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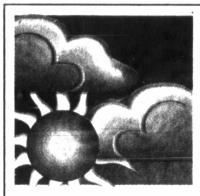
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High today 90 Low tonight 68 For weather details see Page 2.

PAMPA — From Diapers to Diplomas is the theme Wednesday, Aug. 26, when The City of Pampa and Columbia Medical Center hosts a breakfast for 1999 graduating seniors and their parents. The event takes place at 7 a.m. in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium.

PAMPA — Starting at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1, and each Tuesday thereafter the Lovett Memorial Library will provide a story hour for children ages 3 through 5. The story hour will consist of stories and crafts. The library is temporarily at 300 E. Tuke.

AUSTIN (AP) — Tonight's Lotto Texas jackpot got bigger earlier this week.

Lottery officials Monday added \$1 million to the pot, making the top prize \$33 million.

Agency executive director Linda Cloud said ticket sales were going strong and officials were pleased to be able to offer a higher jackpot.

Nobody matched all six numbers in Saturday night's drawing, where the estimated jackbot was \$25 million.

FORT WORTH, (AP) — A grand jury indicted a couple on charges they seriously injured a 2-year-old boy in June when the child drank a soft drink that contained a drug used in date rapes.

Tema Strong, 37, and Lonnie Lackey, 31, were indicted Tuesday on charges of reckless injury to a child/serious bodily injury, officials said.

 Elbert Jack Ironmonger, 74 former painter.

• Mary O'Day, 83, Dumas

resident for 61 years.

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"It's no accident

State Farm

insures more



PEDC forecloses on U.S. Bus

Replacement firm sought for building

Staff Writer

The final chapter in the saga of U.S. Bus has started now that the Pampa Economic Development Corporation board voted to foreclose on the personal property of the company.

A public auction of that property will take place Sept. 1.

There were two votes to foreclose and three abstentions. Jerry Foote, Richard Stowers and Lewis Meers all abstained because they have had private business dealings with U.S. Bus. Voting yes were Riley Kothmann and Roger David.

The PEDC has been in control

several weeks, since company officials left. The foreclosure was a legal step taken to secure the property which was pledged as security for the loans made to U.S. Bus since October 1996, according to Lew Mollenkamp PEDC executive director.

At its peak, U.S. Bus employed 95 people but cash flow problems plagued the company throughout most of its existence.

Earlier this year, the company tried to find outside financing. Later, both U.S. Bus and the PEDC sought buyers for the bus manufacturer.

PEDC representatives are still talking to some bus manufacturers about the possibility of mov-



Once employing 95 people, U.S. Bus has closed its doors in Pampa.

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See PEDC, Page 2

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"Like all other govern-

— Claire Ann Edwards

Panhandle Community

Services

She strives to combine dance, with 'normal life'

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY Staff Writer

Madeline Graves says she finds a great sense of fulfillment in watching her dance students succeed; her own dreams come alive in the steps of her students.

"I had this dream of going to New York, but I really wanted a normal life and I wanted that for my children," Graves said of her decision to decline a dance career in New York.

This week marks Graves' 33rd year of teaching dance and gymnastics to panhandle area talent. She and her daughter Shauna Munsell are registering students today and Thursday for the com-

Graves and Munsell will start their second year together co-teaching the ballet, jazz, tap and gymnastics courses they offer to almost 150 students each week. They take turns teaching the classes, swapping each week to provide the students with two viewpoints.

work really well together ... I think we're going to do good things together," said Madeline. But before the mother and daughter teamed up,

"We look at different things different ways. We

it was just Madeline. For more than 30 years, she alone taught the

many students who have come in and out of her studio's doors

"It's much harder to teach than it is to dance," See DANCE, Page 2



Madeline Graves with young Victoria Campbell in between dance lessons.

Madeline Graves and daughter Shauna Munsell with students watching another student perform.

Utility bill, heat relief available to select group

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

Panhandle Community ment programs, Services will be helping needed it three months cool Pampa this month.

ago, not now." The agency will provide air conditioners and help pay high utility bills for low income families.

According to Claire Ann Edwards of Pampa's Community Services office.

the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs will funnel funds for low-income families with high utility bills due to the

They will also provide air conditioners for low-income families. "It's an income-based program," Edwards said. "You have to qual-

She said the air conditioner program was designed primarily for the elderly and families with children under the age of 6. "This is not for people who have air conditioning," she said.

Edwards said the Pampa office of Panhandle Community Services will buy the air conditioners from local businesses.

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PISD lowers operating costs

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY Staff Writer

The 1998-99 Pampa ISD \$18.5 million operating budget is overall lower than the current \$22 million dollar budget, according to Mark McVay, Pampa ISD business manager.

The new budget was approved last night by board of education members pending the adoption of a tax rate in September.

Despite a three percent salary increase for teachers this year, McVay said he attributed budget reductions primarily to the ability to "shift money around to cover those expenses.

Board members also approved a "declaration of intent to set the 1998 tax rate," which is not the same as setting the tax rate, according to McVav.

Before a new tax rate can be set, said McVay, a public meeting on the budget must be presented; the meeting's scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 10.
"We'll go through and do a

budget presentation so the public can be informed about what changes there are," he said. A three-cent tax rate increase

fund reserves, according to

The proposed budget can be balanced with a tax rate of \$1.455 — the same rate as 1997. But the estimated fund balance as of Aug. 31 is \$500,000, he

This amount is well below the Texas Education Agency's recommendation of two to three months' operating expenses, according to McVay.

The board voted a three cent increase in the tax rate to compensate for the low reserves. If the increase is approved by the board after the public meeting, it will bring the fund reserve up to 1 million dollars - not quite one month's operating expense, said McVay.

"It's not in a problem stage. we consciously knew we could be using much of the reserves with the elementary construction project," he said.

