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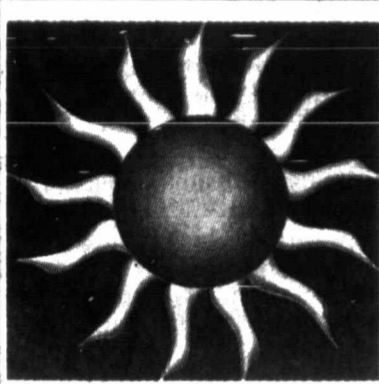
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AUSTIN (AP) — Texas parole officials are trying to figure out how they can better track ex-convicts with known or suspected ties to gangs after the dragging death of a Jasper man in which three former prisoners are charged. "This division has never had a policy on how to deal with gang members ... and I think it's high time, particularly in light of the Jasper situation," said Veronica Ballard, head of the parole division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. "I want to move quickly on this."

Two parolees with suspected ties to white supremacist prison gangs and another ex-convict have been charged with capital murder in the June 7 death of James Byrd Jr., a black man.

Ms. Ballard said a new rule under which parolees' tattoos will be documented will help identify parolees with known or suspected gang ties. She also said officials are considering more intensive supervision of gang members once they leave prison.

Investigators have said that two of the suspects in the Jasper slaying wore tattoos indicating ties to prison gangs.

"With gang members, we're talking about some very dangerous people, and their level of supervision needs to reflect that," Ms. Ballard said.

- Pauline Johnson Hooker, 85, homemaker.
- LeLois Schneider, 83, homemaker, Sunday School teacher.
- Elisa R. Wilson, 95, homemaker, mother of a Pampa resident.

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10 PHS grads among newly-hired teachers

By **MIRANDA G. BAILEY**
Staff Writer

Nineteen teachers resigned this year and three others retired leaving the Pampa ISD with a minimum of twenty-two slots to fill at last night's school board meeting. Twenty-eight personnel recommendations were approved and approximately 10 of the new hires are Pampa High School alumni.

It will be interesting to find exactly out all the reasons why so many graduates decided to come back to Pampa to teach this year, according to Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr.

Board members and administrators spent five hours reviewing action items on this month's agenda. Items approved by the board included a general three percent salary increase for staff, excluding equity adjustments.

A review of existing salary schedules and external and internal market comparisons of neighboring districts provided the administration with information to propose the adjustment in pay

scales.

Teachers received the pay adjustment due to state minimum pay scale increases. The state minimum scale in starting pay for teachers is \$21,240 this year. Pampa ISD new hires will begin at \$23,500.

Administrative personnel — who are paid approximately between \$35,000 and \$65,000 depending upon exact job title, number of years in the district and annual number of working days — received a scale adjustment also reflecting a 1.7 percent increase in cost of living.

Counselors and diagnosticians were moved off the administrative pay scale to teacher pay plus a stipend.

Food service and custodial employees received the adjustment in pay scale due to minimum wage increases and a high turnover rate. And transportation personnel received the scale adjustment due to licensing requirements and demands.

Paraprofessional employees, classroom aides for

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Family night at the Rodeo Parade at 10 a.m. Saturday

Tonight is family night at the Top O' Texas Rodeo and for each adult ticket purchased one child's (12 and under) ticket will be given free. Likewise, for those 60 and over, it is a two-for-the-price-of-one deal.

A special family night attraction during the Rodeo, which starts at 7:30 p.m., will be an appearance by singer Susie Luchsinger.

Luchsinger is a gospel and country western singer, and her appearance is sponsored by the Pampa Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Cowboys and several area churches.

Luchsinger was raised on an Oklahoma ranch filled with love and music. Her parents Clark and Jacqueline (Jackie) McEntire had four children: Susie, the youngest; country superstar, Reba; their son Pake; and Alice.

There will also be a calf scramble tonight as well as the Wrangler Bull Fights.

Saturday night marks the final Rodeo performance. Each is followed by a dance featuring the band, Redneck.

A bit too close for comfort...



(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

And to think he does this on purpose. One of the bull fighters gets as close to the business end of a bull as anyone should want to entertain the crowd at last night's rodeo. The action returns at 7:30 tonight and Saturday night.

Rodeo results...

The action was swift and the stock tough Thursday night as cowboys and cowgirls competed in the first of three performances of the Top O' Texas Rodeo.

The winners were:

Wrangler Bullfighting was sponsored by Wrangler, Wayne's Western Wear and Randy and Carla Norris. The winners were: first place, Greg Rumohr-78; second place, Dan Newman-76; third place, Lance Brittan-73.

Steer Wrestling was sponsored by Northgate Inn. The winners were: first place, Casey B. Dorenkamp-4.0 sec.; second place, Spud Duvall-4.5 sec.; third place, Paul Luchsinger-4.7 sec.; fourth place, Cody Brown-5.0 sec.

Bareback Riding was sponsored by First Bank Southwest. The winners were: first place, James F. Boudreaux, Hackberry, LA-73; second place, Brian Street, Ft. Scott, KS-70; third place, Beau Gantt, Los Lunas, NM-69.

Calf Roping was sponsored by Larry Baker Plumbing. The winners were: first place, Jeremy Hennigh, Sayre, OK-9.4 sec.;

second place, Tommy Eaton, Ada, OK-9.9 sec.; third place, Bruce Gibbs, Olney, TX-10.4 sec.

Saddle Bronc Riding was sponsored by Dorman Tire & Service Company. The winners were: first place, Todd Hipsag, Lincoln, NE-76; second place, Josh Reynolds, Corvallis, MT-70; third place, Bart Nichols, Goodwell, OK-67.

Mutton Busting winners were: first place, Cody Schiffman, Pampa; and second place, Colton Atwood, Pampa.

Double Mugging was sponsored by Tommy Bowers Ranch and all contestants had no time.

Barrel Racing was sponsored by Subway Sandwiches the winners were: first place, Mary Sorrells, Bryan, TX-16.3 sec.; second place, Annesa Self, Carrollton, TX-16.5 sec.; third place, Deb Mohan Gladewater, TX-16.6 sec.

Bull Riding was sponsored by National Bank of Commerce. The winners were: first place, Cory McFadden, Crane, TX-76; second place, Ross Kelso, Goodwell, OK-72.

(See Page 2 for winners of the Celebrity Pickup Race)

Murder charge filed in shooting of would-be thief

By **JUAN B. ELIZONDO Jr.**
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — An Austin man licensed to carry a concealed handgun has been charged with murder in the shooting death of a would-be thief.

Austin police on Thursday filed the murder charge, a first-degree felony, against 33-year-old Paul A. Saustrup. According to police, Saustrup shot to death Eric Demart Smith early Wednesday after Smith broke into a vehicle owned by Saustrup's girlfriend.

Police said the couple walked up on Smith as he was sitting in the vehicle. Saustrup pulled out a .380 handgun and attempted to keep Smith in the truck while his girlfriend called police. But Smith, 20, jumped out of the vehicle and began to "walk briskly" away and the couple followed him, investigators said.

Joe Turner, Saustrup's attorney, said his client warned Smith to keep his hands visible. Smith, according to Turner, kept saying he'd have "his homeboys" shoot Saustrup and continued walking into a darkened area of the street.

"He made a move to his belt area and started to twist around," Turner said. "My client did not want to shoot this person. He was still on the phone with 911. ... He wanted the police to arrest him (Smith)."

Assistant Police Chief Mike McDonald said Smith was not armed and had not taken anything from the vehicle.

Assistant Travis County District Attorney Buddy Meyer said whether the shooting was justified will have to be resolved in court.

Smith was shot once behind the left

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Saustrup faces up to life in prison if convicted. He was being held in the Travis County jail. Bond was set at \$100,000.

Miami paper is sold

The *Miami Chief* will soon have a new owner and publisher but will stay locally owned.

Valda and Clarence Traugbber, who have owned the weekly paper for almost nine years, have sold it to Jim and Sandy Black who live in the Miami area.

The nearly-100-year-old paper currently operates out of the Traugbber home in a 40-foot room built for that purpose. It will move to 401 E. Commerce Street Monday when the sale will be finalized.

The Traugbbers will stay in Miami for a while to help the Blacks but will soon move to Amarillo to be closer to family and the medical care that Valda needs. She won't be completely

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Guthrie festival in Okla.

An Oklahoma man is organizing a weekend of concerts this month in Okemah to honor American folk singer Woody Guthrie.

"Woody Guthrie is America's most influential folk singer and songwriter," said Bill McCloud of Pryor, Okla. "As such, almost by definition, he is one of the most important spokesmen of the American people."

The Woody Guthrie Coalition and The Orphanage Society is planning a series of free folk concerts July 17 through 19, in Okemah, Okla., Guthrie's home-

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

HOOVER, Pauline Johnson — 10 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Mobeetie.
SCHNEIDER, LeLois — Graveside services, 10:30 a.m., Quannah Memorial Park Cemetery, Quannah.

Obituaries

PAULINE JOHNSON HOOKER
MOBEETIE — Pauline Johnson Hooker, 85, died Wednesday, July 8, 1998, at Wheeler. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Gary Jahnel officiating. Burial will be in Mobeetie Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mrs. Hooker was born Sept. 12, 1912, in Indian Territory, Okla., to George and Merra Johnson. She had been a Mobeetie resident since 1916, moving from Wellington. She married Vernon Hooker on July 29, 1934, at Cheyenne, Okla.; he died March 9, 1975. She was a homemaker and a member of First United Methodist Church of Mobeetie.

She was preceded in death by her parents; six brothers; a sister; a grandson, Vernon Dale Moore, in 1996; two great-granddaughters, Whitney Luman, on Dec. 6, 1983, and Bobbi Jo Gorley, on Sept. 23, 1986; and two son-in-laws, Don Moore, on April 5, 1992, and Mac Shelton, on March 20, 1997.

Survivors include six daughters, Mearlene Scott and Joyce McIntire, both of Amarillo, Peggy Shelton of Perryton, Ellen Moore of Tucson, Ariz., and Inez Moore and Sue Harrison, both of Mobeetie; 14 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church of Mobeetie.

LeLOIS SCHNEIDER
OLNEY — LeLois Schneider, 83, a former Pampa resident, died Wednesday, July 8, 1998, at Olney hospital. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Quannah Memorial Park Cemetery at Quannah with the Rev. Clint Young, pastor of First Baptist Church of Quannah, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Lunn Funeral Home of Olney.

Mrs. Schneider was born Jan. 21, 1915, at Quannah, to A.E. and Lois Kelly. She graduated from high school at Quannah. She married Edwin O. Schneider on March 4, 1934, at Eldorado, Okla.; he died in July of 1973. She had been an Olney resident since 1977, moving from Pampa. She was a homemaker and was a member of First Baptist Church of Olney where she was an adult Sunday school teacher. She was active in Olney Senior Club Center.

She was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include two daughters, Germaine Lane of Mesa, Ariz., and Lois Lunsford of Greenville, S.C.; a son, E.K. Schneider of Olney; seven grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 734, Olney, TX 76374.

ELISA R. WILSON
PORTALES, N.M. — Elisa R. Wilson, 95, mother of a Pampa resident, died Sunday, July 5, 1998. Rosary was recited Thursday in Our Lady of Sorrows catholic Church at Arroyo Hondo. Memorial services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Our Lady of Sorrows. Arrangements are under the direction of Steel-Todd Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Wilson was born at Arroyo Hondo and had been a Portales resident for the past 20 years, moving from Arroyo Hondo. She was a member of St. Helena Catholic Church at Portales.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jess Wilson, in 1959; and by a daughter, Clementina Wilson, in 1997.

Survivors include four sons, Patrick Wilson of Pampa, Cecil Wilson and Leo Wilson, both of Arroyo Hondo, and Carl Wilson of Portales; 12 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-granddaughter.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	2.62	dn 3/16
Milo	3.65	dn 1/8
Corn	4.08	dn 1/8
Soybeans	5.84	dn 1/8

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

Occidental	25 11/16	dn 1/8
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The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan	112.94	dn 1/2
Puritan	21.46	dn 1/8

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

Amoco	40 15/16	dn 1/16
Arco	72 9/16	dn 1/16
Cabot	32 9/16	NC
Cabot O&G	19 5/8	dn 1/16
Chevron	80 13/16	dn 3/16
Coca-Cola	86 5/8	dn 1/16
Columbia/HCA	29 3/4	up 7/16
Enron	54 5/16	dn 3/16
Halliburton	42 9/16	up 1/8
IRI	11 15/16	up 1/8
KNE	52 5/16	dn 1/2
Kerr McGee	58	up 1/16
Limited	31 13/16	dn 3/16
McDonald's	71 15/16	dn 1/16
Mobil	75 3/16	dn 1/16
New Atmos	29 1/8	dn 1/4
NCE	46 3/16	dn 1/16
Penney's	65 1/16	dn 9/16
Phillips	48 1/16	dn 1/16
Pioneer Nat. Res.	23 3/8	dn 1/16
SLB	67 1/16	dn 1/2
Tenneco	36 7/16	dn 1/2
Wal-Mart	58 3/16	dn 9/16
Ultramar	29 7/8	up 1/8
Wal-Mart	63 5/8	up 1/2
Williams	33 11/16	dn 1/8
New York Gold	290.00	
Silver	5.26	
West Texas Crude	13.94	

Police report

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

Friday, July 10
 Eric Alan Davis, 23, 932 Wells, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.
 John Paul Parks, 32, 400 Roberta, was arrested on charges of assault and evading arrest.

Sheriff's Office

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

Thursday, July 9
 Johnny Ray Wildcat, 27, 1204 Darby, was arrested on charges of speeding and failure to appear.
 Michael Andrew Russell, 50, 2306 Fir, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.
 Paul Scott Daugherty, 54, Miami, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and having an open container.

Friday, July 10
 Kenneth Lloyd Dean, 37, 917 E. Francis, was arrested on charges of failure to appear, expired registration, failure to display valid drivers license.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, July 9
 11:49 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.
 2:42 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.
 3:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of S. Christy. No one was transported.
 8:54 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Recreation Park and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.
 11:40 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of N. Faulkner and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

Friday, July 10
 2:43 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

Fires

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

Thursday, July 9
 9:48 a.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to a smoke scare in the 400 block of S. Nelson

Calendar of events

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

THEE PLACE
 Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP
 Efforts are under way to form a support group for parents of children with attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder or attention deficit disorder. Those interested are asked to call Connie after 6 p.m. and weekends, 669-9364.

ST. MARK CME CHURCH
 St. Mark will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS
 The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavillion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547 or Jim Greene at 665-8067.

Emergency numbers

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

Will Daniel, Glen Eggleston win Celebrity Pickup Race

The object of the race is to be the first team to successfully complete the following sequence of events.

A horse is bridled and saddled prior to the race. Judges inspect the saddle prior to race to be sure that it is secured. Both contestants are in a pick-up with all windows rolled up and doors closed. The judge blows the whistle and all contestants exit the pick-up.

They unload the horse from the trailer and one rider rides the horse to the opposite end of the arena, rides around his designated barrel and returns to the trailer. The contestants then switch riders and the second rider rides around his designated barrel and returns to the trailer. The saddle is taken off and placed in front of the pick-up by one contestant while the other contestant loads the horse into the trailer, closes and latches the gate as designed.

The winning team is the first to have both contestants back in the pick-up with all windows rolled up and doors shut and the headlights turned on.

This event is divided up into 4 heats with 3 teams in 2 heats and 2 teams in 2 heats. The team consists of 1 cowboy (or cowgirl) and 1 non-cowboy (or city slicker). In heat 1, the teams consisted of the following: Dee Dee Laramore and Sharon Brock; Lee Ann Winton and Jamey Ray Nunn; Sheryl Lester and Karl Vigil. The winning team in this heat was

Sheryl Lester and Karl Vigil.

In heat 2, the teams consisted of the following: Danny Holman and Jack Ferris; Doug Pritchett and Todd Blackhurst; Whitney Oxley and Roy Ramirez. The winning team in this heat was Doug Pritchett and Todd Blackhurst.

In heat 3, the teams consisted of the following: Joe Winton and Todd Alvey; Will Daniel and Glen Eggleston. The winning team in this heat was Will Daniel and Glen Eggleston.

In heat 4, the teams consisted of the following: Matt Rhine and Chuck Morgan; Tracy Jennings and Tony Ferrell. The winning team in this heat was Tracy Jennings and Tony Ferrell.

In heat 1 of the Semi-finals, the teams consisted of the following: Sheryl Lester and Karl Vigil; Doug Pritchett and Todd Blackhurst. The winning team in this heat was Doug Pritchett and Todd Blackhurst.

In heat 2 of the Semi-finals, the teams consisted of the following: Will Daniel and Glen Eggleston; Tracy Jennings and Tony Ferrell. The winning team in this heat was Will Daniel and Glen Eggleston.

The final heat consisted of the winning semi-finals team: Doug Pritchett and Todd Blackhurst; Will Daniel and Glen Eggleston.

The 1998 Celebrity Pick-up Race winners were Will Daniel and Glen Eggleston. They received beautiful handmade silver belt buckles.

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TEACHERS

one example, received an "equity adjustment in level 3 pay scale due to responsibilities and length on the work day," according to the approved pro-

posal. The paraprofessional pay range begins at almost \$6 an hour and goes up depending on amount of days working and years experience.

Pampa substitute teachers for the 1998-99 school year will receive a standard rate of \$45 a day, excluding extended teacher absences.

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MURDER

shoulder blade and once behind the right shoulder blade, said Travis County Medical Examiner Robert Bayardo. Both shots, fired from a distance of at least three feet, entered Smith's heart, the medical examiner said.

