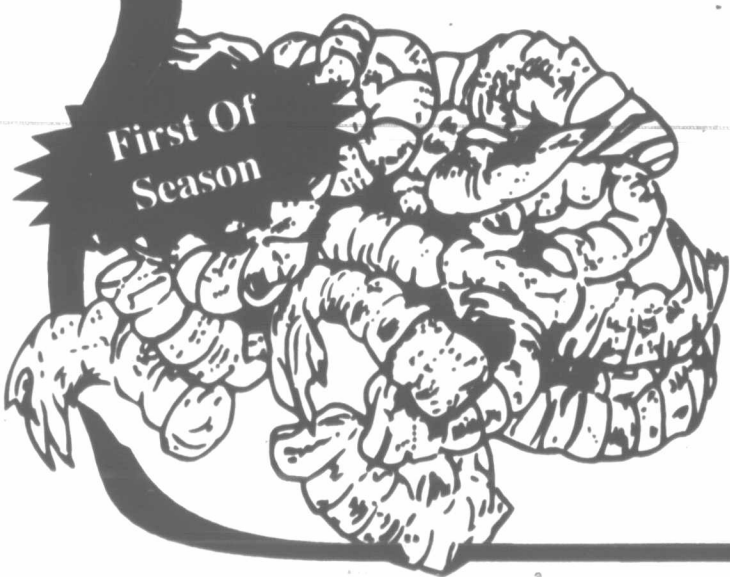
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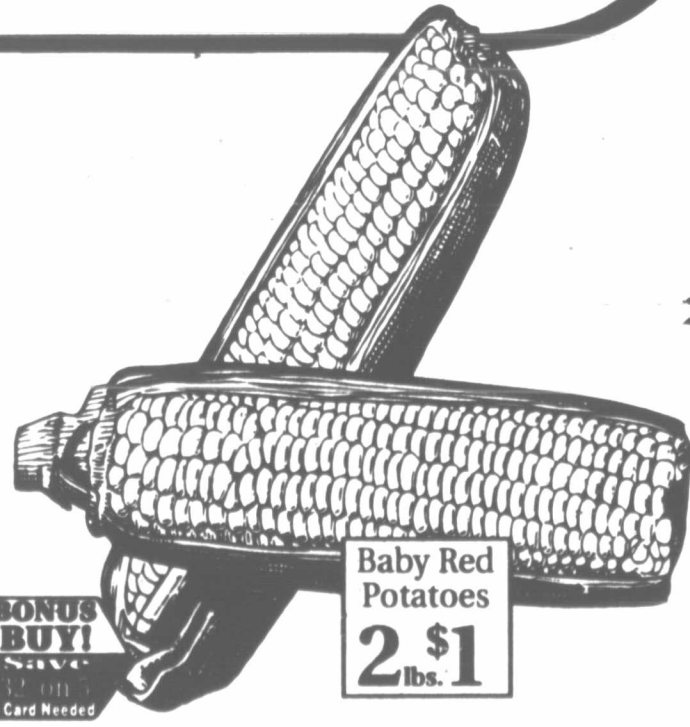
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Lefors ISD recently announced its honor roll for the fifth six weeks grading period of the 1997-98 school year.

A Honor Roll

Christina Cook, James Hill, Emily Jackson, Ashlyn Johnson, Kaid Jones, Rebecca Lawrence, Jonathan McAnear, Brandon McBee, Gabriel Miller, Shayla Villalon, Amanda Lawrence, Dafydd Vaid, Drake Jackson, Nicholas Miller, Gareth Vaid, Dennis Boyd, Julie Davenport, Jennifer Andis, Amanda Daugherty, Zachary Kidd, Sarah Schwab, Joshua Barnes, Thomas Davenport, Evelyn Drinkard, Dee Preston, Amanda Sprouse, Jeremy Pierce, Melody Seely, Heather Howard, Gwendolyn Nolte, Linda Schwab, Misty McMullen and Adrian Neal.

AB Honor Roll

Kyle Boaz, Dustin Forsyth, Kegan Furgerson, Clarence Hess, Misty Pairsh, Aaron Spotts, Chad Kent, Hannah Manass, Amanda Ponce, Jeremy Sprouse, Jerad Andis, Amanda Hicks, Tommy Hughes, Talaya McSwain, Matthew Daugherty, Lindsay Duckworth, Courtney Gee, Rachael Stubbs, Samantha Cenicerros, James Elrod, Andrew Ingersoll, Shayla Smith, Katherine Barnes.

Wanda Hughes, Andre Klein, David Lueddecke, Stormy Ragan, Savannah Smith, Erasmo Soto, Joshua Turner, Clint Culver, Mase Fergerson, Britney Gilbert, Cory Jackson, Joshua Jackson, Adam Kent, Mark Murray, Jennifer Sprouse, Johnathan Tinney, Andrew Johnson, Zachariah Turner, Raymond Turpen, Amanda, Woodard, Christopher Alexander Amber Ehmman, Zenobia Dean, Rebecca Gilbert, Candid Ray, April Rodgers, Dana Crutcher, Katie Miller, Aimee Monroe, Shelly Murray and Penny Summers.

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