"But it's important to build the reserves back up," he continued. "In addition to using it to maintain cash flow, there are facility needs we'll have to address in the future both an the middle and high schools."

"This is the next phase needed was also proposed at last night's to prepare for those needs down meeting to secure the district's the road," McVay said.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

IRONMONGER, Elbert Jack — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

Obituaries

ELBERT IACK IRONMONGER

Elbert Jack Ironmonger, 74, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Aug. 18, 1998, at Amarillo. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Memory

Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Larry Richardson, pastor of Palisades Fellowship Baptist Church of Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Ironmonger was born March 2, 1924, at Durango, Colo. He had

been a Pampa resident since 1930. He married Athene "Penny" Branscum on Aug. 4, 1986, at Panhandle. He was a painter for Arthur Brothers for 18 years. He was a member of Calvary Baptist

Survivors include his wife, Penny, of the home; a daughter, Jacqulyn Thompson of Artesia, N.M.; a son, John Ironmonger of Artesia; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center of Amarillo. MARY O'DAY

DUMAS – Mary O'Day, 83, died Monday, Aug. 17, 1998. Graveside services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Dumas Cemetery with the Rev. Jay McGaughy, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. O'Day was born at Bardstown, Ky. She married Francis O'Day in 1943 at Dumas; he died in 1981. She had been a Dumas resident for the past 61 years. She was a waitress and a cook. She was a member of First Christian Church.

She was preceded in death by a son, Melvin Cecil Coyle, in 1991.

Survivors include three daughters, Juanita Marie West and Doris Aline James, both of Amarillo, and Francis Dianne Daniels of Canadian; a sister, Elizabeth Sidebottoom Hendersonville, Ky.; 16 grandchildren; 24 greatgrandchildren; and two great-great-grandchil-

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Police report

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

Tuesday, August 18 Jesus Velasquez, 28, 422 N. Russell, was arrested on a warrant.

Marvin Rance Fugate, 46, 405 E. Kingsmill, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated, expired registration, expired inspection sticker, failure to display rear license plate, and no liability insurance.

Misty K. Hallett, 608 Lefors, 21, was arrested on charges of failure to appear, expired license plate,

expired inspection sticker. Clayton Durand Johnson, 34, 1104 was arrested

on charges of a bond surrender. Marc Edmond Martinez, 26, 510 N. Starkweather, was arrested on charges of public

Burglary of \$110 in property was reported in the 500 block of Sloan.

Sheriff's Office

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

Tuesday, August 18 Timothy Pritchard, 28, Sanford, was arrested on charges of delivery of a controlled substance. Charles Wesley Cannon, 43, 1229 S. Sumner, was arrested on charges of violation of probation.

Ambulance

The Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Tuesday, August 18

8:17 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of W. 25th and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

11:56 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of S. Dwight and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

2:24 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of W. 25th and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

2:48 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

4:36 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Kentucky and Hobart and transported two to Columbia Medical Center.

9:57 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of N. Wells. No one was transported.

Fires

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

Tuesday, August 18 11:55 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 1116 S. Christy on a medical assist. 3:33 p.m. — Three units and six personnel responded to Hobart and Kentucky on an automobile accident.

Accidents

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

Tuesday, August 18 Jeannetta Kay Dubois, 25, 1817 N. Nelson was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital, where she is listed in stable condition, and her fouryear-old daughter was treated and released from Columbia Medical Center after the 1989 Cavalier, driven by Dubois, rear-ended the 1996 Deville driven by Kathy B. Logan, 55, 1820 N. Christy, who was slowing for a red light in the 1300 block

of N. Hobart according to police reports.

Police (non-emergency)..... Calendar of events

Emergency numbers

TOASTMASTERS

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

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM

The White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) visiting hours are Tuesday-Sunday, 1 p.m.- 4 p.m. There will be history of the White Deer Land Co., and the early area settlers and outstanding arrowhead collection and art gallery. Elevator.

EMMAUS REUNION

Emmaus Reunion Group meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information call 669-3426 or 669-9226.

PANHANDLE PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

Regular meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. Visitors welcome. For more information, please call 669-0568 or 665-4718.

PAMPA AREA SINGLES

The Pampa Area Singles Dance is Sat., Aug. 22, at the M.K. Brown Auditorium from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Karoke Kountry with Dee O'Kelley is the featured entertainment this month. The price is \$5 per person and everyone is being asked to bring finger foods. For more information, call 665-0219.

Mental patient dies after he's attacked by another patient

RUSK, Texas (AP) — Prosecutors will weigh murder charges against a mental patient at the Rusk State Hospital after the man attacked a fellow patient who later died.

The victim, a 51-year-old man, died at a Tyler hospital on Sunday, a week after the attack, the Jacksonville Daily Progress reported Tuesday.

Police said the victim was hospitalized Aug. 9 after a 39-year-old patient punched him in the face, said causing him to fall backward and hit his head on a

Smith County Justice of the Peace Mary Guthrie has ordered an autopsy.

Officials would not release the names of the victim or the suspect, and they declined to reveal the suspect's whereabouts.

Hospital officials said they didn't report the incident until the following day because they didn't know the victim's injuries were so serious.

Hospital spokesman Joe Rozelle told the newspaper there were no witnesses to the attack, but two review committees will investigate the incident and submit reports to the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Rozelle said it is not uncommon for patients to assault one another. The last time an assault at the hospital resulted in death was in August 1994, he

Authorities said the district attorney will decide whether to issue an arrest warrant for the suspect.

"This will be treated like any other murder that occurred in our county," said James Cromwell, Cherokee County district attorney. "The mere fact that the defendant and victim were co-patients in a mental hospital doesn't change anything."

Cromwell said he's waiting for police to finish looking into the death before presenting the case to a grand jury.

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will be taken to get the equipment needed by a new company, but the auction will go on regardless.