Tela Mange, a spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Public Safety, said the agency isn't allowed to say what caliber handgun Saustrup was licensed to carry as a concealed weapon.

Turner said he believed the .380 handgun was the weapon Saustrup was qualified to carry.

Turner added that state law allows the use of

deadly force to defend property from nighttime theft. But he said Saustrup was not exercising that right.

"He only fired after he felt immediately threatened," Turner said. "I think in the totality of the circumstances that a jury is going to find that this was reasonable if it gets that far."

Saustrup faces up to life in prison if convicted. He was being held in the Travis County jail. Bond was set at \$100,000.

Turner said the case next will be presented to a grand jury for formal indictment.

"We're hoping we'll get justice there," he said.

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MIAMI

out of the newspaper business though, she plans to continue writing her popular column for the Chief and is even talking about syndicating the column to other area papers.

Sandy Black said their two teen-age daughters will help with the paper, taking pictures and help-

ing with advertising. She is an R.N. who has been working in home health care, her husband is an accountant.

Valda noted that the Miami Chief is actually the parent of The Pampa News. The owner of the paper at the turn of the century started a paper called the Pampa Crony in Miami. He sold it to a J.M. Smith who moved the operation to the new city and called it The Pampa News.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Sunny and hot today with a high of 102 and winds from the southwest at 10-20 mph. Tonight, fair with a low of 74 and south winds at 5-15 mph. Tomorrow, triple digit high with winds from the south-southwest at 10-20 mph and gusting. The overnight low was 72.

REGIONAL FORECAST
WEST TEXAS — Friday night, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the upper 60s. Saturday, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. High in the mid 90s. Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, a slight chance of evening thunderstorms, otherwise clear. Lows 65-75. Saturday, a slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms, otherwise mostly sunny. Highs 95-104. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight, fair. Lows 70-75. Saturday, sunny. Highs 100-105.

CONCHO VALLEY/EDWARDS PLATEAU — Tonight, fair. Lows in the mid 70s. Saturday, sunny. Highs around 102. Far West Texas — Tonight, mostly fair. Lows in the mid 60s to lower 70s. Saturday, sunny and warmer. Highs 100-103. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, isolated evening thunderstorms, otherwise fair. Lows from the 60s mountains to the upper 70s along the Rio Grande. Saturday, isolated afternoon thunderstorms, otherwise mostly sunny. Highs from the lower 90s mountains to near 110 along the Rio Grande.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight through Saturday night, some late night and early morning cloudiness. Otherwise mostly fair skies during the evening, mostly sunny during the day. Low in the upper 70s to near 80. High near 100 south central and Hill Country, 100 to 105 near the Rio Grande.

Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, mostly fair skies. Low in the 70s inland, 80s coast. Saturday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon showers or thunderstorms. High near 102 inland to near 90 coast. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Tonight, mostly fair skies. Low in the 70s to near 80. Saturday, mostly sunny. High near 90 coast, 101 to 106 Rio Grande plains, 90s to near 100 inland and coastal bend.

NORTH TEXAS — Heat advisory through Saturday for

most of central and east Texas. Afternoon heat index values of 105 to 115 degrees over most of central and east Texas. Tonight, mostly clear and warm. Lows 73 to 81. Saturday, sunny and hot. Highs 99 to 104.

BORDER STATES
NEW MEXICO — Tonight, scattered showers and thunderstorms ending before midnight west and north with partly cloudy skies thereafter. Skies becoming mostly fair southeast after isolated evening thunderstorms. Lows mid 40s to low 60s mountains with 60s to around 70 at lower elevations. Saturday, partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms, mainly mountains and northeast.

Warmer with high 70s to upper 80s mountains and north with 90s to around 105 lower elevations east and south. Lows upper 40s to low 60s mountains with 60s to low 70s at lower elevations.

OKLAHOMA — Tonight and Saturday, partly cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms northern Oklahoma. Lows in the 70s. Highs from 98 to 102. Saturday night, partly cloudy. A chance of rain northern and central Oklahoma. Lows in the 70s.

City briefs

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GREEN'S AUTO Repair, 900 W. Wilks. Auto Tools, Equipment Sale. Fri. & Sat. 8-5 p.m. Cash only. Adv.

PAMPA SENIOR Citizen's Dance, Senior Swingers postponed til July 17th, tapes this Fri. 10th night. Adv.
 21 Ft. Doughboy pool & deck, \$1500 firm. 665-7807. Adv.

DANCE MCLEAN - Country Club, Sat. 11th, 8-11:30 p.m.

Music by Plain Country. Members & guests welcome. Adv.

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GUTHRIE

town, McCloud said. Tuesday, July 14, is Guthrie's birthday. Folk singer Billy Bragg is giving a concert on July 14, in Okemah.

Guthrie's son, Arlo Guthrie, will perform the following weekend at the Free Folk Arts Festival in Okemah along with Tom Paxton, Jimmy LaFave, Kevin Welch, Ray Wylie Hubbard, Ellis Paul, Peter Keane, the Red Dirt Rangers, Bob Childers and Tom Skinner.

"All the acts are donating their talent in order for

us to be able to make this a free concert," McCloud said. "It was Arlo Guthrie who insisted that the concerts be free."

McCloud said three of Guthrie's brothers will be coming from New York, Washington, D.C. and Texas. The brothers haven't seen each other in six years.

Guthrie, who was born in Okemah, moved to Pampa with his family when he was a teenager. It was in Pampa that the American icon bought his first guitar and began writing and performing his music.

Viagra credited for Pfizer's rise in profits

NEW YORK (AP) — The spectacular debut of the impotence drug Viagra helped pharmaceutical giant Pfizer Inc. post a 38 percent increase in second-quarter profits, the company said Thursday.

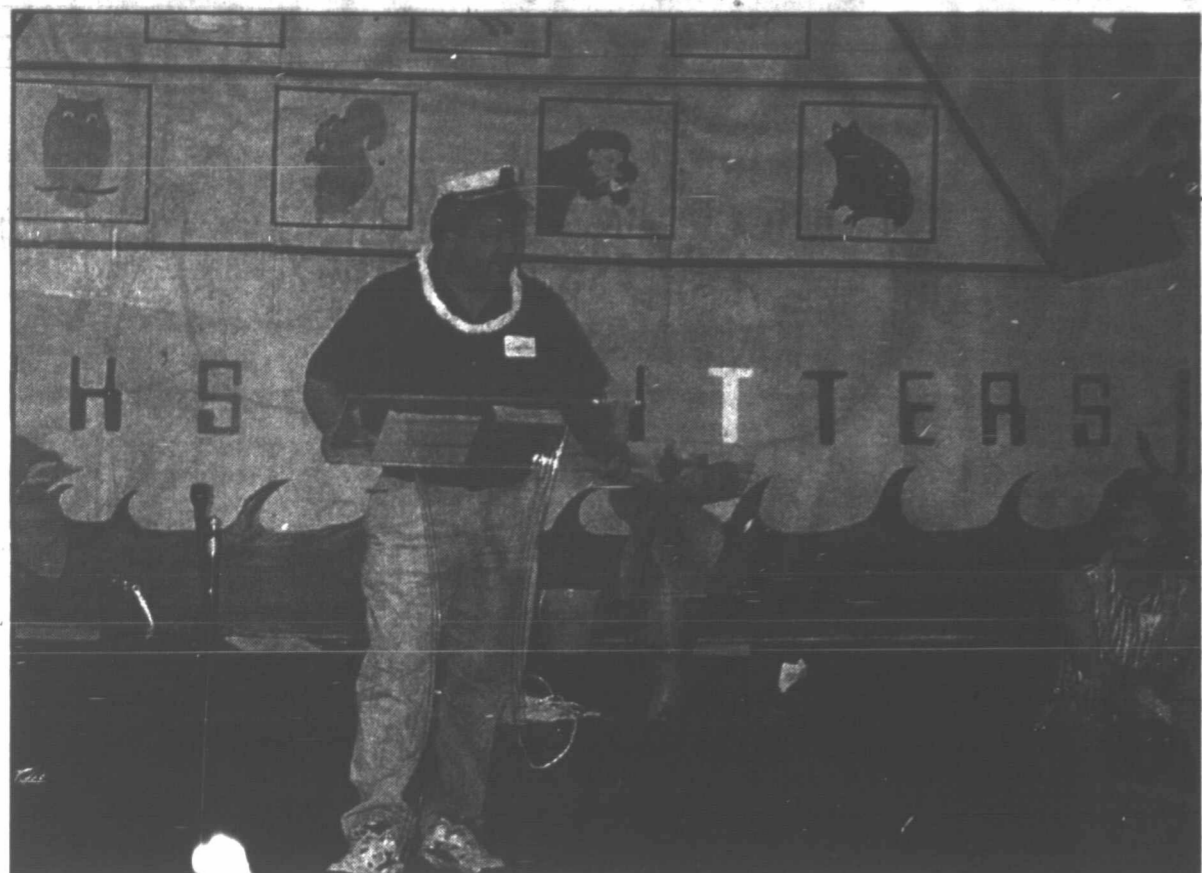
The quarter ended June 28 is the first to reflect

sales of Viagra, which debuted April 10. Since then, 2.7 million prescriptions have been filled and \$411 million in sales have been recorded, Pfizer said.

Pfizer earned \$628 million, or 47 cents per share on a diluted basis, up from \$457, or 35 cents per share, in the same period last year.

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New Life Assembly VBS ...



(Special photo)

New Life Assembly's "Paradise Island" Vacation Bible School with the "Captain" (Pastor Mark Stripling) and "Miss Jean" Terry. Parents are invited to attend the family nite this evening from 7 to 8 to view the children's crafts.



First Baptist VBS ...



(Community Camera photos)

(Top) Brenda Condo tells children the story of Jesus' death while (below) Treasa Heuston helps Megan North and Britton Hornell during craft time at the First Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School last month. Over 450 children participated this year.

Judge orders man shocked for interrupting courtroom

By DEBORAH HASTINGS
Associated Press Writer

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — A judge angered by a defendant's interruptions at a sentencing hearing ordered him zapped with 50,000 volts of electricity from a controversial stun belt.

The incident last week was the first time a defendant had been shocked by a stun belt since Los Angeles County began using them three years ago, Deputy Steve Wheatcroft said Thursday. The devices are powered by batteries and deliver an eight-second current to an area near the left kidney.

They are designed to restrain violent defendants and those considered escape risks. "It will make your body tense up real good, and it will drop some people to their knees," Wheatcroft said.

Ronnie Hawkins, 48, was acting as his own attorney at his sentencing hearing when Municipal Court Judge Joan Comparet-Cassani grew angry

with Hawkins' constant talking. She ordered her bailiff to activate the stun belt that had been fitted under Hawkins' jail jumpsuit.

Hawkins was facing 25 years to life in prison after his petty theft conviction. Because he had two prior felony convictions, his latest crime was classified as a felony under "three-strikes" sentencing guidelines.

His sentencing was postponed until July 29 because Hawkins said he needed to recover from the jolt. Three bystanders in the courtroom complained, including Matthew Huey, a deputy public defender.

"He made no aggressive movement toward anyone, he was not a threat," Huey said. "He was already chained and shackled."

More than 15 states and 100 counties across the country strap inmates into the REACT stun belt, according to manufacturer Stun-Tech Inc. of Cleveland, which said it had been used 27 times without causing physical injury.

The human rights group Amnesty International opposes the stun belt, saying it poses a risk to people with heart ailments and could be used as an instrument of torture.

Mike Concha, a supervisor in the public defender's Long Beach office, said he had spoken to the judge.

"She was concerned for the welfare of the client," Concha said, adding that the judge said she would reconsider using the stun belt again.

The judge declined to comment to reporters Thursday.

Trials ordered for two Marines

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) — A Marine general today ordered military trials on manslaughter charges for the pilot and navigator of a fighter jet that cut an Italian ski gondola cable and killed 20 people.

Lt. Gen. Peter Pace, commander of Marine Corps Forces Atlantic, determined that there was sufficient evidence for a general court-martial for Capt. Richard J. Ashby, the pilot of the EA-6B Prowler anti-radar jet, and Capt. Joseph P. Schweitzer, the navigator.

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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers: Fort Worth Star-Telegram on voter apathy: The Committee for the Study of the American Electorate reported last week that statewide primaries around the nation this year indicated a continued fall-off in voter participation. On that basis, the committee predicts the lowest general election turnout ever when Americans go to the polls in November.

Obviously that is not the direction that any country serious about a system of representative democracy — any republic — would choose to take. It is far from Abraham Lincoln's vision of "government of the people." But beginning in 1974 (after a peak of 32 percent voter turnout in 1970), the numbers have fallen steadily. In primaries this year, only 17 percent of the voting-age public has responded.

The problem, says the committee, is "motivational." Its director, Curtis Gans, says we are witnessing "disaffection, disinterest and disengagement from politics."

True enough. So the question is, "Why?" and the possible answers would fill a book:

— Beginning with the Vietnam era and Watergate, right through current investigations and the rise of partisanship for its own sake in Washington, there has been a steady succession of events calculated to erode confidence in government and the political system.

— America may be witnessing a drop in the caliber of men and women offering themselves for leadership positions through the political system. We've always elected our portion of lightweights, but perhaps we see more of them in responsible positions than in decades past. It is definite that some of the brightest and most caring are leaving public service, discouraged by the lack of common courtesy and by the increasingly dominant role of money in politics.

— One school of thought says that a reason for a drop in quality is a more aggressive (and sometimes less responsible) media. Since Watergate, the media have actively pursued not only the public peccadilloes of political figures but also their private lives. To many Americans who would be potentially first-rate public servants, the scrutiny and aggravation "just isn't worth it" for themselves or their families.

— Television, the 900-pound gorilla of late 20th-century life, has had some unfortunate effects upon politics. Using television forces a change in message and tactics. Considerations of time and cost appear to result in more negative advertising and less explanation of issues. And with television, along with the need for huge amounts of campaign money, has risen the industry of campaign consultants and spin doctors whose job is to get the client elected, no matter what that requires. Meanwhile, public confidence and interest in the system wanes.

We can hope that the current disaffection and disinterest is a passing thing — the result, perhaps, of too many Americans living high on the hog in prosperous times in which the nation faces no threatening emergencies.

But it also can be seen as a serious challenge to the nation's younger generations. They — people under 40 for the most part — haven't known war or economic bad times in the same way as their elders (even their 50-ish baby boomer elders like President Clinton or House Speaker Newt Gingrich). It may be up to these "youngsters" to find their own motivation for political participation and public service. If they find it, they may yet save the republican dream of popular government.

San Antonio Express-News on credit union bill:

Question: What has become of the bill the U.S. House passed, 411-8, in April to help credit unions overcome a February Supreme Court ruling that will limit their membership and their ability to grow?

Answer: It has bogged down in the U.S. Senate.

The future of H.R. 1151, the Credit Union Membership Act, is important to 32 million U.S. credit union members. (Five million of them live in Texas, and nearly one-fifth of those members, or 900,000, are in the San Antonio area, according to the Texas Credit Union League.)

The Supreme Court on Feb. 25 ruled invalid a 1982 federal regulation that permitted federally chartered credit unions to accept members from outside their chartered membership group or occupation.

Propelled by constituents, the House moved quickly to supersede the ruling, passing H.R. 1151 April 1.

On April 30, the Senate Banking Committee passed, 16-2, its version of the bill, which appeared to be heading for a compromise and passage by Congress before summer.

However, the bill remains stalled in the Senate.

A few other events also have taken place since the House passed H.R. 1151.

Within days, Citicorp and Travelers announced a merger; then NationsBank and BankAmerica; then BancOne and 1st Chicago.

As more local banks are swallowed by bigger banks and the bigger banks merge, there is less competition for consumers.

It only stands to reason that bank service charges such as credit card rates will not fall as competition decreases.

Because they are not-for-profit organizations, credit unions present a lower-rate alternative, probably keeping bank rates lower than they would be if credit unions did not exist.

If banks are keeping the credit union bill captive in the bowels of Senate, shame on them.

Credit unions hold a small share, reportedly about 3 percent, of U.S. savings. They tend to service average working people, rather than high wage earners.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, voted for the bill in the Banking Committee. He must help now in getting it to the floor for a final vote.



Teacher made into martyr

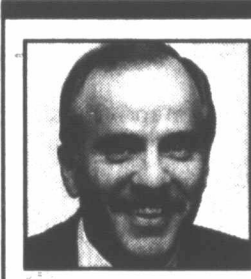
Conservatives generally believe in upholding the law and punishing those who break it. But Republican leaders in Congress are lining up in support of someone who used a position of public trust to defy the law, expresses no regret about it and gives every indication of planning to do so again if given the chance.

No, not Bill Clinton. The person they are defending is Mildred Rosario, a substitute public school teacher who was recently dismissed for taking it upon herself to implement her own interpretation of the separation of church and state.

On June 8, she was teaching bilingual education at an intermediate school in the Bronx when the principal went on the public address system to request a moment of silence for a student who had drowned. Asked by a child where the boy was, Rosario replied that he was in heaven.

After some discussion about God and the hereafter, the teacher invited any students who didn't want to participate to take a book and read in the back of the room. She then asked "if anyone would like to accept Jesus as their personal savior." Rosario then went through the aisles, praying aloud and placing her hand on the forehead of each child who had assented.

A parent objected, a disciplinary hearing convened, and Rosario was fired. This set off an uproar. Parents with children at the school rallied on her behalf. New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani and Speaker Newt Gingrich protested her removal. House Republican Whip Tom DeLay of Texas appeared with Rosario at a news conference, claiming that in the New York school system, "pedophiles have more access to our children than teachers who have a deep commitment to faith." Overnight, Rosario



Steve Chapman
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became the poster girl for those who say the Constitution has been twisted to mandate persecution of Christians.