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While some of the equipment is specialized, Mollenkamp says much of it could be used in any industrial plant. The equipment will probably be sold in four or five large groups of items. He also said it is still the PEDC's goal to move another bus manufacturer in that building.

The PEDC also announced it will move to the

securing the bank.

DANCE

Madeline admitted.

"But I think dancing does something for the brain," she said. "It teaches self-discipline and

Recent students of hers are experiencing success now as lawyers, doctors ... and dancers; her own children, while dancers, have degrees in speech therapy and psychology as well.

Graves, herself, achieved a double major in Ballet and Theatre and a minor in Education. She grew up in the Galveston area and moved to Pampa

after her freshman year in college. "My brother moved up here and convinced my parents to move," she said.

He called the Pampa area, "God's country," she added, before the crash in the 80s.

Madeline and her husband met in college and moved to Pampa after completing their schooling, despite her opportunity to study dance in New

My husband said he would wait for me — he didn't care how long it took, she said. But Graves said she didn't want to continue dancing and risk not being able to have children in the future.

"It was more important that I have a normal

While achieving what she calls a normal life, Graves and her students have had enormous success in the dance community. Madeline recently returned from New York with students who quali-

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fied for national competitions. Her students do extremely well in district and state competitions, she said. Every other Friday she takes the student dancers to contests as far away as San Angelo and El Paso.

NationsBank building by Oct. 1. Both Mollenkamp and Lewis Meers, president of the PEDC board, are excited about the move. The PEDC has been in a

building owned by Southwestern Bell since its inception but Mollenkamp said, "Our ability to stay

He also said the type of offices and locale of the

Meers said, "We want to express our appreciation

to the phone company for allowing us the use of the

building." He said having the new offices will make

a good impression on people visiting Pampa for the

The rent for the new offices will be \$500 a month,

a figure Mollenkamp called well below market. The

bank will have to make some changes to allow

after-hours access to the PEDC offices while still

new offices will be better suited to welcoming out-

nere has become a little uncertain."

of-town visitors to Pampa

She and Munsell, who studied dance and psychology in Oklahoma, hold dance camps in the summer where they bring in dance instructors to expose new techniques to the students who can't afford to go to places like New York.

"We take them to contests out of this area so they know what the real world is like," she said.

But the real world of dance is a harsh world. In New York, for example, when there are 300 kids auditioning, they begin the process by eliminating dancers based on body appearance only, she

That is one of the biggest things that have changed about dance in the 30 years Madeline's been teaching, she said.

"They expect more from these children's bodies than ever before ... where they used to think one flip was considered good, now they want three," according to Graves.

"But you have to have energy and strength ... if you don't eat, you won't get it," she said she tells

These "girls" are her family, Madeline says of her dancers.

Especially when you train them from when they're little bitty," she said.

"It's hard to watch them leave."

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RELIEF "We want to keep the money in Pampa," she

Edwards said the air conditioners will be large enough to cool one room.

Panhandle Community Services officials said low-income citizens eligible for the program may include the elderly, disabled, families with very young children and households with incomes at or below 125 percent of the federal poverty guidelines. A family of four, for example, must have an

income not exceeding \$20,563 to be eligible for payment assistance. An individual must have an income not exceeding \$10,063 to be eligible.

"We have a real strong commitment to the elderly." Edwards said.

Money for the program comes from the \$100 million authorized by the Clinton administration the end of July to help low-income families pay for soaring utility bills during the summer's heat

"Like all other government programs," Edwards said, "we needed it three months ago, not now."

Weather focus

Partly cloudy, warm and humid today with a high of 90 and south winds at 10-20. There is a possibility of afternoon Highs 94 to 99. and/or evening showers. Tonight, fair and 68 with south winds at 10-20 mph. Tomorrow, partly cloudy, warm and humid with a high of about 90. The

overnight low was 67. **REGIONAL FORECAST** SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 70s, upper 60s Hill Country. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunder- High in the 80s. Permian storms. Highs in the mid 90s, near 90 Hill Country. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in or thunderstorms. Low 65-70. the mid 70s inland to near 80 coast. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s inland to near 90 coast. Coastal Bend and the Rio 70. High 85-90. Far West Texas Grande Plains — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows near 80 coast to the cloudy with a slight chance of upper 70s inland. Thursday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s coast to the mid 90s inland.

NORTH TEXAS — Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows 69 west to 76 central. Thursday, partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. WEST TEXAS — Panhandle

 Tonight, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the mid 60s. South to southeast wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. High in the mid 80s. South wind 10-20 mph. Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Low in the 60s. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight and Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight and Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Low around — Tonight and Thursday, partly showers and thunderstorms. Low 65-70. High in the mid 90s. Guadalupe cloudy with a chance of showers

or thunderstorms. Lows near 60 mountains to the mid 70s along the Rio Grande. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s mountains to the upper 90s along the Rio Grande. **BORDER STATES**

NEW MEXICO — Tonight variable cloudiness central mountains and west with scattered thunderstorms, most numerous before midnight. Partly cloudy eastern plains with a chance of thunderstorms. Areas of fog and low clouds eastcentral and southeast late. Lows 40s to mid 50s mountains with upper 50s and 60s elsewhere. Thursday, partly to mostly cloudy with scattered afternoon and early nighttime thunderstorms. Lows 40s to mid 50s mountains with upper 50s and 60s elsewhere. Highs 70s to low 80s mountains with 80s to low 90s at lower elevations.

OKLAHOMA — Tonight, partly cloudy. A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms southern Oklahoma and western north Texas. Lows in the lower and mid 70s. Thursday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of mainly afternoon showers and thunderstorms central and Mountains/Big southwest Oklahoma, and west-Bend Area - Tonight, mostly ern north Texas. Highs in the

Computer majors few in number

WASHINGTON (AP) Students may be the most wired ever, toting laptops and chatting by e-mail, but they're not turned on by majors that lead to wellpaying jobs in information technology, according to a survey of college-bound teens.

The disconnect is causing hardships for some would-be employers, while others change the way they recruit.

Only 3 percent of high school graduates who took the ACT assessment picked computer and information science as likely vocations. Fewer than 1 percent said they wanted to be computer engineers. Many more who took the college entrance examination chose business, psychology, law, health services and other areas where opportunities or pay are less promising.

City briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

GYMNASTICS OF Pampa, Fall Registration, Tues., Aug. 25th, 4-7:30 p.m. for info. 669-2941, 669-0510. Adv. **REGISTRATION-JEANNE**

Willingham Beaux Arts Dance 5488. Adv. Studio, Mon. 24th & Tues. 25th, 3-6 p.m. (806) 669-6361 or 669-7293. Adv. MADELINE GRAVES Dance

Gymnastic Center, Fall Registration, 1345 S. Hobart. Tues. Aug 18th & 20th 4:30-6:30. 665-8641, 665-5904 & 669-3741.

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Color Guard band camp was held recently at the University of Texas in Arlington. Among students attending the camp were: (top) Robin Williams, Veronica Arreola, Jamie Clay, Kim Porter, (bottom) Bonnie Shiffman, Jennifer Thornhill, Kimberly Grice and Raelynne Gatlin.

Farmers Union wants no caps on loan rates

WACO — Farmers Union has announced have already predicted that upwards of 25 the launch of a marketing flexibility campaign aimed at removing the caps placed on loan rates under the 1996 farm bill. The purpose of the campaign is to educate producers on the impact of removing the caps and to urge them to call their members of Congress.

"Much of rural Texas is currently experiencing an economic crisis directly related to low farm prices and weather disasters," said Texas Farmers Union President Wes Sims. "Producers need greater marketing flexibility, which would be achieved by lifting the caps on loan rates and increasing the length of the loan periods on commodity loans.

Removing the caps placed on loan rates under the 1996 farm bill would raise the rates by approximately 60 cents per bushel for wheat, 32 cents per bushel for corn, 30 cents per bushel for soybeans and 7.79 cents per pound for cotton. Given that loan rate levels serve as a floor on commodity prices, raising the rates also will likely result in pushing up commodity prices.

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percent of their farmers and ranchers will go Agriculture officials in the states such as out of business during the coming 12 months organization representing family farmers, North Dakota, Indiana, Texas and Oklahoma if assistance is not forthcoming. The most ranchers and rural citizens.

economically devastated areas are those suffering drought and/or disease, but depressed commodity prices have dealt these producers a double whammy, accord-

ing to TFU.
"The price of wheat today is very similar to what it was in 1948, yet input costs have more than tripled over the past 50 years," Sims said. "Producers cannot stay in business if they continue to get prices for their crops and livestock that are less than it costs to produce them."

The Farmers Union campaign includes a national advertising program, informational booths at fairs and farm shows and neighbor to neighbor education. Producers and consumers can contact their senators and member of Congress to urge them to support removal of the caps on commodity loan rates by calling the Capitol switchboard at (202) 224-3121. For more information on the campaign and Farmers Union call 1-877-466-

Texas Farmers Union is a general farm

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Texas Young Lawyers form 'Supreme Team' program for high school students

AUSTIN — History and gov- them better citizens because of it." ernment trapped in the pages of to one law professor.

dents sometimes think of it in a by Baker challenging lawyers; dry way because they read about and non-lawyers to learn more old dead guys," said Thomas about the Constitution than just Baker, professor of law at Texas the preamble. Tech University. "We hope to with how fun Constitutional was only something judges and learning can be."

Professor Baker along with the realized that the Constitution is Young Association established the real-world consequences." "Supreme Team" curriculum to educate high school seniors gives lawyers an opportunity toabout the Constitution and participate in the community-Supreme Court judicial process while educating the students. using an active, hands-on about the law. Many students do: approach.

students as they play the role of way for lawyers and students to potential judges and senators in work on a personal level. the Supreme Court justice seleccases.

Court verdicts are reported as lot of drama involved." sport scores and they often slogans," Baker said.

elements mandated by the Texas Education Agency.

and government are not about and Sherman, among others. dead old guys. With this program you get the 'sizzle and the steak,' "

TYLA Immediate textbooks -- not quite, according President Bill Mateja of Lubbock was inspired to start the Supreme "In matters of government, stu- Team after reading an editorial

"It was fun watching the stubring the Constitution alive and dents rethink what the show its importance and relevance. Students are intrigued Mateja said. "Most thought this."

lawyers could understand. They

Lawyers really a simple document with-The Supreme Team program: not come in contact with lawyers Volunteer attorneys guide the on a daily basis and this is one

"The students need new fresh tion process, examine real cases blood in the classroom, especially involving constitutional issues, by their senior year," said participate in a moot court, reach Supreme Team Co-Chair Andy a decision on the cases examined. Taylor of Houston. "It is gratifyand learn how the Supreme ing to see the kids get charged up Court actually decided on those about a subject that might otherwise be dull. They like to grill "Students think the Supreme their fellow students. There is a

For the upcoming fall semester, reduce very important cases to the TYLA Supreme Team committee will focus on training This five-day curriculum teachers and attorneys in the designed by and facilitated by more rural Texas areas so they attorneys ensures legal correct- will be able to implement the curness and meets the essential skills riculum in high schools. Last year, the team held "court" in Dallas, Austin, San Antonio, This teaches kids that history Houston, Lubbock, Fort Worth

"These are self-contained materials that lawyers already have. Baker said. "We hold their atten- The recipe is taking the basics tion while learning and it makes and adding water," Baker said.

Square House offers Coleman exhibit

PANHANDLE — When you think of the name "Coleman" you most likely think of the lantern or the camp stove. Currently on exhibit at the Square House Museum in Panhandle are examples of the first camp stove (1923-1924) and examples of the first two Coleman lanterns (1914). These items are part of the "More Than Stoves and Lanterns" exhibit of selected Coleman products from the collection of Matt Moore of Panhandle. The exhibit may viewed during regular museum hours through Aug. 30. Admission is free.