But Rosario wasn't fired for her religion. For that matter, she wasn't punished for openly expressing her own Pentecostal faith when she said that the drowned boy was in heaven. If that had been all, said New York Civil Liberties Union executive director Norman Siegel, "no one would have made a big deal of it."

Rosario, however, didn't stop at merely stating her beliefs. She tried to convert students to her version of Christianity by inviting them to accept Jesus as savior, right then and there. Altar calls are fine in church and revival meetings, but under our Constitution, they don't belong in public schools — a point that is not in dispute among serious people.

Michael McConnell, a University of Utah law professor who is among the legal scholars most respected among conservatives, says, "if you're going to have public schools, you can't have teachers engaged in overt proselytizing." What would DeLay say if a Jewish or Muslim teacher — motivated by a "deep commitment to faith" — asked Christian students to renounce their belief in Jesus as Lord?

Critics contrast Rosario's case with that of

Peter Melzer, a New York high school teacher who belonged to a group that advocates sex between men and boys. In fact, the board removed him from the classroom and tried to fire him. There is a big difference between the two cases: Melzer was punished for belonging to the organization even though he was never accused of trying to seduce students. Rosario was punished for proselytizing the children in her care, not for being a Christian.

Giuliani and Gingrich insist that even if Rosario was in the wrong, the loss of her job is too harsh a penalty for a single mistake. And you know what? They're right. Hardly anyone would have demanded her dismissal for that alone.

The problem, administrators say, is that at the disciplinary hearing, she refused to agree to stop her missionary efforts in school — and then started preaching the Gospel to the board members. "Her written statement indicated that she had a religious sense of obligation to advocate her choice of Christianity," said Chiara Coletti, a board spokesman. Rosario herself says, "I do not regret what I did because God is going to give me the victory."

What is the Board of Education supposed to do when a teacher decides on her own that the Supreme Court's writ does not run in her classroom? Give her a raise?

In the end, the controversy is not about the school board's aversion to any expression of Christian faith but about some conservatives' aversion to abiding by laws and court rulings they dislike. "There was no choice but to fire her," said Coletti, "because we are a governmental agency and we are required to follow constitutional law." Why is it some Republican officeholders don't feel the same obligation?

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, July 10, the 191st day of 1998. There are 174 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
 On July 10, 1940, during World War Two, the 114-day Battle of Britain began as Nazi forces began attacking southern England by air.

By late October, Britain managed to repel the Luftwaffe, which suffered heavy losses.

On this date:

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

In 1890, Wyoming became the 44th state.

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

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

In 1943, during World War II, U.S. and British forces invaded Sicily.

In 1951, armistice talks aimed at ending the Korean conflict began at Kaesong.

In 1962, the Telstar communications satellite was launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

In 1973, the Bahamas became independent after three centuries of British colonial rule.

In 1991, Boris N. Yeltsin took the

oath of office as the first elected president of the Russian republic.

In 1992, a federal judge in Miami sentenced former Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega, convicted of drug and racketeering charges, to 40 years in prison.

Ten years ago: Opposition party activists in Mexico blocked a bridge linking their country to the United States, charging that Mexico's recent presidential election was marked by widespread fraud.

Liberty is dear to our hearts

Dan Rather
 Syndicated columnist

It's sad but true that many Americans celebrating this past July Fourth don't know what's being celebrated.

This comes to mind as one ponders two recent headlines: President Clinton's trip to China, and the official word that the identity of the Unknown Soldier of the Vietnam War is no longer unknown.

The president used his China trip to speak forcefully about American values, specifically freedom. He did so after what many people considered an unnecessary kowtow to his dictator hosts at Tiananmen Square.

This appearance was a sacrifice of sorts, since the same communist hierarchy had murderously mauled a movement for freedom and democracy centered in that very square in 1989.

But after giving his hosts the photo-op they wanted at Tiananmen Square, Mr. Clinton began speaking about the values most dear to Americans.

Presidents must speak of the great subjects of our Republic. Sadly, few do it often.

When Abraham Lincoln spoke at Gettysburg, he set the example. Lincoln reminded his audience (and every subsequent generation of Americans) of the purpose of the Civil War — and, indeed, of the purpose of the United States.

He sought to dedicate a military cemetery, although he conceded that, "in a larger sense,

we cannot dedicate — we cannot consecrate — we cannot hallow this ground." The soldiers who "gave the last full measure of devotion" had already done so, he said.

It was a speech for the ages, an eloquent statement of the American Spirit.

Lincoln's words rang anew when we learned the identity of the Vietnam War pilot whose remains had been interred in the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington Memorial Cemetery.

No one ever got around to making a "Gettysburg Address" that would explain to us the purpose of our role in the Vietnam War. Yet throughout my reporting in that war, I found that the men and women who served there already knew their purpose.

We should never forget, nor allow subsequent generations to forget, that whatever the government's purpose may have been in waging the Vietnam War, most of the American men and women who went, believed they were fighting for freedom.

This reporter was honored to have covered America's warriors in Vietnam. I am proud to have known them, proud to have witnessed

their odyssey in that green jungle hell.

They may have gone to the wrong war, but they went for the right reasons: They believed in service to their country, and they believed in the cause of liberty.

Today, where the remains of Michael Blasiie once rested in the Tomb of the Unknowns, there is an empty space.

For many Americans, the Vietnam War itself is like a space that can't be filled. As a nation, we strive to pay apt tribute to those who served and sacrificed. At the same time, we feel conflicting emotions: pride in our sons and daughters, dismay at the bloodshed, grief at the losses, anger at those who lied to us, frustration at the victory that history denied us.

Advances in forensic science now make it unlikely that another unknown warrior from Vietnam or any future war will ever rest in the Tomb at Arlington.

So how can America as a nation pay tribute to our men and women who gave that "last full measure of devotion"?

We may never find a way. But we must surely try.

The Chinese are still struggling to understand and obtain liberty. The Americans are still struggling to uphold it.

We have known terrible casualties in that struggle. But the cause was never sweeter. And that's what we celebrated.

Triple ax murder in quiet Colorado foothills community

GOLDEN, Colo. (AP) — Peering through the window of the townhouse outside this foothills community west of Denver, the deputy could see a body in a black plastic bag wrapped with duct tape.

There were two other bodies inside, one so mutilated that its sex could not be determined without an autopsy. All three victims were women.

Suspected of killing them is William Lee "Cody" Neal, a 42-year-old painter recognizable for his black cowboy hat, jeans and boots who neighbors say longed to be a bounty hunter. Police say the murder weapon was an ax.

Authorities say Neal also held three other women hostage at an apartment in Denver, miles away, for three days this week. One of those women told police a horri-

fic tale: that Neal brought her to the townhouse Sunday, tied her up on a bed with two bodies nearby and forced her to watch him rape and bludgeon the third victim to death.

Police say Neal has confessed not only to authorities but to a Denver television news director. He was being held without bond today on charges of murder, kidnapping and sexual assault.

"I tried for I don't know how many years to tell people that I was scared of him, but nobody believed me because they didn't see that side of him," said Jennifer Neal, the suspect's estranged wife. "He's very ill-tempered."

The victims were discovered Wednesday when police went to the home of Rebecca Holberton, 44, after co-workers at US West Communications Inc. said she had not shown up for work. The home, about 15 miles outside Denver, is several miles from Golden, a community of 13,000 that bills itself as the place "Where the West lives" and is home to the Coors Brewing Co., the nation's third-largest brewer.

One victim had cuts on her head and neck, a second had a plastic bag covering her head and the third was wrapped in a blanket and several layers of plastic, Jefferson County authorities said in an affidavit.

The victims were identified as Angela Fite, 28, and Candace Walters, 48, both of suburban Denver. US West officials said the third was Holberton, a 25-year company veteran who was to begin new duties Monday.

Walters' daughter, Holly Walters, said she reported her mother missing Wednesday; the elder Walters and Neal were supposed to go to Las Vegas for the Fourth of July weekend.

As the investigation into the slayings began, three women called police to say they had been held captive by Neal in their Denver apartment since Sunday and that he had just left Wednesday. One described how Neal took her to the townhouse and forced her to watch Ms. Fite's murder, then took her back to Denver.

Neal held the women hostage by threatening them constantly with death, the affidavit said.

Investigators were told by the women that Neal offered to confess if paged by police. The affidavit said that's just what police did, getting a three-hour interview from Neal that included a confession.

Neal also allegedly called KWGN-TV on Wednesday and confessed to news director Steve Grund, whom he knew, according to the affidavit. Grund says he didn't believe him at first.

At Neal's arrest, Grund said he asked Neal why: "He was clearly exhausted, and he just said, 'As I told you Steve, I've been doing this since the Army.'"

British documentary portrays Patsy and John Ramsey as victims of witch hunt

LONDON (AP) — The parents of JonBenet Ramsey broke a 14-month silence in a British television documentary aired Thursday that portrayed them as victims of a police witch hunt.

In a documentary aired by Channel 4, John and Patsy Ramsey insist they could never have killed their 6-year-old daughter and criticized the Boulder, Colo., police department for the way the case has been handled.

JonBenet, a former Little Miss Colorado, was found beaten and strangled Dec. 26, 1996, in her Boulder home. There have been no arrests, and authorities have said only that Patsy and John Ramsey are under suspicion.

Both Ramseys denied involvement.

"I don't know what happened," Patsy Ramsey said in the interview. "God knows, and he's not telling."

John Ramsey said that when he was told that police had tried to withhold his daughter's body for burial until they could interview him, his wife and their son, he lost all confidence in them.

"They were not there to help us, they were there to hang us. We became very suspicious, defensive, untrusting," he said.

John Ramsey also denied allegations that he bought pornography and that he had abused his other children. His story is supported by interviews with the adult children of his first marriage and his first wife, Lucinda Ramsey-Johnson.

John Ramsey "is affectionate, he is kind and very gentle," she said.

"He has never ever raised a hand to any of his children. He has never ever abused us in any way," said Ramsey's elder daughter, Melinda.

Friends and relatives interviewed in the documentary said that from the day after the killing, police tried to pressure the Ramseys into admitting guilt by leaking information to the media.

A doctor who saw JonBenet 27 times for a variety of mild illnesses said there was no sign that she was ever sexually abused.

The program also quoted from Boulder social services, who concluded that JonBenet's brother, Burke, had not been physically or sexually abused either. Police watched the interview between social workers and the then 9-year-old behind a two-way mirror.

Both Ramseys fiercely deny any involvement in the death of their daughter.

"The American public has been led to believe that, after a wonderful Christmas, we brutally beat JonBenet, sexually molested her, strangled her, went to sleep, got up the next morning, wrote a ransom note, called the police, sat around the house for four hours, then I went downstairs and discovered her body and was able to act distraught," John Ramsey said.

Police have been criticized for their handling of the case, particularly for failing to secure the crime scene and allowing John Ramsey to search the home and find JonBenet's body.

He found her about eight hours after Mrs. Ramsey said she found a ransom note demanding

CC Board of Regents announces new interim president, Dr. Raymond Hawkins

CLARENDON — The Clarendon College Board of Regents has announced that Dr. Raymond Hawkins will serve as interim president of Clarendon College, beginning Aug. 1, 1998.

Dr. Hawkins was hired, by a unanimous vote, at a special Clarendon College Board of Regents meeting in June.

Dr. Hawkins will take the place of Dr. Scott Elliott, who resigned May 29, to become president of Meridian Community College in Meridian, Miss. Elliott had served three years as president of Clarendon College.

Currently, Dr. Hawkins is interim president of San Jacinto Community College's north and south campuses. San Jacinto Community College has

four campuses in Houston and Pasadena, and an enrollment of 36,532 students. He has served as interim president at San Jacinto Community College for 18 months.

According to R.L. Gilkey, chairman of the Clarendon College Board of Regents, the interim president will spend two-three months getting to know what Clarendon College needs before starting the search for the college's next president.

Dr. Hawkins possesses a long list of community college experience. He served as president of Tyler Junior College for 13 years. Prior to that, he was the dean of instruction of Tarrant County Junior College District-Northeast Campus, and the director of Community College Programs for the Texas Higher

Education Coordinating Board.

He has served as an executive committee member for the American Association of Community Colleges, board of directors for the Southern Association of Community, Junior and Technical Colleges, and as a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Dr. Hawkins is also a past president of the Texas Association of Community Colleges, as well as the Association of Texas Colleges and Universities.

Dr. Hawkins earned a Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin, and completed post-master's work at the University of Tennessee. He earned a master's degree from Stephen F. Austin University, and a bachelor's degree from UT-Austin.

Senate Republican patients rights legislation nearing completion

By ALICE ANN LOVE

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republicans are putting the finishing touches on legislation that would give consumers new protections against restrictive health plans, including a requirement that insurers pay something for care provided by any doctor patients choose.

GOP sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said members of a task force drafting the proposal are expected to agree that health plans requiring patients to use certain doctors who accept the plan's prices also should have to pay outside doctors if a patient is willing to pick up extra costs.

However, members of the Republican task force led by Majority Whip Don Nickles had

not yet decided whether to insert a provision expanding patients' rights to sue their health plans, the sources said.

Better opportunities for patients to take health plans to court are a key demand of consumer groups and are included in rival legislation backed by the White House and congressional Democrats, which has set off one of the most politically-charged debates in the run-up to the fall elections.

Wherever the GOP task force comes down on the issue, they are expected to propose that insurance companies be required to have a process patients can use to appeal to an outside arbiter when coverage of care is denied.

Other points that remain undecided by the task force include whether to bar insurance companies from charging higher prices to people genetically predis-

posed to certain illnesses and whether to expand the availability of tax-exempt medical savings accounts, sources said.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, and others involved said "we're close to having it done."

The measure is likely to assure patients' trips to the emergency room will be covered by insurance if they had good reason to believe their visit was warranted.

Also, women are expected to be guaranteed the right to choose an obstetrician/gynecologist as their main doctor, skirting some health plans' requirement for prior authorization before appointments.

Several sources said GOP senators on the task force favor grant-

Navy corpsman receives Medal of Honor for heroism in Vietnam

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than 30 years after his acts of heroism on a Vietnam battlefield, Robert R. Ingram is being awarded the Medal of Honor, the highest military decoration.

President Clinton was making the presentation today at a White House ceremony.

Ingram, of Jacksonville, Fla., was a 21-year-old Navy hospital corpsman when he accompanied a platoon of Marines into battle in Quang Ngai province on March 28, 1966. He survived four serious wounds in that battle — one a bullet through the head.

The official citation accompanying Ingram's Medal of Honor tells the story best:

"Suddenly, the village tree line exploded with an intense hail of automatic rifle fire from approxi-

mately 100 North Vietnamese regulars. In mere moments, the platoon ranks were decimated.

"Oblivious to the danger, Petty Officer Ingram crawled across the bullet splattered terrain to reach a downed Marine. As he administered aid, a bullet went through the palm of his hand.

"Calls for 'corpsman' echoed across the ridge. Bleeding, he edged across the fire-swept landscape, collecting ammunition from the dead and administering aid to the wounded."

He then was shot in the knee. Limping, he moved on to other casualties. A Vietnamese soldier popped up and shot Ingram in the head. The bullet entered beneath his right eye, went through his sinuses, and exited at the left side of the skull where the jaw attaches.

Clarendon College discards old logo for more modern design

CLARENDON — Clarendon College has a new, modern look thanks to a new logo, according to CC Centennial Committee.

The new copyrighted logo features interlocking letters and the statement "Quality Education Since 1898." The Centennial logo was designed by CC alumnus, Roger Estlack.

The new logo will be featured on apparel such as T-shirts, golf shirts, caps, commemorative coins and official school flags.

Clarendon College will celebrate its 100th anniversary on Saturday, Sept. 5, 1998. Special events are planned including class reunions, an all-school photo, a barbecue luncheon, a monument dedication and a Centennial banquet, featuring Rep. Mac Thornberry.

For more information regarding the Clarendon College Centennial logo or the upcoming Centennial Celebration, please contact Christi Ross, at (806) 874-3571.

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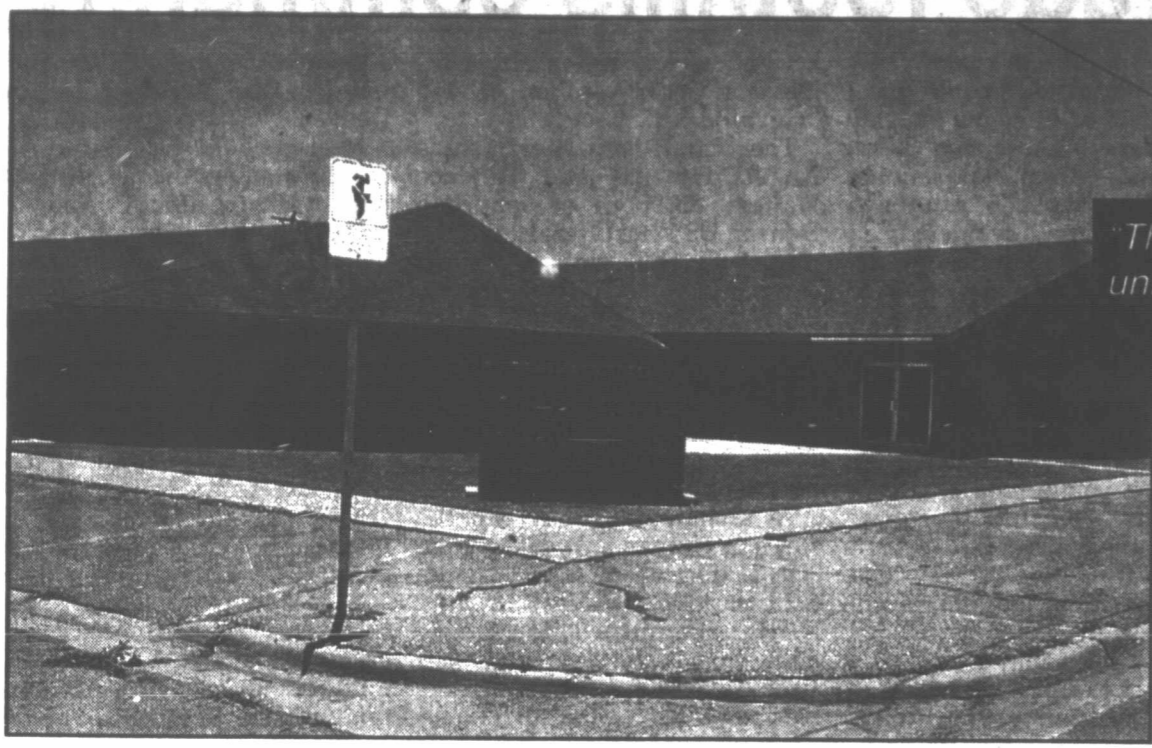
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RELIGION

A blessing in the mountains

KATAHDIN STREAM CAMPGROUND, Me. — The trail which guides hikers from the top of Mt. Katahdin, spits them into Katahdin Stream Campground. The campground is at the end of an all-weather dirt road which also serves Abol Campground and other stopping points in Baxter State Park.