Sometimes Coleman made products for special customers, and lanterns embossed with "USFS" and "CPR" were made for the Forest Service (in 1931) and for the Canadian Pacific Railway. Table lamps and chandeliers, complete with glass shades, are other variations on the basic camp lantern in this exhibit. A home heating stove (1926) and an early self-heating iron (1925) are some of the other Coleman products which may surprise you. Early advertising posters and Coleman promotional items complete this exhibit.

Moore has been collecting Coleman products for almost a decade. He focuses on the period from the establishment of the company in 1903 through 1960. He says that there are very few Coleman collectors in the Texas Panhandle, and very few collections in the entire state of Texas as large and as fine as this.

Texas employers required to report new hires

Oct. 1, 1998, in accordance with assistance programs. **Federal** Opportunity Reconciliation Act be required to report certain ployment benefits and information on newly hired and compensation programs. rehired employees to the State Directory of New Hires.

Department of Human Services, employee's first day on the job. the Texas Workforce Commission Businesses may choose to start and the Texas Compensation Commission to to make any programming or for-

WASHINGTON — Effective various compensation and public ing requirements. A multi-state Personal matching process will save tax- all new hire information to a sin-Responsibility and Work payers millions of dollars each year by preventing and detecting of 1996, all Texas employers will fraud in public assistance, unemployment benefits and workers'

All employers in Texas will be required to report new hire infor-The new hire information is mation to the State Directory of also given to the Texas New Hires within 20 days of the Worker's reporting immediately, or begin es of applicants and recipients of with the new mandatory report- that can be reported.

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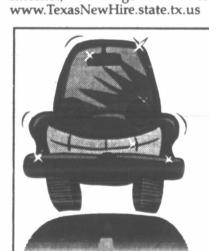
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Opinion

Microsoft takes the offensive

■ Despite a court ruling, the federal government doesn't seem ready to give up its fight against a computer giant.

If the definition of a fanatic is somebody who, when an effort fails because it is proven absurd, redoubles his efforts, then the federal government seems populated by a disproportionate number of anti-Microsoft fanatics.

What's at stake, however, is larger than the fate of a single company, no matter how large and apparently dominant. It is whether computer/communications technology will develop through the flexible, consumer-oriented mechanisms of a competitive private marketplace or will be micro-managed by the government.

In May, the only appellate court to rule on the antitrust jihad against Microsoft by the U.S. Department of Justice and the attorneys general of 20 states told the would-be enforcers, in essence, that their case has no substance. The Justice Department had argued that tying Microsoft's browser, Internet Explorer, to its popular operating system, Windows 95, was the height of monopolistic iniquity and got a lower court to order the company to "untie" the two products. The appeals court reversed the decision and offered pointed remarks about government interference in the marketplace on the basis of incorrect interpretation of antitrust law

Microsoft filed a countersuit recently demanding attorneys fees and damages from the 20 state attorneys general.

The Justice Department, notably, did not drop a subsequent lawsuit that raised almost the same issues regarding Microsoft's newer product, Windows 98. Instead, the department let it be known that it planned to widen its investigation. The leak coincided with a hearing held by Republican Sen. Orrin. Hatch of Utah (where Microsoft competitor Novell is located), at which several of Microsoft's competitors were invited to complain that Microsoft doesn't play fair.

Microsoft is known within industry circles for take-no-prisoners competitive tactics. But even questionable business dealings or chronic corporate arrogance doesn't fully explain the depth of the Justice Department's passion to corner Microsoft.

What's really behind the attack on Microsoft — and, in all likelihood, recent statements by the Federal Trade Commission that the Internet should regulate itself or prepare to be regulated, efforts to outlaw online gambling and ostensible concerns about online pornography and privacy — is a near-frantic effort by the government to control the computer/communications resolution before it is beyond control. Regulators have watched in frustration as technology has advanced and changed every six months (or six minutes?), before the government could come up with a way to impose new rules.

Thus the antitrust action against Microsoft, in which the "remedy" sought for monopolistic outrages is to give the government the right to dictate what products Microsoft could offer and how it could offer them. The Justice Department would become every software company's marketing manager.

The innovation that has outpaced the regulators has given consumers and businesses constantly improving products and constantly failing prices. How much longer would that be true if government really did gain the kind of control it seeks?

With the countersuit, Microsoft signaled that it isn't ready to roll over. Regardless of what one thinks of Microsoft, those who value a market-place free of unnecessary, stifling and expensive government meddling hope the company won't go

-Odessa American

A pro-choice extremist are perhaps the worst possible salesmen. Until now, Geoffrey Fieger was known pri-Kevorkian is a fiend, and Fieger is a lout who has yet to meet the man he can't offend.

marily as the lawyer who kept Dr. Jack Kevorkian out of jail, but the voters of Michigan have just handed him the Democratic nomination for governor.

You mean you haven't heard non-stop coverage about a pro-choice extremist receiving the blessing of a major party? No calls for party regulars to distance themselves from this candidate? Strange. You would have if the tables were turned — if the Republicans were to nominate someone who favored, say, shooting

Fieger (pronounced like tiger) was more than Kevorkian's lawyer. The two are soulmates though in a flash of insight, Fieger once told an interviewer that he had quite a time of it keeping from the public what a complete "lunatic"

Kevorkian really is.