Hikers emerging from Maine forests may have taken day leisurely day hikes to cascading water falls or they may be hardcore hikers who've summited Mt. Katahdin from its other side carrying 40-pound packs and eyeing Springer Mountain, Ga. as their final destination.

I saw a man wearing a Louisiana State University t-shirt walk into the campground. Had he not been so exhausted, he would have given a victory whoop, I'm sure. Civilization, even of the rough sort, clearly looked good to him.

He was bowed down under his backpack and instead of perky, eager strides, each step was a near shuffle. His hiking boots had been traded for Converse hightops and you could tell he was looking for some place to crash.

We were about to pass him on the road out but he looked so dog tired, we slowed our car and asked the man if he needed a ride to the closest town, Millinocket. He brightened as if



his guardian angel had suddenly appeared. "Yes, yes," he said, "And I'm a Baptist minister and God will bless you for this."

So the 35-ish looking man climbed into the Suburban's front seat and we passed him cheap cookies and a slightly warm Coca-Cola. It is so easy to make some people happy.

As we headed toward his destination, Abol Campground only a few miles away, we asked what brought him to Mt. Katahdin, Maine's highest peak and northern terminus of the Appalachian Trail. The preacher told us it was his calling in life to climb each of the fifty states' highest peaks and pray for the

governor and legislators of that state and to offer prayers for America.

"And," he added sheepishly, "It's a sabbatical for me. Gets me away from the church ladies for awhile."

Just a few weeks before, he explained, he'd tried to call his wife via cellular phone from California's Mt. Whitney. When she wasn't home, the preacher called his mother instead.

Next, he plans to scale peaks in Vermont and New Hampshire, before returning to Louisiana and sponsorship of the youth mission trip.

The Baptists in our bunch asked him if he knew their preachers - he knew Dr. Charles Stanley of Atlanta but didn't know another small town pastor - the rest of us peppered him with questions about his seminary, his church and family.

When we arrived at Abol Campground, he jumped out of the car refreshed by the sugar rush and suddenly-we're-best-friends chatter.

As he headed for his rental car, he looked back over his shoulder and called, "You'll be blessed. I promise."

No, Rev, I think you're the one who will be blessed.

Religion briefs...

Lutherans off for trip to Germany

This week 15 members of Zion Lutheran Church and families will leave on a nine day trip to Germany. This Lutheran Heritage Tour is being hosted by Pastor Hasskarl of Zion Lutheran Church in Pampa. Other Lutherans will join the tour in Frankfurt, Germany.

The tour will travel to many of the historic towns that played key roles in the Lutheran Reformation such as Wittenberg and Erfurt. The group will visit many of the sites made famous by the Reformation including the Castle Church where Luther posted the 95 Theses and the Wartburg Castle where Luther was hidden by his friends to protect him. In addition, the group will visit many of the other popular spots in Germany. These include the medieval town of Rothenburg and the Bavarian Castles of King Ludwig. The tour will wrap up with a day of sightseeing in Munich before returning to the U.S.

Gospel singing Sunday from 2-4 p.m.

First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, will host the monthly Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. Sunday afternoon, July 12th. Singers and musicians from a number of Pampa churches and the surrounding area are expected. Those who play musical instruments, sing, or just enjoy hearing good Gospel music are invited.

The event features a good deal of congregational singing, with which everyone can join in, as well as special instrumental and vocal numbers. Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation extend a welcome for everyone to attend.

Conference on gays draws critics

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — A national Catholic conference on gay ministries set for September is already attracting opposition.

Rochester Bishop Matthew Clark will deliver the welcoming address at the Sept. 17-20 gathering of the National Association of Catholic Diocesan Lesbian and Gay Ministries. The teaching conference is expected to draw several hundred participants from more than 30 dioceses nationwide.

Some Catholics oppose the conference; others oppose Clark's support of the conference and the local diocesan ministry to gays.

"The conference defies the Catholic church teaching," says Michael Macaluso. He heads the predominantly Catholic organization, Citizens for a Decent Community, and works with the local chapter of Catholics United for the Faith.

But Clark calls opponents "a small voice" and endorses his ministry as "thoroughly and totally Gospel-based and within the teachings of the church." He and other ministers, he says, are trying to reach out in love to "a people who so easily

can be reviled."

The Roman Catholic Church, acknowledges homosexuality as an orientation but declared homosexual sex a sin.

Clark says he supports the teaching. He and others say the ministry to homosexuals is intended to help reconcile, not preach at or create obstacles for, gays and lesbians.

Worshipping behind the wheel

YORK, Pa. (AP) — Members of Temple Baptist Church need go no farther than the parking lot to attend Sunday services.

The Rev. Jim Ward delivers his weekly sermon on AM radio, and on car radios at this drive-in service.

"There are barriers in the minds of people about church," Ward says. But this way "the threshold of anxiety is lowered because they're in their cars; they're dressed how they want to dress."

The York Township church has offered drive-in religion since the early 1980s. About 20 people regularly show up, Ward says. Some like the convenience. Others dislike crowds. A few are physical-

ly infirm. A few bring their dogs.

"It's very casual," says Gladys Grove of Leader Heights, a regular for about five years. "You just come as you are. That's the biggest thing."

Amish parody band to play at fair

ARTHUR, Ill. (AP) — They wear fake beards and perform songs like "Come Together and Build a Barn," but the Electric Amish say they do not mean to offend.

Some of the 4,000 Amish who live in this area of central Illinois are not amused that the group is scheduled to perform July 25 at the Moultrie-Douglas County Fair.

"There are aspects of Amish life that are funny and the Amish have a sense of humor, but this doesn't feel quite right," said Wilmer Otto, an Arcola real estate agent who was raised Amish. "This looks like one more effort to make money off of someone else's religion."

The Amish are committed to a simple, peaceful and pious life. They shun commercialism and technology as distractions.

The band's albums "Barn to Be Wild" and

"Milkin' It" have sold 50,000 copies since 1993. None of the three musicians is or ever was Amish.

India's Jains open temple

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich. (AP) — With song, dance and colorful attire, celebrants of the ancient Jain religion welcomed their first temple in Michigan.

The \$5 million, 25,000-square-foot temple gives adherents of the religion a place to worship. Jain is based on tolerance and nonviolence. "This is a whole new beginning," said Neil Shah, 16. "When our parents were in India, they could pray in the temple in the morning or in the evening. Now we have that opportunity."

Some 330 families sponsored the temple that was 23 years in the planning.

Pampa's many churches invite you to worship there.

Do you have church activity photos you'd like to share with our readers? If so, bring them to *The Pampa News* office at 403 W. Atchison. And, don't forget, all people shown in the photos must be identified. Thanks!



SUNDAY SNAPSHOT

Anyone Can Do It ... And It's This Simple Just Fill Out The Following Questions (you do not have to answer all the questions to be a Sunday Snapshot) And Bring It To The Pampa News Office. We Can Take Your Picture In The Office Or You Can Bring A Favorite Photo With You. It's That Easy ... And It's For All Ages!

- Name:
- Occupation/Activities:
- Birth Date & Place:
- Family:
- If I had a different job, I'd be a: "or"
- When I grow up I want to be:
- My personal hero:
- The best advice I ever got was:
- People who knew me in High School thought: "or"
- My classmates think of me as:
- The best word or words to describe me:
- People will remember me as being:
- The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be:
- My hobbies are:
- My favorite sports team is:
- My favorite author is:
- The last book I read was:
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- The biggest honor I've ever received is:
- My favorite performer is:
- I wish I knew how to:
- My trademark cliché or expression is:
- My worst habit is:
- I would never:
- The last good movie I saw was:
- I stay home to watch:
- Nobody knows:
- I drive a: "or"
- Someday I want to drive a:
- My favorite junk food is:
- My favorite beverage:
- My favorite restaurant is:
- My favorite pet:
- For my last meal, I would choose: "or"
- My favorite meal is:
- I wish I could sing like:
- I'm happiest when I'm:
- I regret:
- I'm tired of:
- I have a phobia about: "or"
- My biggest fear is:
- The electrical device I couldn't live without is:
- My most embarrassing moment:
- The biggest waste of time is:
- If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is:
- If I had three wishes they would be:
- If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be:



If you, or someone you know, is the slightest bit Quirky ... **UNIQUE** ... **BIZARRE** ... interesting ... wonderful! or just-plain-fun-to-know... Write it down. Bring it by and let's get to know

OUR NEIGHBORS...

A series of stories on the people, for the people and by the people!

Person Nominated..... Phone.....
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Frustrated Dad Feels Old Hurts As Daughter Neglects Her Sons

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter is in her late 30s. She's been married and divorced and has two sons. She is now living with a leech, a man who does not contribute to the household rent or food, and treats the boys like dirt. She provides for all his needs from her spousal support, while her kids walk around with holes in their shoes and unkempt clothing.

When I was a child, my mother abandoned me. She gave me away to my aunt to raise. My aunt worked at menial jobs to keep me clothed and fed. My mother did not contribute to my upkeep. She left the town where we lived. My aunt saw to it that I graduated from high school. She could not send me to college, but she planted the education seed, and when I became self-sufficient, I went to college, worked and graduated. My aunt, God bless her soul, was the best mother until her death a few years ago.

Now I have been abandoned a second time, this time by my daughter. My wife and I discussed with her the living arrangement she now has, told her she should get rid of this leech and provide a more stable home for her boys. We're not telling her not to have any friends or lovers, only not to let them live off her and mistreat her sons.

Based on your advice to others, as I recall, if I ask you what to do, you will tell me to leave her alone and let her live her own life. However, she is not alone. Her boys need more guidance than to have a leech misguide them through life. What's



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

your advice?

TWICE ABANDONED

DEAR TWICE ABANDONED: What you are reacting to so strongly isn't "abandonment" by your daughter. It's what you perceive to be neglect on her part to properly nurture her children. And you are not wrong if the picture you have painted is accurate.

I advise you to call your daughter and begin mending fences for the sake of the boys. Take them into your home as often as you can - after school, weekends, etc. - and since you have attained financial stability, give your grandsons the items you see they need. It is within your power to remedy the neglect if you wish to do so.

DEAR ABBY: This concerns "Hurt Brother in Ohio," who has been given power of attorney by his mother.

I would ask the brother who has the power of attorney to be broad-

minded in regard to his older, smarter (his words) and angry brother. I suspect a long-standing anger has affected the mother herself, and perhaps all her children. The angry brother may be silent, but I'll bet he has a story to tell.

If the mother is 90, these brothers are not kids. Both of these men have possibly spent years being compared to each other, and it has served neither of them well. It's way too late for the mother to sort it out, if what I surmise contains a seed of truth.

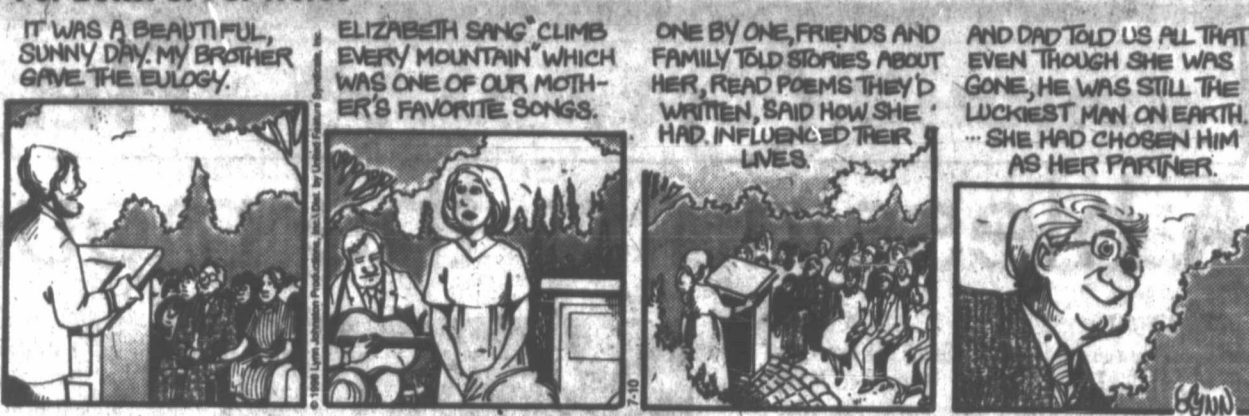
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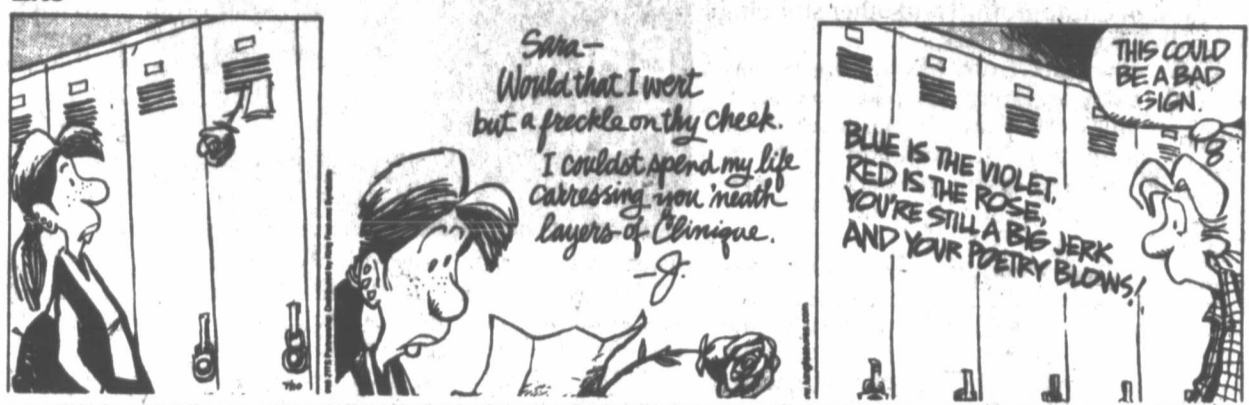
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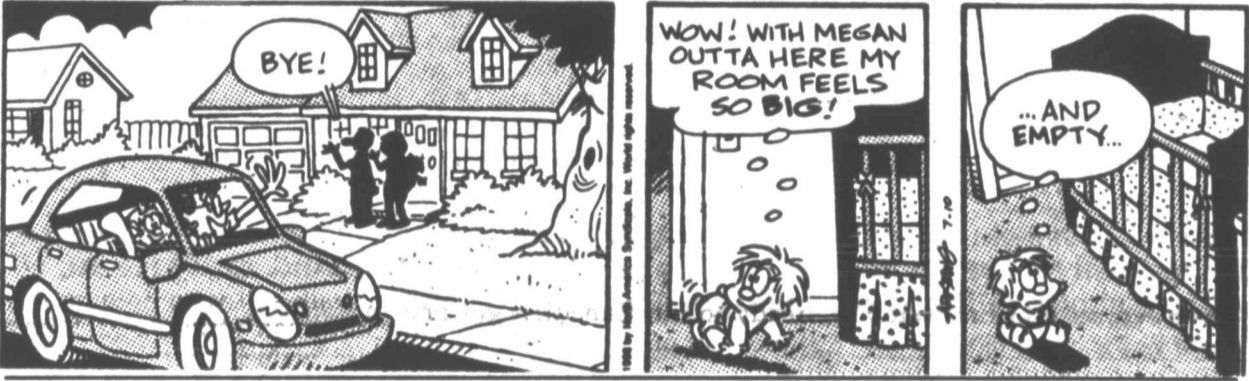
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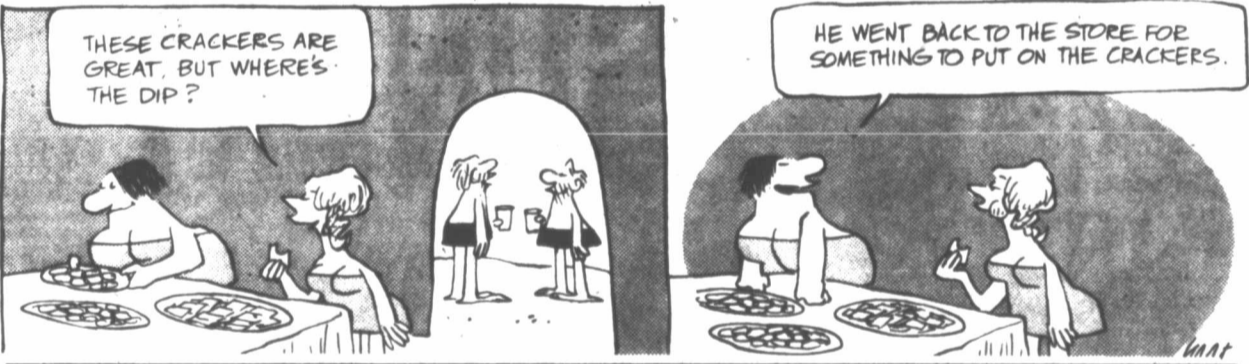
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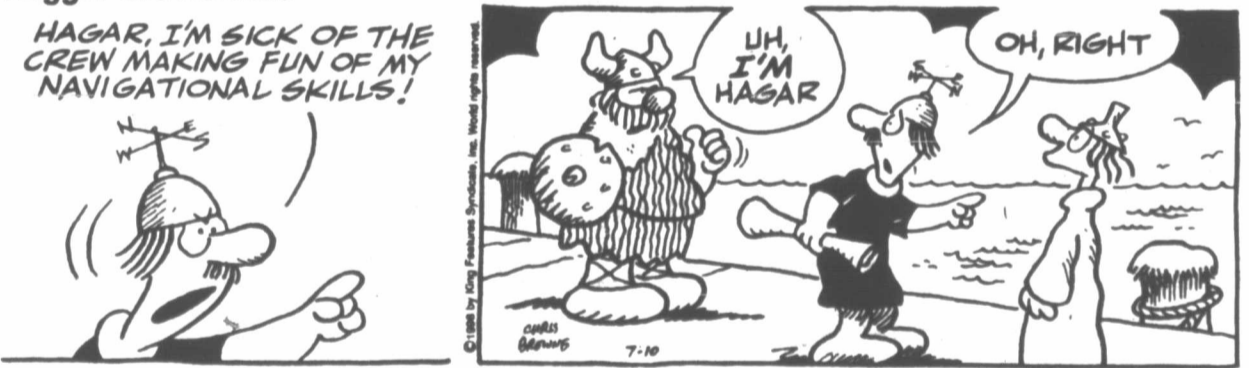
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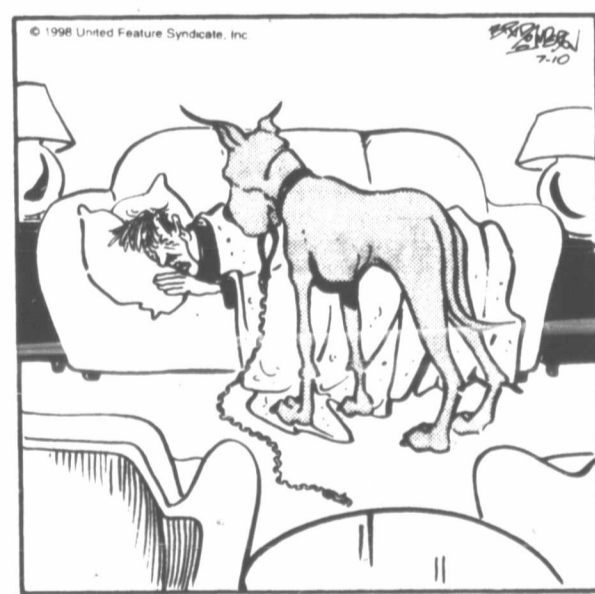
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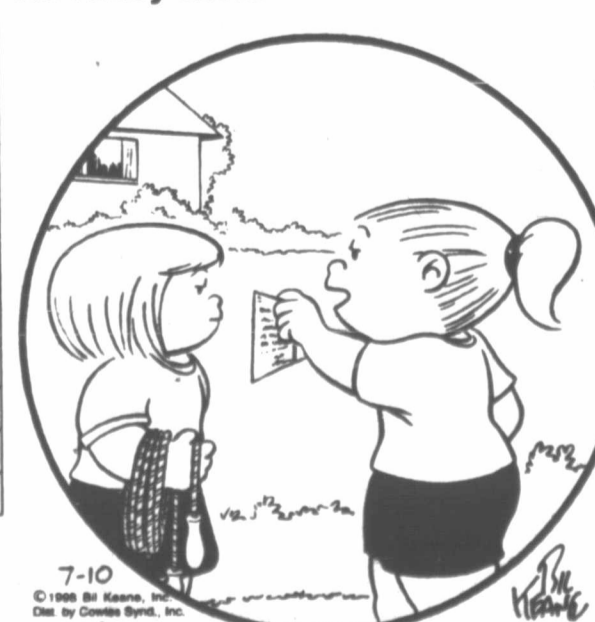
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SPORTS

Rangers open second half with victory

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BASEBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Chris George, who led Klein High School to the Class 5A state baseball championship this year, has signed a professional contract with the Kansas City Royals.

Chris George won all 15 starts for Klein in his senior year, going the distance in each start and achieving a 1.15 earned-run average. He had signed previously to play college baseball at Rice University.

But Kansas City made him the 31st overall pick in last month's major league baseball amateur draft.

His father, Rick George, told KRIV-TV of Houston that Chris will take a physical Monday and then report to the Royals' rookie league team in Fort Myers, Fla.

FOOTBALL

DALLAS — Hobbled by ankle surgery, Dallas Cowboys cornerback Deion Sanders is doubtful for the beginning of training camp next week.

Cowboys coach Chan Gailey said he might hold Sanders from the first week or so of drills as a precaution. The move could hurt Gailey's plans to have the Pro Bowl defender double as a wide receiver.

"It's going to be touch-and-go," Gailey said Thursday. "He's not cutting a lot, so that'll hamper him early. He's mainly able to run straight ahead."

Sanders' attempt to play offense had failed two years ago.

GOLF

COAL VALLEY, ILL. (AP) — Curt Byrum wasn't sure he'd ever see his name on top of a leader board again, even in the first round of a tournament usually skipped by golf's big guns.

But the Nike Tour regular sank a 20-foot putt on his final hole, giving him a 7-under-par 63 and a 1-stroke lead over four players Thursday after the first round of the Quad City Classic.

Byrum has had to overcome injuries and time away from playing to find his swing again. He left no doubt that elbow surgery in 1996, torn rib muscles in 1997 and making only half his Nike Tour cuts this year has been a tough ride.

"You get to wondering, obviously, these last couple years, with the injuries and all," he said, his voice drifting off with a shrug. "It's a surprise."

A surprise perhaps. But in a round where short games made the difference, he rode a hot putter to the top. There was no wind on the Oakwood Country Club course, allowing players to rip accurate drives up the fairways. Last year, only one player shot 65 in the first round, but on Thursday 20 shot that well or better.

Hal Sutton, one of the four who shot 64, said he remembered chipping much more the previous times he played the Quad City tournament. And he also said that while there was accurate driving, sloping and bowl-shaped greens made the short game trickier.

"Even though the greens are fair in size, if you hit it on the wrong side of the slope, it kind of makes you sorry you did," said Sutton, winner of the 1983 PGA Championship and seven other PGA Tour events. "You've got to pick the shots when you (decide to) shoot at the flag."

Besides Sutton, 1996 U.S. Open champ Steve Jones, Dave Stockton Jr. and three-time Quad City champion D.A. Weibring each shot 6-under-par 64s. John Daly shot a 3-under-par 67, and Casey Martin, riding a golf cart after his successful suit against the PGA for the right to do so, shot a 66.

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Second baseman Bip Roberts broke toward the middle as soon as the ball was hit, hoping he could turn Ivan Rodriguez's grounder into a double play and kill Texas' ninth-inning threat.

But the ball deflected off reliever Billy Taylor's heel and skipped into right field through the spot Roberts just vacated.

The single by Rodriguez broke a tie and sent the Rangers to a 4-1 victory over the Oakland Athletics on Thursday.

"You never can say you could definitely turn the double play. But there was a chance, maybe a slight chance, we could have turned it," Roberts said. "At the last second, as we were breaking, Taylor hit it. It made the play look a little wacky."

Pinch-hitter Tom Goodwin led off the ninth with a single off Taylor (3-6). Goodwin stole second and continued to third on a throwing error by catcher Mike Macfarlane, who entered the game at the start of the inning. Will Clark then walked.

Juan Gonzalez, who leads the majors with 101 RBIs, struck out. But the single by Rodriguez broke the tie, Rusty Greer followed with another RBI single to make it 3-1, and pinch-hitter Bill Haselman hit a sacrifice fly off Buddy Groom.

"It's good to win a low-scoring ballgame. We haven't done that a lot," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "That could be a confidence builder for us, that we were able to beat a very good pitcher."

The first eight innings were a pitching duel between John Burkett and Kenny Rogers.

Burkett (5-9) pitched eight strong innings for his first win since June 6. Burkett, who lost his previous four decisions, allowed one run on four hits and struck out five. John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 23rd save.

The only run Burkett allowed came on Rickey Henderson's RBI bloop single in the sixth.

Rogers allowed one run on three hits and struck out five. The only run against him came on Mike Simms' homer leading off the third, his eighth of the season.

"I'm not disappointed at all, pitching that well against that caliber of a ballclub," Rogers said. "I don't mind solo shots at all, unless you've got to win 1-0."

Burkett came into the game with a 5.95 ERA, second highest among AL starters with more than 90 innings pitched this season. He has pitched well recently, though, and the Rangers hope Burkett and Darren Oliver are strong in the second half of the season.

In the first half, Aaron Sele (12 wins) and Rick Helling (11 wins) were the Rangers' most effective starters.

"Hopefully, they'll stay on their game and some of us guys will chip in a little bit," Burkett said. "It's nice to go out there and win the first one after the break."

Notes: The Rangers are 43-16 this season when they score four runs or more. They're 6-23 when they score fewer than four runs. ... Henderson's single in the first

broke his 0-for-27 drought leading off games. ... Greer returned to the Rangers' lineup after missing the last five games before the All-Star break because of a tight left rib muscle. ... Center fielder Ryan Christenson missed the game for the A's because of a pulled left hamstring, an injury that occurred Sunday. He was listed as day-to-day. ... Gonzalez, who went 0-for-4 with two strikeouts and two groundouts, has no homers and just one RBI in 19 at-bats against the A's this season. ... In the 1990s, the Rangers and A's are 53-53 against each other. ... The A's had a four-game winning streak snapped. ... Taylor has allowed at least one run in four of his last five appearances.

Pampa 11-12's stay alive in Area action

DUMAS — Pampa's 11-12 softball all-stars took the field Thursday night, facing the chances of being eliminated from the Area 1 Tournament.

They responded by taking a 10-0 win over the Canadian all-stars. Canadian continually tried to break through, but just couldn't get the hit needed to get on the scoreboard due to a good outing by Pampa pitcher Jennie Waggoner and solid defense behind her.

With Canadian batting first, Waggoner struck out the leadoff hitter looking at strike three to get the game started, then issued a walk, but as the base runner stole second and was attempting to steal third also, Pampa's third baseman, Jennie Rogers, tagged the runner out on a rundown play to empty the bases. Waggoner then was hit for a single, but struck out the next hitter to retire the side.

With Pampa coming out ready to hit, Canadian got one quick out off a groundball back to the mound. Catcher Wendi Miller was hit by a pitch, stunted to first, then promptly stole second to get into scoring position. Bases on balls to Waggoner and Chelsey Davis loaded the bases for the all-stars and Haley Bowen worked her way on base by walking to score Miller to get on the board. Waggoner and Davis would score later on a fielder's choice groundout and an error by Canadian to end the scoring in the first with Pampa leading 3-0.

Pampa's Waggoner faced the minimum in Canadian's top half of the second by hurling three strikeouts to quickly bring Pampa's hitters back to bat. Jennie Rogers led off with a bunt single and scored after Abbi Covalt advanced her to second by groundout, and Miller's RBI groundout to bring in the only run that would score for Pampa in the inning.

The top of the third saw Canadian trailing 4-0 after the first two batters struck out against Waggoner. Canadian tried to rally with a walk, a sin-

gle, and stolen bases, but were stopped by good infield defense to end the threat.

In the third for Pampa, Davis led off with a single, scored on an RBI single by Jaclyn Spearman, who was put out on a fielder's choice off the bat of Stacey Johnson. After Teryn Garner was hit by a pitch, Rogers then delivered an RBI single to score Johnson. Another single by Covalt added another base runner, but Canadian was able to get out of the inning with a groundout to end the inning with Pampa up 6-0.

Canadian was unable to score again in their half of the fourth, being shut out by Waggoner and strong defense behind her. Waggoner led off the fourth for Pampa by taking four straight pitches to walk. Davis then drove in a run with a triple and stole home to add another run. Bowen worked a full count into a walk still with no outs. After Spearman struck out, Johnson also walked on four pitches to have runners on first and second with only one out. Garner then hit a ground ball for an out to advance the runners into scoring position.

With two outs, Rogers singled to right field to score both runners. As a result of the four runs scored, Pampa led 10-0 to end the game with the 10-run rule in effect after four innings.

Jennie Waggoner (1-0) pitched the complete game, allowing only two hits, striking out eight, and issuing four walks. Outstanding defensive efforts were made by Miller, Bowen, Johnson and Rogers.

Leading hitters for Pampa were Rogers with three singles and three RBIs; Davis, triple, single and RBI; Spearman, single and RBI, and Covalt, a single.

With the win, Pampa moves on to play the Stinnett all-stars tonight at 6. Canadian ended its season with the loss. Pampa defeated Stinnett earlier this week, 12-0, in a first-round game.

Minor Bambino Stars



(Pampa News photo)

Named to the Pampa Optimist 9-10 Minor Bambino All-Star baseball team this season were (front, l-r) Reese Dills, Tyler Klein, Tyson Hickman, Jarred Moler, Trevor Thomas and Robbie Dixon; (second row, l-r) Grant Stucki, Brett Ferrell, Eric Kingcade, Jake Craig, Brody Smith, Weston Teichmann and Braydon Barker; (back, l-r) coaches David Ferrell, Robert Dixon and Larry Craig. The Pampa All-Stars are entered in the West Texas State Tournament in Andrews.

Local 9-10's meet Spearman for softball tournament championship

CANADIAN — Pampa's 9-10 girls' all-stars went to the ballpark with hitting on their minds and that's exactly what they did. They pounded out 16 hits to beat Borgers, 17-7, Thursday night in four innings at the Area Girls Softball Tournament.

Ashlee Lucas pitched an outstanding game, giving up only four hits and 12 walks while striking out five for the win.

Pampa scored five runs in the first inning, three in the second, five in the third and four in the

fourth. The game was then stopped because of the 10-run rule. Pampa had defeated Borgers, 23-15, in an earlier tournament game.

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If Pampa wins, they play Spearman against Saturday night at 7 to determine the championship.

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of three series.

BRYAN, Texas (AP) — Miranda Mayse, who was 15-3 and led Kennedale to the state championship, has been named Class 3A softball player of the year by the Texas Sports Writers Association.

Mayse had a 1.09 ERA with 118 strikeouts. She batted .350.

Kennedale third baseman Carla Geeslin was also on the first team, while Kennedale's Karen Essig was coach of the year.

Brewers top Cubs in slugfest

By The Associated Press

Call it Wrigley Field North. With the Chicago Cubs in Milwaukee for the first time since 1965, County Stadium rocked with a slugfest reminiscent of the Friendly Confines 90 miles to the south.

Marquis Grissom drove in five runs with a homer and a double as the Brewers beat the Cubs 12-9 on Thursday night.

"The whole game I had goose bumps," said Brewers second baseman Fernando Vina, just back from the All-Star game at hitter-friendly Coors Field. "It was awesome hearing the fans. They were going crazy. It pumped me up. It felt like the other night at the All-Star game, just the buzz."

The crowd of 38,055 saw 12 extra-base hits, including three homers. Both starting pitchers gave up seven runs and were gone by the third inning.

"They said we brought National League ball to the American League back in '92," Brewers manager Paul Molitor said. "We have now brought American League ball to the National League. Hey,

we are trend-setters."

Cubs slugger Sammy Sosa, who missed the All-Star game because of a sore left shoulder, hit his 34th homer in the second inning. The two-run, 432-foot shot to center field gave Chicago a 5-4 lead.

"I'm OK, couple of days off," Sosa said. "That was the key to coming back on track and feeling much better."

In other NL games, it was Houston 5, St. Louis 4; Montreal 9, New York 8 in 11 innings; Atlanta 6, Florida 4; and Los Angeles 12, San Diego 3.

Henry Rodriguez added his 20th homer for the Cubs.

Al Reyes (4-0) pitched a scoreless sixth for the victory, and Bob Wickman got the last three outs for his 12th save.

Bob Patterson (1-1) took the loss.

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At St. Louis, Shane Reynolds won his fourth straight start as Houston increased its NL Central lead over Chicago to six games.

Reynolds (11-5) allowed three runs on seven hits in seven innings, and Billy Wagner pitched the ninth for his 21st save.

Houston has won 19 of 29 to improve to 54-34, its best mark ever at this point of the season.

St. Louis slugger Mark McGwire, the major league leader with 37 homers, was 1-for-3. He lined out in the first, drew his major league-leading 89th walk in the third, singled in the sixth, and struck out in the eighth.

Carl Everett homered for the Astros, and Jay Lankford connected for the Cardinals.

Todd Stottlemyre (9-7) took the loss. He hit eighth in the order, the first pitcher to bat anywhere but ninth in the starting lineup since Philadelphia's Steve Carlton in 1979. He singled in the third and lined out in the fourth.

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Rondell White singled home the go-ahead run in the 11th as Montreal snapped a seven-game road losing streak.