Michigan has now helped kill more than 100 people, only 20 of whom were terminally ill. As he wrote in his 1991 book "Prescription: Medicide," Kevorkian has long believed in harvesting organs from "assisted suicide" patients, death-row inmates, the mentally incompetent and other undesirables. Though Fieger has attempted to paint Kevorkian as a humanitarian, his client's ghoulish obsession with death and mutilation surfaces again and

Last spring, as reported in The Weekly Standard, the body of a man was left at a Michigan hospital. In his back were two gaping holes from which the kidneys had been



Mona Charen

Charen is a nationally syn

removed. Whoever did the job had not even bothered to remove the victim's clothes — but had simply pushed them out of the way. The blood vessels were crudely off tied with twine.

'The body belonged to Joseph Tushkowski. The mutilator was Jack Kevorkian. It's no surprise. He had written many years before that the "voluntary self-elimination of individual He hasn't succeeded. The most famous client and mortally diseased or crippled lives, taken of the Democratic nominee for governor of collectively, can only enhance the preservation of public health and welfare.

While Kevorkian fantasizes about doing away with thousands of undesirables at one fell swoop, Fieger does his best to insult those Kevorkian misses. He called Adam Cardinal Maida, the Catholic archbishop of Detroit, a "nut," likened the Council of Orthodox Rabbis of Greater Detroit to Nazis for opposing assisted suicide ("they're closer to Nazis than they think ... Orthodox Jews are not different than the right-wing Christian nuts") and speculated that Gov. John Engler's triplet daughters are not his own. "Unless they have corkscrew tails, those are not his kids," said Fieger.

As a tag team for assisted suicide, these two

Michigan voters will face a ballot initiative on assisted suicide in November, and the nomination of Fieger should make the issue a centerpiece of the campaign. Then again, it might be more interesting to probe Geoffrey Fieger's

Here's Fieger on drug policy: "What's the difference if we just let people do as many drugs as they want, crawl into a hole and die. . If you put them in jail, another one pops up." (Detroit Free Press, October 1996)

He accuses Engler of racial bigotry. The evidence? Engler favors testing welfare mothers for drugs. Now watch this reasoning: 'Implicitly (Engler is) making a reference to . African Americans even though most welfare recipients are white."

Wait, it gets better. Fieger has also accused Engler of religious bigotry because the governor's office circulated news reports of Fieger's statements about Jesus Christ: "Do you think the Roman soldiers thought he was the Son of God or just some goofball who got nailed to the cross? ... In 2000 years, we've probably made somebody who is the equivalent of Elvis into God, so I see no reason why not to believe that in 2000 years Elvis will be God."

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As for the rest of the human race, Fieger is not exactly enthusiastic. "You couldn't develop a virus that kills as many people as we do and destroys as many things as we do. We're just a pestilence with appendages."

Perhaps he is speaking for himself.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 19, the 231st day of 1998. There are 134 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: One hundred and fifty years ago, on Aug. 19, 1848, the New York Herald reported the discovery of gold in California. On this date:

In 1812, the U.S.S. Constitution, also known as Old Ironsides, Guerriere east of Nova Scotia during the War of 1812.

"Amos and Andy," Freeman Gosden and Charles Correll, made its network radio debut on NBC

In 1934, a plebiscite in Germany approved the vesting of sole executive power in Adolf Hitler as

In 1942, about 6,000 Canadian and British soldiers launched a disastrous raid against the Germans at defeated the British frigate Dieppe, France, suffering about 50 percent casualties.

In 1929, the comedy program Northeast caused by the remnants starring of Hurricane Diane claimed some 200 lives.

> In 1960, a tribunal in Moscow convicted American U2 pilot Francis Gary Powers of espionage. In 1976, President Ford won the tion at the party's convention in

Kansas City. In 1977, comedian Groucho Marx

died in Los Angeles at age 86. Ten years ago: During a news

presidential nominee Dan Quayle defended his service in the National Guard during the Vietnam War.

Five years ago: Dr. George Tiller was shot and wounded outside an abortion clinic in Wichita, Kan., by Rachelle Shannon, who was later Republican presidential nomina- sentenced to eleven years in

One year ago: Carl Drega, a 67year-old resident of Colebrook, N.H., shot and killed a part-time judge, two state troopers and a conference in his hometown of newspaper editor before being In 1955, severe flooding in the Huntington, Ind., Republican vice-killed in a gun battle with police.

Serbs stood up to Nazi Germany

Too many Americans suffer from historical Alzheimer's. Like those with the physical disease, they do not know where they are or how they got there or where they are going or what they are doing.

As a result, they sin grievously.

No sin blots American politics today more than the betrayal of the Serbs. No one ought to be more ashamed of U.S. treatment of the Serbs than American Jews. Yet most Americans, Jew and Gentile alike, duped by the clever public relations counsels for the former Nazi Balkan allies, have in their ignorance turned against the Serbs who, when it meant life or death, stood by the Jews.

What follows are excerpts from a letter from a Jewish physician published in the book, "The Serbs Choose War," by Ruth Mitchell, sister of the famous Gen. Billy Mitchell. Here is what the doctor told his friend:

'No. German measures in Belgrade were able to upset the friendly relations between the Serbs and the Jews. During the forcedlabor period, Serbs talked to their Jewish friends in the streets even in front of the German soldiers and police. During the period when over 300,000 Serbs were massacred by the Croat Utashi in Bosnia, Herzegovina and Lika and some 60,000 shot by Germans in save Serbian Jews and Gypsies." In the book, Serbia, during the period when Serbian stu- Mrs. Mitchell tells how outraged the Serbs help to kill the Serbs, who stood with us dents and peasants were hung in the main were when the Yugoslav government (a feder- against the Nazis square in Belgrade, the Serbs of the capital ation of Serbs, Croats and Muslims) signed a

Charley Reese Syndicated columnist

had sufficient courage to protest publicly their indignation at the treatment of the

Americans blessed by never having lived under military occupation have no idea what magnificent courage that protest took.

The example of the Serbian people, "the Jewish physician wrote, "with regard to the Jewish people is unique in Europe ... In spite of intensive German propaganda in writing and through the wireless, the Serbs remained unaffected ... It is my desire as a Jew and as a Serb that in free democratic countries where Jews are still enjoying full freedom and equality they should show gratitude to the Serbian people, pointing out their noble acts, their humane feelings, and their high civic consciousness ... I cannot conclude this report Orthodox Church tried to save Serbian Jews and Gypsies. Serbian Orthodox priests and the Serbian peasantry risked their lives to

pact with the Nazis. Within two days, the Serbs rose up and overthrew it.

"Then an almost incredible thing happened, a thing so important to the history of the world that freedom-loving men will speak of it with admiration and with gratitude down through the centuries. The Serbs rose. A little race of not more than eight million souls deliberately, sternly decided to die rather than submit to Axis vassalage. They were the only small race of Europe to come in openly on the side of the Allies before they were themselves attacked and while they still had promises of complete security of frontiers, of lives, and of property; the first and only small race themselves to declare war — a war they knew to be absolutely hopeless — against the invincible German war machine."

Their reward? They were betrayed after the war into the hands of a Croatian communist, Marshal Tito. And today, America arms and supports the Croatians, who have again massacred Serbs. A Croat diplomat, describing the 1940s massacres, wrote of a boat set adrift without mentioning how the Serbian crammed with Serbian children's heads, of rape and mutilation of Serbian women and children, of a vessel holding 31.5 kilograms of Serbian eyes, of wreaths made of Serbian tongues. And these Croats are the people we

Shame, shame, shame

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McCain: Real U.S. crisis campaign finance reform

By DAVID BOWSER **Staff Writer**

SPRINGERVILLE, Ariz. — A Senator running for reelection claimed during a campaign stop here that the President's sex life is not the crisis facing the nation

"The crisis is not with Monica Lewinsky," said Sen. John McCain on a campaign stop here in northeast Arizona. "The crisis is with campaign finance reform."

McCain decried campaign abuses of 1994 and 1996, particularly the use of the Lincoln Bedroom in the White House by large campaign benefactors.

The bedroom of our greatest President being treated like Motel 6 is disgraceful," McCain

The Arizona Senator also accused President Clinton and the administration of selling seats tion bid in 1994.

"That's the scam," McCain ical system.

Sen. McCain claimed that the use of soft money, money donated to the party rather than directly to a candidate, is corrupting the political system.

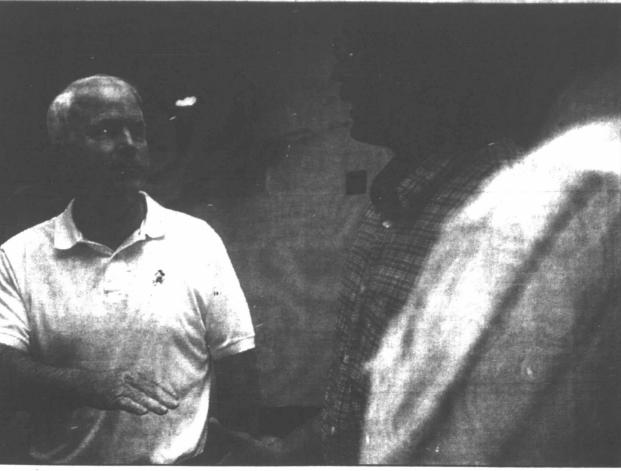
said. "Added to that scam was head the investigation into the independent counsel to investigate this scandal. The Attorney refuses to do it. That's the scan-

McCain claimed that the use of soft money, money donated to on trade missions in his reelec- the party rather than directly to a don't agree with that," McCain candidate, is corrupting the polit-said.

"The scandal is that people can the fact that the Director of the all up the Chairman of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Democratic National Committee and the person that (Attorney and say here's several hundred General) Janet Reno appointed to thousand dollars, let me into the White House," McCain said. "I finance scandal have both recom- maintain that we must do somemended the appointment of an thing about it, and I intend to continue to pursue this issue."

McCain took issue with the General of the United States leadership of the Republican Party who say that the soft money issue of campaign finance is not important.

"Some leaders in my party "They think it's okay. They've become addicted to it."



Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., visits during a campaign stop in eastern Ariz. During the pizza luncheon McCain expressed a concern for predator problems in the Blue Mountains where wolves have recently been introduced.

Texas man held on \$1.5 million bond after road rage incident

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — A down, but the Raineys refused to treated and released from Mississippi on a cash-only \$1.5 an emergency lane, took out the million bond after an apparent fit of road rage.

Jose Martinez Rueda, 66, of Alvin Texas, allegedly fired a Dorr, a Mississippi Higwhay .380-caliber pistol at Audrey Patrol investigator in Gulfport.
Rainey, 58, of Moselle, and her Rueda was apparently upse husband, Harlan Rainey, 64, on I-59 in Pearl River County.

Harlan Rainey said he and his wife were headed to Destrehan, La., for a relative's 50th wedding rage," the investigator said. anniversary celebration driving behind them near Raineys' Picayune.

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"He was driving real radical. of the road to the other," Harlan they sped off. Rainey said Tuesday.

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Northwest spokesman Jon Austin

Association while an 11:01 p.m. CDT Aug. 28 strike deadline drew

nearer. Northwest also is in con-

tract negotiations with its other

The Eagan-based carrier previ-

ously refused to match both

leisure and business fare increases

When Delta Air Lines increased

its 14- and 21-day advance-pur-

chase fares by 4 percent earlier

this month, most carriers matched

by competing carriers.

said Tuesday.

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Northwest, other carriers

up leisure fares 4 percent

MINNEAPOLIS (. ") — Days its leisure and sale fares this week

after Northwest Airli. blocked when travelers already are upset

attempts by rivals to raze leisure by the possibility of a strike by

Northwest raised its 14- and 21- pilots released any details from

day advance purchase and sale their renewed talks — the first

fares by 4 percent on Monday since July 9 — but both said the night and other major carriers negotiations were expected to

quickly matched the increases, continue up to the strike deadline.