Orlando Cabrera led off the 11th with a single off John Franco (0-3) and advanced to third on two groundouts. Cabrera scored when Franco hit a home run in the past Gold Glove shortstop Rey Ordenez.

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Frustrated Dad Feels Old Hurts As Daughter Neglects Her Sons

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter is in her late 30s. She's been married and divorced and has two sons. She is now living with a leech, a man who does not contribute to the household rent or food, and treats the boys like dirt. She provides for all his needs from her spousal support, while her kids walk around with holes in their shoes and unkempt clothing.

When I was a child, my mother abandoned me. She gave me away to my aunt to raise. My aunt worked at menial jobs to keep me clothed and fed. My mother did not contribute to my upkeep. She left the town where we lived. My aunt saw to it that I graduated from high school. She could not send me to college, but she planted the education seed, and when I became self-sufficient, I went to college, worked and graduated. My aunt, God bless her soul, was the best mother until her death a few years ago.

Now I have been abandoned a second time, this time by my daughter. My wife and I discussed with her the living arrangement she now has, told her she should get rid of this leech and provide a more stable home for her boys. We're not telling her not to have any friends or lovers, only not to let them live off her and mistreat her sons.

Based on your advice to others, as I recall, if I ask you what to do, you will tell me to leave her alone and let her live her own life. However, she is not alone. Her boys need more guidance than to have a leech misguide them through life. What's



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DEAR TWICE ABANDONED: What you are reacting to so strongly isn't "abandonment" by your daughter. It's what you perceive to be neglect on her part to properly nurture her children. And you are not wrong if the picture you have painted is accurate.

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**** You have a strong sense of what you want to do. Don't let anyone stop you. Stay direct yet gentle with someone dear. Understand that he isn't having an easy time of things now. Share a favorite indulgence or hobby with others. Tonight: Treat someone to dinner.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Relax during the morning. You still need extra repose. Make plans for later, when you regain your energy. A loved one needs to have a serious discussion with you. Temper flare, but making up is wonderful. Tonight: A favorite spot.

BORN TODAY

Comedian Bill Cosby (1938), singer Christine McVie (1943), fitness guru Richard Simmons (1948)

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by THOMAS JOSEPH

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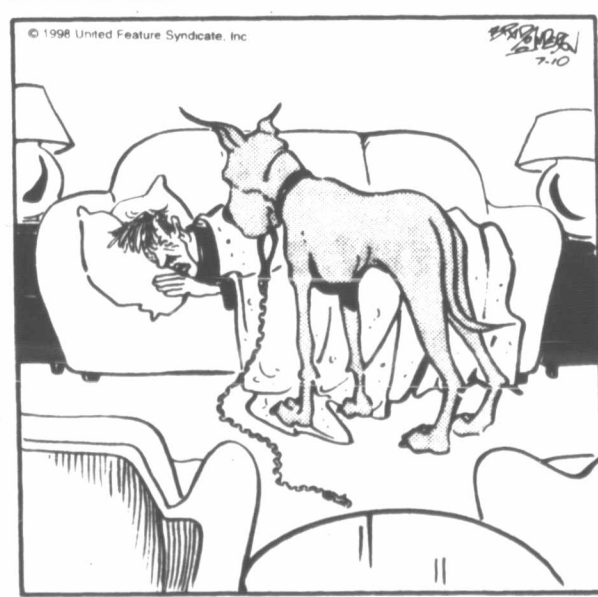
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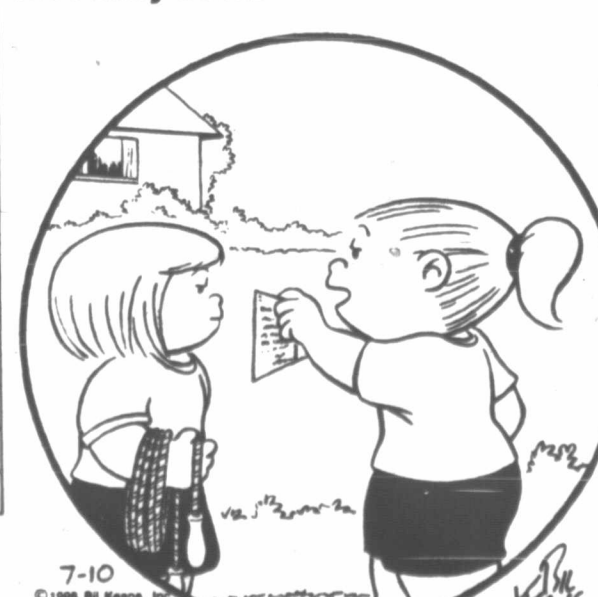
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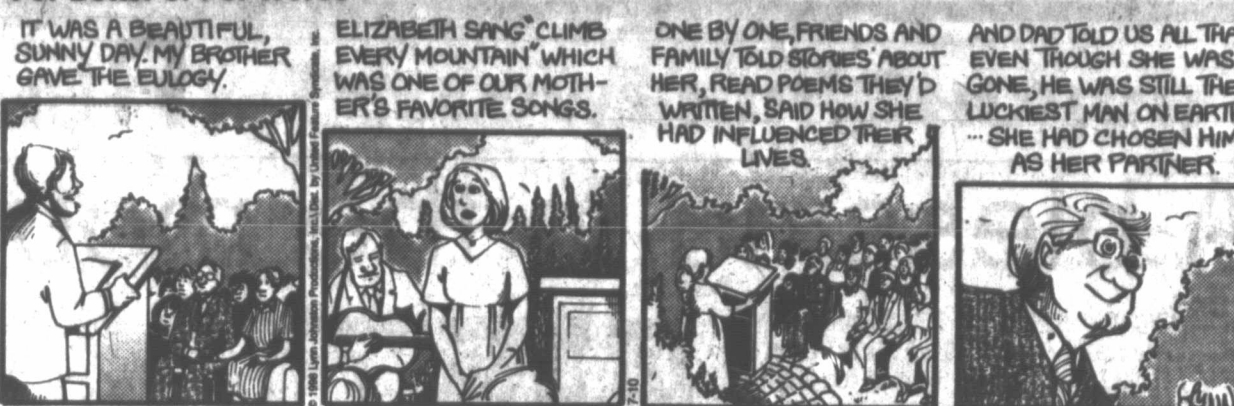
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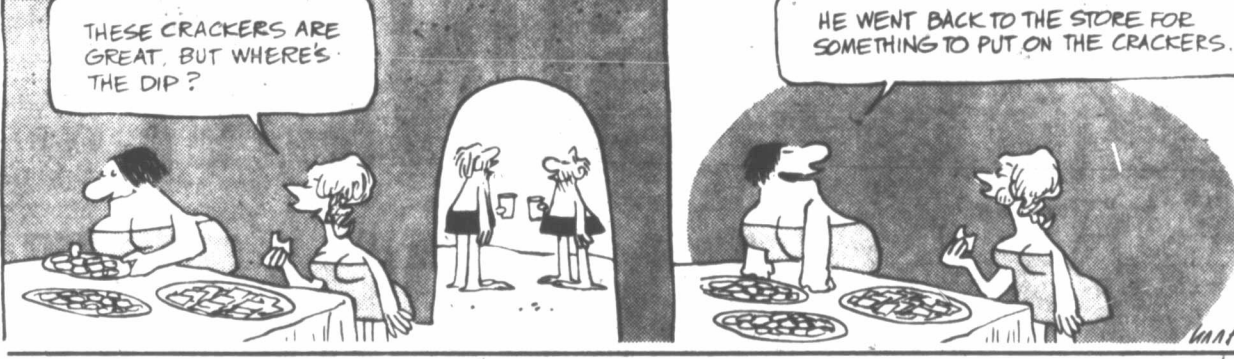
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SPORTS

Notebook

BASEBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Chris George, who led Klein High School to the Class 5A state baseball championship this year, has signed a professional contract with the Kansas City Royals.

Chris George won all 15 starts for Klein in his senior year, going the distance in each start and achieving a 1.15 earned-run average. He had signed previously to play college baseball at Rice University.

But Kansas City made him the 31st overall pick in last month's major league baseball amateur draft.

His father, Rick George, told KRIV-TV of Houston that Chris will take a physical Monday and then report to the Royals' rookie league team in Fort Myers, Fla.

FOOTBALL

DALLAS — Hobbled by ankle surgery, Dallas Cowboys cornerback Deion Sanders is doubtful for the beginning of training camp next week.

Cowboys coach Chan Gailey said he might hold Sanders from the first week or so of drills as a precaution. The move could hurt Gailey's plans to have the Pro Bowl defender double as a wide receiver.

"It's going to be touch-and-go," Gailey said Thursday. "He's not cutting a lot, so that'll hamper him early. He's mainly able to run straight ahead."

Sanders' attempt to play offense had failed two years ago.

GOLF

COAL VALLEY, III. (AP) — Curt Byrum wasn't sure he'd ever see his name on top of a leader board again, even in the first round of a tournament usually skipped by golf's big guns.

But the Nike Tour regular sank a 20-foot putt on his final hole, giving him a 7-under-par 63 and a 1-stroke lead over four players Thursday after the first round of the Quad City Classic.

Byrum has had to overcome injuries and time away from playing to find his swing again. He left no doubt that elbow surgery in 1996, torn rib muscles in 1997 and making only half his Nike Tour cuts this year has been a tough ride.

"You get to wondering, obviously, these last couple years, with the injuries and all," he said, his voice drifting off with a shrug. "It's a surprise."

A surprise perhaps. But in a round where short games made the difference, he rode a hot putter to the top. There was no wind on the Oakwood Country Club course, allowing players to rip accurate drives up the fairways. Last year, only one player shot 65 in the first round, but on Thursday 20 shot that well or better.

Hal Sutton, one of the four who shot 64, said he remembered chipping much more the previous times he played the Quad City tournament. And he also said that while there was accurate driving, sloping and bowl-shaped greens made the short game trickier.

"Even though the greens are fair in size, if you hit it on the wrong side of the slope, it kind of makes you sorry you did," said Sutton, winner of the 1983 PGA Championship and seven other PGA Tour events. "You've got to pick the shots when you (decide to) shoot at the flag."

Besides Sutton, 1996 U.S. Open champ Steve Jones, Dave Stockton Jr. and three-time Quad City champion D.A. Weibring each shot 6-under-par 64s. John Daly shot a 3-under-par 67, and Casey Martin, riding a golf cart after his successful suit against the PGA for the right to do so, shot a 66.

Rangers open second half with victory

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Second baseman Bip Roberts broke toward the middle as soon as the ball was hit, hoping he could turn Ivan Rodriguez's grounder into a double play and kill Texas' ninth-inning threat.

But the ball deflected off reliever Billy Taylor's heel and skipped into right field through the spot Roberts just vacated.

The single by Rodriguez broke a tie and sent the Rangers to a 4-1 victory over the Oakland Athletics on Thursday.

"You never can say you could definitely turn the double play. But there was a chance, maybe a slight chance, we could have turned it," Roberts said. "At the last second, as we were breaking, Taylor hit it. It made the play look a little wacky."

Pinch-fitter Tom Goodwin led off the ninth with a single off pitching duel between John Burkett and Kenny Rogers. Goodwin stole second and continued to third on a throwing error by catcher Mike Macfarlane, who entered the game at the start of the inning. Will Clark then walked.

Juan Gonzalez, who leads the majors with 101 RBIs, struck out. But the single by Rodriguez broke the tie, Rusty Greer followed with another RBI single to make it 3-1, and pinch-hitter Bill Haselman hit a sacrifice fly off Buddy Groom.

"It's good to win a low-scoring ballgame. We haven't done that a lot," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "That could be a confidence builder for us, that we were able to beat a very good pitcher."

The first eight innings were a pitching duel between John Burkett and Kenny Rogers.

Burkett (5-9) pitched eight strong innings for his first win since June 6. Burkett, who lost his previous four decisions, allowed one run on four hits and struck out five. John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 23rd save.

The only run Burkett allowed came on Rickey Henderson's RBI loop single in the sixth.

Rogers allowed one run on three hits and struck out five. The only run against him came on Mike Simms' homer leading off the third, his eighth of the season.

"I'm not disappointed at all, pitching that well against that caliber of a ballclub," Rogers said. "I don't mind solo shots at all, unless you've got to win 1-0."

Burkett came into the game with a 5.95 ERA, second highest among AL starters with more than 90 innings pitched this season. He has pitched well recently, though, and the Rangers hope Burkett and Darren Oliver are strong in the second half of the season.

In the first half, Aaron Sele (12 wins) and Rick Helling (11 wins) were the Rangers' most effective starters.

"Hopefully, they'll stay on their game and some of us guys will chip in a little bit," Burkett said. "It's nice to go out there and win the first one after the break."

Notes: The Rangers are 43-16 this season when they score four runs or more. They're 6-23 when they score fewer than four runs. ... Henderson's single in the first

broke his 0-for-27 drought leading off games. ... Greer returned to the Rangers' lineup after missing the last five games before the All-Star break because of a tight left rib muscle. ... Center fielder Ryan Christenson missed the game for the A's because of a pulled left hamstring, an injury that occurred Sunday. He was listed as day-to-day. ... Gonzalez, who went 0-for-4 with two strikeouts and two groundouts, has no homers and just one RBI in 19 at-bats against the A's this season. ... In the 1990s, the Rangers and A's are 53-53 against each other. ... The A's had a four-game winning streak snapped. ... Taylor has allowed at least one run in four of his last five appearances.

Pampa 11-12's stay alive in Area action

DUMAS — Pampa's 11-12 softball all-stars took the field Thursday night, facing the chances of being eliminated from the Area 1 Tournament.

They responded by taking a 10-0 win over the Canadian all-stars. Canadian continually tried to break through, but just couldn't get the hit needed to get on the scoreboard due to a good outing by Pampa pitcher Jennie Waggoner and solid defense behind her.

With Canadian batting first, Waggoner struck out the leadoff hitter looking at strike three to get the game started, then issued a walk, but as the base runner stole second and was attempting to steal third also, Pampa's third baseman, Jennie Rogers, tagged the runner out on a rundown play to empty the bases. Waggoner then was hit for a single, but struck out the next hitter to retire the side.

With Pampa coming out ready to hit, Canadian got one quick out off a groundball back to the mound. Catcher Wendi Miller was hit by a pitch, hustled to first, then promptly stole second to get into scoring position. Bases on balls to Waggoner and Chelsey Davis loaded the bases for the all-stars and Haley Bowen worked her way on base by walking to score Miller to get on the board. Waggoner and Davis would score later on a fielder's choice groundout and an error by Canadian to end the scoring in the first with Pampa leading 3-0.

Pampa's Waggoner faced the minimum in Canadian's top half of the second by hurling three strikeouts to quickly bring Pampa's hitters back to bat. Jennie Rogers led off with a bunt single and scored after Abbi Covalt advanced her to second by groundout, and Miller's RBI groundout to bring in the only run that would score for Pampa in the inning.

The top of the third saw Canadian trailing 4-0 after the first two batters struck out against Waggoner. Canadian tried to rally with a walk, a sin-

gle, and stolen bases, but were stopped by good infield defense to end the threat.

In the third for Pampa, Davis led off with a single, scored on an RBI single by Jaclyn Spearman, who was put out on a fielder's choice off the bat of Stacey Johnson. After Teryn Garner was hit by a pitch, Rogers then delivered an RBI single to score Johnson. Another single by Covalt added another base runner, but Canadian was able to get out of the inning with a groundout to end the inning with Pampa up 6-0.

Canadian was unable to score again in their half of the fourth, being shut out by Waggoner and strong defense behind her. Waggoner led off the fourth for Pampa by taking four straight pitches to walk. Davis then drove in a run with a triple and stole home to add another run. Bowen worked a full count into a walk still with no outs. After Spearman struck out, Johnson also walked on four pitches to have runners on first and second with only one out. Garner then hit a ground ball for an out to advance the runners into scoring position.

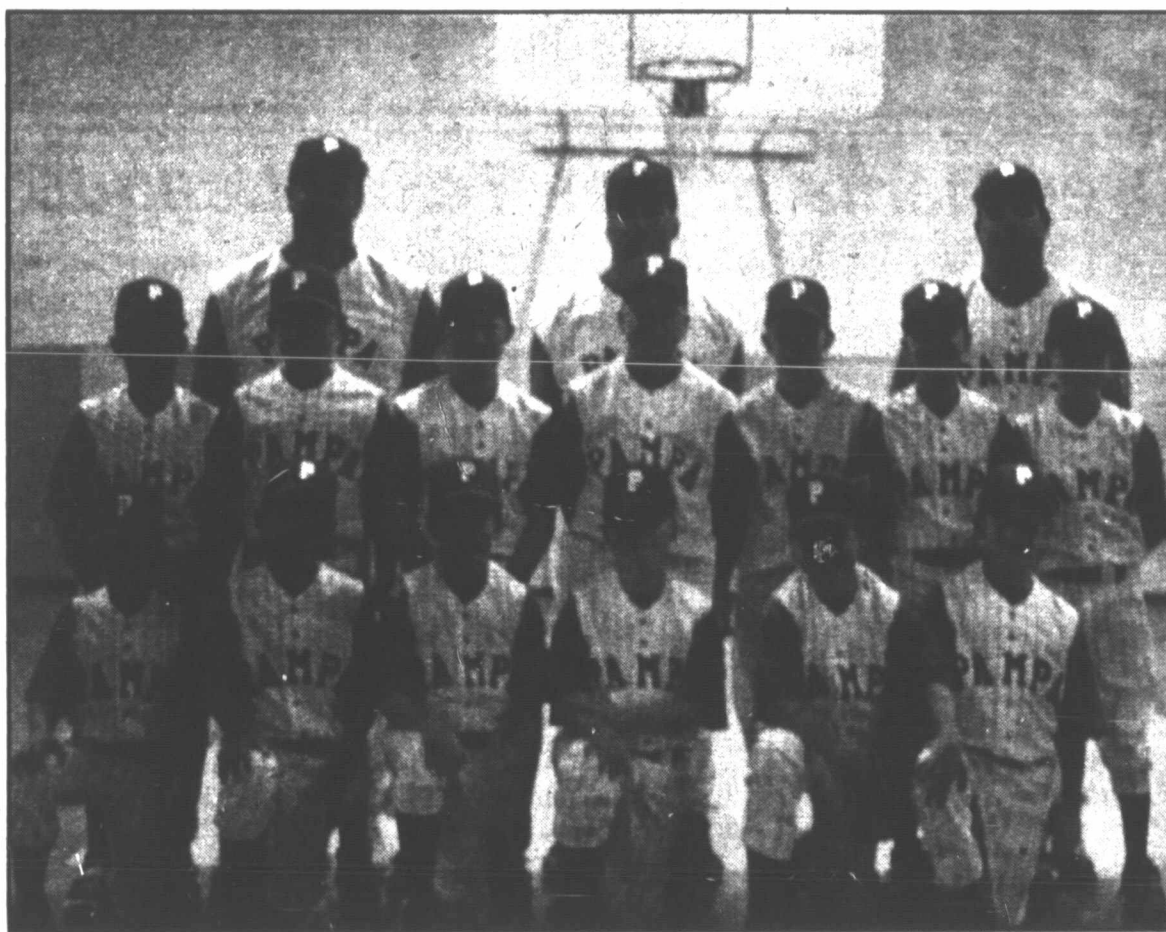
With two outs, Rogers singled to right field to score both runners. As a result of the four runs scored, Pampa led 10-0 to end the game with the 10-run rule in effect after four innings.

Jennie Waggoner (1-0) pitched the complete game, allowing only two hits, striking out eight, and issuing four walks. Outstanding defensive efforts were made by Miller, Bowen, Johnson and Rogers.

Leading hitters for Pampa were Rogers with three singles and three RBIs; Davis, triple, single and RBI; Spearman, single and RBI, and Covalt, a single.

With the win, Pampa moves on to play the Stinnett all-stars tonight at 6. Canadian ended its season with the loss. Pampa defeated Stinnett earlier this week, 12-0, in a first-round game.

Minor Bambino Stars



(Pampa News photo)

Named to the Pampa Optimist 9-10 Minor Bambino All-Star baseball team this season were (front, l-r) Reese Dills, Tyler Klein, Tyson Hickman, Jarred Moler, Trevor Thomas and Robbie Dixon; (second row, l-r) Grant Stucki, Brett Ferrell, Eric Kingcade, Jake Gray, Brody Smith, Weston Teichmann and Braydon Barker; (back, l-r) coaches David Ferrell, Robert Dixon and Larry Craig. The Pampa All-Stars are entered in the West Texas State Tournament in Andrews.

Local 9-10's meet Spearman for softball tournament championship

CANADIAN — Pampa's 9-10 girls' all-stars went to the ballpark with hitting on their minds and that's exactly what they did. They pounded out 16 hits to beat Borgers, 17-7, Thursday night in four innings at the Area Girls Softball Tournament.

Ashlee Lucas pitched an outstanding game, giving up only four hits and 12 walks while striking out five for the win.

Pampa scored five runs in the first inning, three in the second, five in the third and four in the

fourth. The game was then stopped because of the 10-run rule. Pampa had defeated Borger, 23-15, in an earlier tournament game.

Pampa meets Spearman at 7 tonight.

If Pampa wins, they play Spearman against Saturday night at 7 to determine the championship.

The tournament champion meets Quanah at 7 Monday night at Canadian in a best two

of three series.

BRYAN, Texas (AP) — Miranda Mayse, who was 15-3 and led Kennedale to the state championship, has been named Class 3A softball player of the year by the Texas Sports Writers Association.

Mayse had a 1.09 ERA with 118 strikeouts. She batted .350.

Kennedale third baseman Carla Geeslin was also on the first team, while Kennedale's Karen Essig was coach of the year.

Brewers top Cubs in slugfest

By The Associated Press

Call it Wrigley Field North. With the Chicago Cubs in Milwaukee for the first time since 1965, County Stadium rocked with a slugfest reminiscent of the Friendly Confines 90 miles to the south.

Marquis Grissom drove in five runs with a homer and a double as the Brewers beat the Cubs 12-9 on Thursday night.

"The whole game I had goose bumps," said Brewers second baseman Fernando Vina, just back from the All-Star game at hitter-friendly Coors Field. "It was awesome hearing the fans. They were going crazy. It pumped me up. It felt like the other night at the All-Star game, just the buzz."

The crowd of 38,055 saw 12 extra-base hits, including three homers. Both starting pitchers gave up seven runs and were gone by the third inning.

"They said we brought National League ball to the American League back in '92," Brewers manager Paul Molitor said. "We have now brought American League ball to the National League. Hey,

we are trend-setters."

Cubs slugger Sammy Sosa, who missed the All-Star game because of a sore left shoulder, hit his 34th homer in the second inning. The two-run, 432-foot shot to center field gave Chicago a 5-4 lead.

"I'm OK, couple of days off," Sosa said. "That was the key to coming back on track and feeling much better."

In other NL games, it was Houston 5, St. Louis 4; Montreal 9, New York 8 in 11 innings; Atlanta 6, Florida 4; and Los Angeles 12, San Diego 3.

Henry Rodriguez added his 20th homer for the Cubs.

Al Reyes (4-0) pitched a scoreless sixth for the victory, and Bob Wickman got the last three outs for his 12th save.

Bob Patterson (1-1) took the loss.

Astros 5, Cardinals 4

At St. Louis, Shane Reynolds won his fourth straight start as Houston increased its NL Central lead over Chicago to six games.

Reynolds (11-5) allowed three runs on seven hits and seven innings, and Billy Wagner pitched the ninth for his 21st save.

Houston has won 19 of 29 to improve to 54-34, its best mark ever at this point of the season.

St. Louis slugger Mark McGwire, the major league leader with 37 homers, was 1-for-3. He lined out in the first, drew his major league-leading 89th walk in the third, singled in the sixth, and struck out in the eighth.

Carl Everett homered for the Astros, and Ray Lankford connected for the Cardinals.

Todd Stottlemyre (9-7) took the loss. He hit eighth in the order, the first pitcher to bat anywhere but ninth in the starting lineup since Philadelphia's Steve Carlton in 1979. He singled in the third and lined out in the fourth.

Expos 9, Mets 8

Rondell White singled home the go-ahead run in the 11th as Montreal snapped a seven-game road losing streak.

Orlando Cabrera led off the 11th with a single off John Franco (0-3) and advanced to third on two groundouts. Cabrera crossed

past Gold Glove shortstop Rey Ordenez.

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Scoreboard

BASEBALL				
National League				
At A Glance				
East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	60	29	.674	—
New York	44	40	.524	13 1/2
Philadelphia	43	42	.506	15
Montreal	35	52	.402	24
Florida	32	56	.364	27 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Houston	54	34	.614	—
Chicago	48	40	.545	6
Milwaukee	44	42	.512	9
St. Louis	40	47	.460	13 1/2
Pittsburgh	40	48	.455	14
Cincinnati	39	50	.438	15 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
San Diego	57	32	.640	—
San Francisco	52	37	.584	5
Los Angeles	44	44	.500	12 1/2
Colorado	37	52	.416	20
Anzaona	30	58	.341	26 1/2
Wednesday's Games				
No games scheduled				
Thursday's Games				
Los Angeles 12, San Diego 3				
Atlanta 6, Florida 4				
Milwaukee 12, Chicago Cubs 9				
Houston 5, N.Y. Mets 8, 11 innings				
Only games scheduled				
Friday's Games				
Atlanta (Neagle 9-6) at Florida (Sanchez 3-6), 7:05 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Schilling 8-8) at Pittsburgh (Cordova 6-7), 7:05 p.m.				
Montreal (Perez 6-9) at N.Y. Mets (Yoshi 4-4), 7:40 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Wood 8-3) at Milwaukee (Karl 6-4), 8:05 p.m.				
Houston (Hampton 8-4) at St. Louis (Morris 0-0), 8:10 p.m.				
San Francisco (Estes 7-7) at Colorado (Kile 5-11), 9:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Tomko 8-6) at Arizona (Benes 6-9), 10:05 p.m.				
San Diego (Brown 10-3) at Los Angeles (Dreifus 5-7), 10:05 p.m.				
Saturday's Games				
Chicago Cubs (Trachsel 7-5) at Milwaukee (Eldred 4-6), 1:15 p.m.				
Houston (Lima 7-5) at St. Louis (Mercker 5-6), 1:15 p.m.				
Atlanta (Maddux 12-2) at Florida (Dempster 1-3), 7:05 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Loewer 3-1) at Pittsburgh (Schmidt 8-5), 7:05 p.m.				
Montreal (Pavano 2-2) at N.Y. Mets (Read 9-5), 7:10 p.m.				
San Francisco (Hershiser 7-6) at Arizona (Wright 6-8), 8:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Remlinger 5-9) at Colorado (Blair 3-12), 10:05 p.m.				
San Diego (Ashby 11-5) at Los Angeles (Valdes 6-8), 10:05 p.m.				
Sunday's Games				
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.				
Montreal at N.Y. Mets, 1:40 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 2:05 p.m.				
Houston at St. Louis, 2:10 p.m.				
Atlanta at Florida, 4:35 p.m.				
Cincinnati at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.				
San Francisco at Colorado, 8:05 p.m.				
San Diego at Los Angeles, 8:05 p.m.				
American League				
At A Glance				
East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	62	20	.756	—
Boston	52	34	.606	12
Toronto	46	43	.517	19 1/2
Baltimore	39	50	.438	26 1/2
Tampa Bay	34	53	.391	30 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Cleveland	50	36	.581	—
Minnesota	41	46	.471	9 1/2
Kansas City	39	48	.448	11 1/2
Detroit	35	50	.412	14 1/2
Chicago	35	52	.402	15 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
American League	49	38	.563	—
Texas	49	39	.557	1/2
Oakland	41	46	.471	8
Seattle	38	51	.427	12
No games scheduled				
Thursday's Games				
Texas 4, Oakland 1				
Detroit 4, Toronto 3				
Minnesota 3, Cleveland 0				
N.Y. Yankees 2, Tampa Bay 0				
Baltimore 3, Boston 2				
Kansas City 6, Chicago White Sox 4				
Friday's Games				
Seattle 6, Anaheim 6				
Friday's Games				
Toronto (Hentgen 9-5) at Detroit (Moehler 8-6), 7:05 p.m.				
Minnesota (Lirio 5-8) at Cleveland (Colon 9-4), 7:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees (Iraha 6-3) at Tampa Bay (Alvarez 4-5), 7:05 p.m.				
Boston (Martinez 11-2) at Baltimore (Erickson 6-7), 7:35 p.m.				
Kansas City (Flores 3-8) at Chicago White Sox (Navarro 6-10), 8:05 p.m.				
Anaheim (Fintley 8-4) at Seattle (Moyer 5-7), 10:05 p.m.				
Texas (Helling 11-4) at Oakland (Candotti 5-10), 10:35 p.m.				
Saturday's Games				
Minnesota (Radke 9-6) at Cleveland (Gooden 2-3), 1:05 p.m.				
Boston (Wakefield 10-3) at Baltimore (Ponson 2-6), 1:15 p.m.				
Texas (Sele 12-5) at Oakland (Stein 3-5), 4:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees (Cone 12-2) at Tampa Bay (Johnson 2-5), 6:35 p.m.				
Kansas City (Rapp 8-7) at Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 3-3), 7:05 p.m.				
Toronto (Carpenter 5-3) at Detroit (Greisinger 1-3), 7:05 p.m.				
Anaheim (Sparks 3-0) at Seattle (Johnson 7-8), 4:05 p.m.				
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TODAY'S MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS				
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NATIONAL LEAGUE				
BATTING—DeBell, Houston, .337; Bichette, Colorado, .327; Kendall, Pittsburgh, .336; Bjordan, St. Louis, .336; Everett, Houston, .335; Morandini, Chicago, .331; MaGrace, Chicago, .331; Walker, Colorado, .331.				
RUNS—Biggio, Houston, 75; Chlonos, Atlanta, 71; McGwire, St. Louis, 70; Sosa, Chicago, 69; Bagwell, Houston, 68; Glanville, Philadelphia, 67; Galarraga, Atlanta, 66.				
RBI—McGwire, St. Louis, 87; Sosa, Chicago, 83; Castilla, Colorado, 75; Alou, Houston, 75; Gvaughn, San Diego, 74; Galarraga, Atlanta, 72; Chlonos, Atlanta, 71; M Ramirez, Cleveland, 71; Belle, Chicago, 68.				
HITS—ARodriguez, Seattle, 119; Erstad, Anaheim, 117; IRodriguez, Texas, 109; Higginson, Detroit, 108; O'Neill, New York, 108; McCracken, Tampa Bay, 105; Glanville, Oakland, 104; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 104.				
DOUBLES—Erstad, Anaheim, 30; Thome, Cleveland, 29; IRodriguez, Texas, 28; E Martinz, Seattle, 28; O'Daigado, Toronto, 27; JnValentin, Boston, 27; Justice, Cleveland, 26; R Ramirez, Cleveland, 26; M Ramirez, Cleveland, 26; B Boone, Cincinnati, 27; DeBell, Houston, 26; Biggio, Houston, 26; Bichette, Colorado, 26.				
TRIPLES—AJones, Atlanta, 7; DeShazo, St. Louis, 7; Glanville, Philadelphia, 6; Bustin, Cincinnati, 6; Delucchi, Arizona, 5; Gvaerno, Montreal, 5; NPerez, Colorado, 5; Vina, Milwaukee, 5; J Hernandez, Chicago, 5; SFinley, San Diego, 5.				
HOME RUNS—McGwire, St. Louis, 37; Sosa, Chicago, 34; Gvaughn, San Diego, 30; Galarraga, Atlanta, 28; Castilla, Colorado, 25; Chlonos, Atlanta, 22; Lopez, Atlanta, 20; HRodriguez, Chicago, 20; Alou, Houston, 20.				
STOLEN BASES—E Young, Los Angeles, 33; Wornack, Pittsburgh, 31; Renteria, Florida, 28; Biggio, Houston, 28; DeShields, St. Louis, 18; Ovaris, San Diego, 17; Floyd, Florida, 17; Clayton, St. Louis, 17.				
PITCHING (11 Decisions)—GMedux, Atlanta, 12-2, 8.7, 1.54; Glanville, Atlanta, 12-3, 8.00, 2.63; Ruster, San Francisco, 10-3, 7.69, 4.20; Brown, San Diego, 10-3, 7.66, 2.67; Wood, Chicago, 8-3, 7.27, 3.37; Millwood, Atlanta, 10-4, 7.14, 4.37; A Leiter, New York, 9-4, 6.92, 1.86.				
STRIKEOUTS—Schilling, Philadelphia, 180; Wood, Chicago, 138; Stotttmyre, St. Louis, 135; N.Y. Yankees, San Diego, 122; GMedux, Atlanta, 115; Estes, San Francisco, 114; Reynolds, Houston, 106.				
SAVES—Hoffman, San Diego, 25; Nen, San Francisco, 25; Beck, Chicago, 23; Shaw, Los Angeles, 23; BWagner, Houston, 21; Urbina, Montreal, 21; JFranco, New York, 18.				

DrewMania strikes Texas League

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — J.D. Drew broke his bat with a blistering foul ball. Then with a new stick in hand and thousands of fans expecting a big swing, he softly laid down a bunt along the third-base line.

The catcher threw Drew out at first. And so went the \$7-million slugger's first home at bat for the Arkansas Travelers.

Drew, the St. Louis Cardinals' wealthiest signee, went 1-5 with a fourth-inning RBI single as the Travelers lost 8-6 Thursday to the San Antonio Missions.

The fans — a season-high 5,382 on seat-cushion and "super bingo" night — gave a good round of applause each time Drew stepped to the plate. Many came early just to get Drew's autograph.

Drew, despite Major League expectations, said he is concerned foremost about making it in the Texas League.

"I'm one of those guys who's got a long way to go," he said before the game. "Until you get to perfection, I don't guess you can stop trying to improve."

Professional bull riders plan to make tour stop in Amarillo

AMARILLO — The Professional Bull Riders (PBR) will make a Pro Tour Stop in Amarillo on July 1-Aug. 1 at the Will Rogers Ranger Riders Arena. Amarillo is one of only 69 cities nationwide that hosts a PBR Pro Tour event. Ken Henry, a Happy native, will be the host of the PBR event. Henry is a past three-time National Finals Rodeo qualifier in bull riding, was the 1979 Copenhagen-Skoal Superstars Bull Riding Champion.

heading into the top 15 final round. Gaffney rode Harvey Northcott's bull Raisin' Cain for 90 points to stay second in the five-round average to win the PBR 1997 crown.

The PBR has teamed up with the Children's Miracle Network to help children who are critically ill and in need of medical treatment. Top bull riders were present in Amarillo to be a part of the telethon that helped benefit the CMN and support the local CMN efforts.



Dennis The Menace

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Comets extend winning streak to seven

HOUSTON (AP) — After losing a pair of close games, the Detroit Shock were taught a lesson by the WNBA's top team.

Kim Perrot scored a career-high 22 points as the Houston Comets extended their franchise-record winning streak to seven games with a 96-66 victory over the Shock on Thursday night.

"We dropped three points to New York and two points to Phoenix, so we're right at the door," Detroit's Lynette Woodard said. "We've just got to get over the hump. We just have to keep fighting and hope that things balance out at the end."

Twenty top bull riders joined together in 1992 to form the PBR corporation to promote bull riding as a top crowd drawing sport. The PBR started with only 35 members and today has almost 500 competing on the PBR tour.

Cowboys from the United States, Canada, Brazil and Australia are all striving to be in the top 45 so that they compete at the PBR finals in Las Vegas, Nev. for more than \$4 million in prize money.

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1 Public Notice	5 Special Notices	14e Carpet Service	14n Painting	19 Situations	21 Help Wanted	21 Help Wanted	60 Household Goods
<p>NOTICE TO BIDDERS</p> <p>Gray County Precinct #4 will accept bids on a 1981 3.4 ton Chevrolet pickup. Bid forms may be picked up at the County Judge's Office, Gray County Courthouse, Pampa, Texas, or Precinct #4 Barn located in McLean, Texas. The pickup may be viewed at the Precinct #4 Barn. Mail or take bids to: Gray County Judge, 205 N. Russell, Pampa, TX. 79065. Mark envelope "Gray County Precinct #4 pickup bid". Bids must be received by 9:00 a.m. July 31, 1998. Bids may be accepted or rejected. Pickup must be paid within (10) ten days or second highest bid may be accepted.</p> <p>A-70 July 10, 17, 1998</p>	<p>PAMPA Masonic Lodge #966</p> <p>We meet every Thursday 7:30 p.m., 420 W. Kingsmill, business meeting 3rd Thursday.</p> <p>TOP O Texas Masonic Lodge 1381, E.A. Practice, Mon. July 13, 7 p.m. E.A. Degree Tues. July 14th, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>10 Lost and Found</p> <p>LOST min. Schnauzer, shaggy salt & pepper female. Vicin. 1900 Christine. 669-2504, 663-0372, 665-5453 ask for Jeff.</p> <p>FOUND Older Pug, around Columbia Hosp. area, w/collar. Call 665-1716.</p> <p>FOUND Pug Bulldog. For more details call 669-7131 or 665-4703 after 5 p.m.</p> <p>FOUNDATION Settling? Cracks in walls, ceilings, or brick? Doors won't close? Childers Brothers. Free estimates 1-800-299-9563.</p> <p>11 Financial</p> <p>NEED \$\$\$? Continental Credit, 1427 N. Hobart, 669-6095. Se Hablo Espanol. Phone applications welcome.</p>	<p>NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...! Pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341. Free estimates.</p> <p>RON'S Floor Service. Carpet, Tile, Vinyl, Wood. Installations & Repairs. 669-0817</p> <p>14h General Services</p> <p>COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. 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Mon.-Fri., 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Reasonable rates. 665-4058.</p> <p>21 Help Wanted</p> <p>BI-LINGUAL Attendants needed to help w/handicapped & elderly in clients home. 806-372-8480.</p> <p>AMARILLO Daily News. Motor Route Carrier needed. Call 669-7371.</p> <p>MACHINIST needed for power cylinder reline op. Other machinist pos. available for industrial engine block repair. op. 45 yr. service co. with benefits. Call Coastal Casting Service 713-223-4439, or mail response to P.O. Box 16105 Houston, TX. 77222.</p> <p>AMARILLO based credit union is looking for a Branch Mgr. for its Pampa, Tx. branch position which requires a self starter w/excellent people skills who will be responsible for all phases of the operation of the branch. Looking for an assertive individual with mgmt. and lending exp. to enhance the productivity & growth of the branch. College preferred but not required. Salary commensurate w/exp. & skills. Mail resume to Amarillo Community F.C.U., Human Resources Dept., P.O. Box 20226, Amarillo, TX. 79105-2026 or Fax to 806-358-6380.</p>	<p>NOTICE</p> <p>Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.</p> <p>NEW to Pampa - Teachers need childcare in our home, ages 3 & 1/2. Salary negotiable 512-786-3134, after July 18 665-4864.</p> <p>NEED Babysitter, Mon.-Fri. 8a.m.-5p.m. Two energetic toddlers. Year round. Call 669-6988.</p> <p>NEEDED part time Physical Therapy Assistant - Apply at Shepherd's Nursing, 916 N. Crest Rd., Suite 101.</p> <p>PART Time Personal Service Assistant needed at Meredith House. Call 665-5668.</p> <p>COOK needed at Meredith House, Fri., Sat. & Sun. Call 665-5668.</p> <p>OFFICE Assistant-The City of Pampa is accepting resumes for the position of Office Assistant in the Administrative Services Division to perform routine clerical work in answering multi-line phone, receiving the public, and providing customer assistance. Graduation from a high school or GED equivalent with specialized course work in general office practices, and 2 years of increasingly responsible related experience. Must have working knowledge of computers including Microsoft Word software. Starting salary of \$11,800 month plus comprehensive benefit package. Qualified applicants can apply by resume at the Texas Workforce Commission. Ad paid by employer. BOE.</p>	<p>EXPER. window installer or siding. Appl. must be clean cut, non-smoking, able to work out of town. Serious inquiries only. 665-5685.</p> <p>SUBWAY is hiring for Fall day & evening positions. Great opportunity for mom w/kids in school or College students. Apply in person 2141 Hobart.</p> <p>DOMINO'S Pizza hiring drivers must be 18 w/good driving record Apply in person. 1332 N. Hobart.</p> <p>NOW hiring job shop machinist. Pay based upon experience. 929 E. 214 N. in person, Wood's Services, 1215 S. Florida, Borger.</p> <p>NOW HIRING - Full time & temp. spots surface installation. No experience needed. Earn up to \$26,000 first year. Apply 94 Main, Panhandle. 537-3526.</p>	<p>JOHNSON HOME FURNISHINGS</p> <p>Rent one piece or house full Washer-Dryer-Ranges Bedroom-Dining Room Livingroom</p> <p>801 W. Francis 665-3361</p> <p>SALE: Washers, Dryers, Refrigerators. Guaranteed. 929 E. Frederick. 663-0265, 669-9797.</p> <p>GLASS Top Dining Table w/4 chairs. Oak Dining Table w/4 chairs, 2 months old. 669-0041</p> <p>QUEEN size sleeper & matching love seat in beige velour, two gold velvet occasional chairs, queen size mattress set & pine headboard, all in excellent condition. Call 669-3346.</p> <p>GOOD Kenmore washer & dryer \$175 for both. White Deer- 405 Warren, 883-4541.</p>
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2 Family Garage Sale-Sat. 8-5, 2319 Navajo. Art frames, books, computer games, pickup, weight bench, clothes, misc.

GARAGE Sale 1812 N. Nelson. Saturday only. Clothes, household items, many misc.

SALE: Sat. 9-6 p.m. Clothes, treasures. Turn from Hwy. 60 North on Loop 171 for 1/2 mile, then turn East for 1/4 mile.

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Indonesia grapples with pace and scope of political reform

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — At a recent hearing in Parliament, a ruling party legislator paused while grilling a panel of cigarette producers about their business practices.

"We wouldn't have done this before," he said in a wry reference to the days of former President Suharto, when few challenged the typically shady style of closing deals.

The lawmakers lining the benches laughed with gusto, embracing their new role as agents of reform. Entrusted with rooting out corruption, many in their ranks knew only too well what to look for: They'd been padding their own income for years through perks and a cushy web of contacts.

Politically fettered for decades, enthusiasm for a democratic overhaul now abounds in Indonesia, pushed along by protests, riots and economic collapse that helped dislodge the authoritarian Suharto in May.

President B.J. Habibie has gone a long way in his push for reform, freeing many political prisoners, allowing trade unions and political parties to form and encouraging press freedom.

But doubts are rife that players in the old, discredited political system, who still run the government, have the will to change. After all, a full housecleaning might leave them jobless — like Indonesia's tens of millions of poor victims of a virtually paralyzed economy.

That's the dilemma facing the ruling Golkar party, which opened a special congress Thursday in a hurried attempt to recast its role after decades as a loyal tool of Suharto. It robotically pushed through his ceremonial reelection to seven, five-year terms.

"It's not a shame to acknowledge the weaknesses and mistakes of the past. In the era of reform, we have to improve," party chairman Harmoko told hundreds of delegates at a five-star hotel.

However, internal jousting for control of the party is evident, with some Golkar leaders considered Suharto loyalists apparently resisting efforts to strip them of their privileges.

"If a new group comes to power, it will give no chance to the Suharto cronies," said Eki Syachrudin, a Golkar legislator.

Critics question whether an expected reshuffle of the party lead-

ership is enough in a nation where Golkar's political machinery remains largely intact at the village level.

"The reform movement has turned into merely replacing the actors, but it is based on the same scenario," said Hendrajit, a researcher at the Institute for Strategic Studies of Indonesia, a private think tank.

Habibie, himself a Suharto protege, has already sacked 41 members of a special 1,000-member assembly that elects the president, all people seen as loyal to the former president. However, three Suharto children remain delegates.

The armed forces, once the pillar of Suharto's authority, also has been accused of dithering on the question of accountability. Military chief Gen. Wiranto acknowledged that members of the security forces may have kidnapped dissidents earlier this year, but he has yet to produce any suspects.

Activists are also worried that a parliamentary bill that would regulate public protests is a throwback to the Suharto era, when rallies were often banned or broken up.

The military retains its powerful role in politics, and legislators have suggested reducing its number of appointed seats in the 500-seat parliament by one-third to 50. For political activists, it's a step in the right direction but hardly democratic.

Emil Salim, an economist and government critic, envisages months of haggling over electoral laws between opposition figures and government lawyers. He proposes laws that limit campaign donations and require political parties to have at least 500,000 members to register.

"Now we go down to substance," Salim said in an interview at his ornately decorated home. "It's not these romantic demonstrations anymore. It's much more difficult."

However, observers fear that if the economy slides further into ruin, social unrest may sideline political reform. In May, as many as 1,200 people died in riots over price increases in Jakarta.

"If unemployment increases and people are thinking about the price of food, then their attention is on the short term," Salim said. "It's how to fill my stomach today, and not political reform in the next three months or so."

Study disputes Homo erectus first use of fire

WASHINGTON (AP) — For more than 50 years, archaeologists have believed that a cave in China contained the evidence that humans learned to control and use fire about 500,000 years ago, the era when Homo erectus, also known as Peking Man, was the dominant hominid.

Now, researchers analyzing sediments from the cave in Zhoukoudian say the specimens lack the telltale traces of wood ash needed to prove the ancient human-like creatures used and controlled fire.

"If fire was used at this location in the site, it is difficult to account for the absence of ... wood ash," the researchers reported in a study published today in the journal Science.

"In a sense, we spoil the story," said Steve Weiner, a biologist from the Weizmann Institute in Israel and the lead author of the study.

The study, by scientists from Israel, China, Harvard and Boston University, said sediments previously identified as remnants of a campfire lacked some key chemical features of in-place burning. Charred bones found at the site, they said, could have burned in a natural fire and moved to the site by water, since the sediments show evidence that they were once submerged.

Some stone tool chips — called quartzite — found in the site also fail to prove that dwellers in the cave used fire, the study says.

"The co-occurrence of burned black bones and quartzite artifacts in the same layer is only suggestive of a cultural association, and hence of the use of fire by humans, but does not prove it," the study said.

Indeed, the researchers question if the site cave was used as a home by humans at all. The cave was actually a depression in a vertical fault that was open to the sky and would provide little real shelter, Science reports.

If the new analysis is accepted, then archaeologists have no strong evidence that humans used fire earlier than 300,000 years ago, Science reports. This means that Homo erectus, the hominid that is thought to have colonized Asia starting about 1.8 million years ago, may have moved into colder latitudes without the benefit of controlled fire.

"We now have to reconsider Homo erectus, their migrations and their capability," Huang Weiwei, a Chinese archaeologist, told Science.

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Prince William meets father's longtime flame for first time

LONDON (AP) — For the first time, Prince William has met his father's longtime flame — the woman Princess Diana blamed for the breakup of her marriage to Prince Charles.

In an unusual move Thursday, a spokeswoman at Charles' London residence, St. James's Palace, confirmed a tabloid's report of the June 12 meeting with Camilla Parker Bowles. The Sun held up the story for 24 hours so that Charles could talk to 16-year-old William, she said.

"Basically, we can confirm that, yes, it is true, they have met," the spokeswoman said on customary condition of anonymity.

The Sun, in a story that St. James's palace did not dispute, said the meeting happened by chance when William arrived at the palace unexpectedly to charge clothes before going out with friends.

Camilla, 50, was visiting, and Charles, realizing they might bump into each other, asked William if he wanted to meet her, The Sun said. William agreed and the three had an amicable half-hour of small talk.

William has seen Mrs. Parker Bowles twice since then, The Sun said, and Prince Harry, 13, soon will meet her, too, if he wants to.

The Sun quoted a "royal insider" as saying there was no discussion about Diana, who died Aug. 31, 1997, in a Paris car crash.

The newspaper said Mrs. Parker Bowles — a figure as well-known in Britain as the royals

themselves — was quite nervous about the meeting.

Mrs. Parker Bowles, who is divorced, and Charles have known each other for more than 20 years and she was believed to be his longtime mistress. Diana maintained that Charles never really gave up the relationship, but Charles indicated he was faithful to Diana until relations broke down following the birth of Harry.

Mrs. Parker Bowles has two grown children; Charles is godfather to the elder one, Tom.

"Our readers have a right to know that Charles, Camilla and William have finally got together," the newspaper said.

The Press Complaints Commission also appeared to agree the story did not violate the privacy of the young princes — which newspapers have pledged to respect since their mother died with photographers in pursuit.

"I recognize that certain stories have a public interest," commission chairman Lord Wakeham said. "The palace thought this one had; it was justified."

As part of the buildup to the first anniversary of Diana's death, her former butler, Paul Burrell, unveiled controversial plans Thursday for a 27-acre memorial garden around Kensington Palace, her London home. Area residents say it will turn the top-price district into a tourist trap.

"This is not going to be a Disneyworld for Diana," Burrell said. "It is to be a very simple, quiet place for contemplation."

Seventh annual St. Jude trail ride one of the most successful in recent years

Fifty-nine riders, raising a total of \$5,400, enjoyed perfect weather to ride in the seventh annual Texas Panhandle Saddle Up for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital trail ride.

Sharon Williams, coordinator, Pampa, Cliff Elliott, Amarillo, and Amy Anders, Borger, took riders out on the trails.

Al Williams, Pampa, and Cecil Nunn, Skellytown, signed up riders while Cliff Elliott, and Amy Anders, checked coggins certificates. Al, Chris, Christie, Jeremy, Mitchell, and Madonna Hubert, Pampa, Robert Anders, Borger, and Cecil Bertie and Nicki Nunn, Skellytown served BBQ brisket to the riders at lunch time. Kappa Alpha chapter Epsilon Sigma Alpha also helped prepare the food.

Stanley Davis, Borger, raised \$445 to win a silver bridle and reins. Nathaniel Sheppard, Borger, received a \$50 gift certificate for his second place amount, and five-year-old Chelsea Douglas, Pampa, received a mantle clock for raising the third largest amount.

Rural Metro Ambulance of Pampa provided an ambulance manned by Jay Lamb, EMT-Paramedic, and Lori Ann Humphrey, EMT Basic in case of emergencies. Veterinarian, Bill Thorne, Pampa was on call for horse emergencies.

Thanks to the people of the Texas panhandle this is the one of the most successful Saddle Up rides in the United States and each year it gets better. Thanks to area business enough prizes were donated for each rider to win something for their efforts. St. Jude also gave t-shirts, sweatshirts, and tote bags for various amounts raised.

Trail ride organizers thank the ranchers who made the ride possible.

Plans are already in the works for next years ride.

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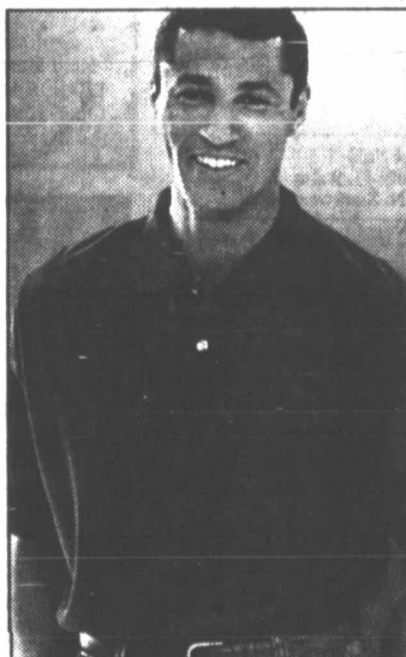
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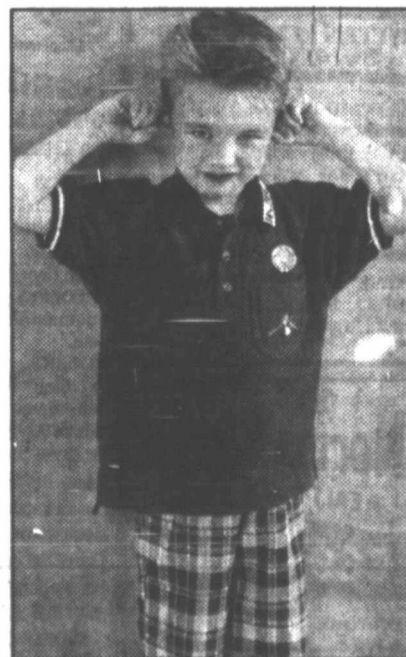
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