The move came as Northwest the talks were not likely to com-

pistol wrapped in a white towel, rolled down his window and began shooting, said Houston

because he was trying to pass the Raineys but they were not moving fast enough, said Dorr.

A bullet shattered the wind-Saturday when he saw Rueda shield and windows in the 1992 Chevrolet Silverado pickup. Harlan Rainey charged with aggravated assault said Rueda tried to run them and driving under the influence. He was just going from one side down in his 1981 Ford LTD, but

The Raineys, who suffered or Rueda tried to flag them cuts from broken glass, were spokesman Sgt. Joe Gazzo.

Neither Northwest nor the

Paul Omodt, a spokesman for

the pilots' union, said parties in

Texas man was being held in stop. So he drove beside them in Crosby Memorial Hospital in Picayune.

"It run my blood pressure way up. They thought I was having a heart attack," Harlan Rainey

The son of Forrest County Rueda was apparently upset District Attorney Lindsay Carter witnessed the incident.

Lin Carter, 20, said he was in his father's truck driving south 'I'm just thinking it was road on I-59 when a man drove by him and opened fire. "I saw the gun and hit the gas," he said.

Rueda, whom police said wrecked his vehicle, was

His bond was set so high to keep him from fleeing the state country, said MHP

Mother nurses wrong baby at Massachusetts hospital

LOWELL, Mass. (AP) — A new mother was given the wrong baby to nurse at Lowell General Hospital, discovering the mistake only when she went to change her son's diaper and discovered that the child was a girl.

Hospital officials said a nurse's aide woke the woman early Sunday and gave her the wrong baby. The woman's son was still sleeping in the hospital nursery with about 15 other babies.

The baby's father said the couple had nothing to say about the switch and asked not to be identified. "We're dealing with the situation," he said.

The mistake was discovered when the woman decided to change the baby's diaper after nursing. She found that the baby she thought was her son Hospital.

Norm Deschene, the hospital's executive vice president, apologized to both families and said the hospital was investigating.

We are not certain as to exactly what happened, but we consider it a real serious breach of security,' Deschene said. "The incident was caused by human error, by a failure to follow hospital policy."

He said the hospital offered the families counseling and said it would pay for any medical tests. The mistake came about a month after a woman discovered her daughter had apparently been

switched at birth three years ago with another girl while they were at the University of Virginia

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had been running an extended fare sale and forcing rivals to match its lower prices as it dealt with labor unrest. Austin would not comment on

why Northwest decided to raise

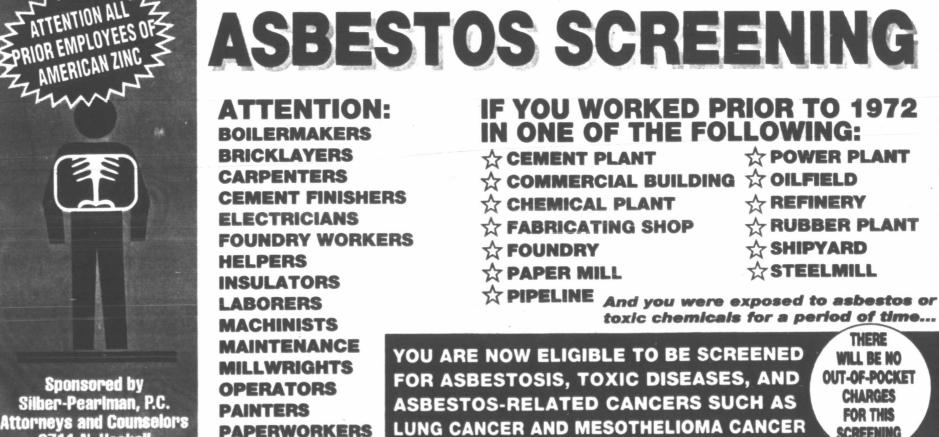
Bombeck tribute

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) - A potted plant will be replaced by a 29,000-pound boulder at the grave of Erma Bombeck.

The rock, which is 6 feet wide and more than 5 feet tall, was taken from the property of a neighbor in Arizona. It was delivered Monday by flatbed truck to Woodlawn Cemetery in the humor columnist's native town.

Bombeck's husband, Bill Bombeck, said he "wanted a piece of Phoenix" at his wife's grave to commemorate the 25 years they spent together in

Bombeck died in 1996 after a kidney transplant. She was 69.



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relationship for eight months. It started when I was 22. My now ex-

girlfriend (I'll call her Sue) was 18. Abby, we fell in love quickly. I gave her my all. Her family loved me and mine loved her. She said I treated her better than she had ever been treated. (I was raised that way.) I respected her, loved her and never mistreated her. In the fifth. month of our relationship, I proposed. She accepted.

Sue recently went on vacation with some girlfriends. The vacation had been planned before we met. I didn't object. I told her to go, and that I trusted her.

Well, she was gone for a week during which I never received even one phone call. When Sue returned, I was at the airport with open arms. Within 24 hours of her return, she announced that she wanted to call it quits. She said she wanted her freedom, that she was too young to have her life planned. She swore she hadn't cheated on me during her vacation. She told me she knows she'll never find anyone who will treat her as well as I have. I was heartbroken

It's been a month, and Sue has gone "wild" since the vacation. A family member confided that Sue had confessed to cheating on me during the vacation.

Abby, women used to complain that guys have no morals, treated them wrong and cheated on them. Today, the roles are often reversed. Women claim they want a guy who will treat them right, open the car

Horoscope

THURSDAY, AUG. 20, 1998

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

The Stars Show the Kind of Day

You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive;

★★★ New beginnings are possible

if you express what you feel. Trying

to be diplomatic with an erratic friend

doesn't work. Let go, and be direct. Keep communications open, despite

someone's reactions. Ideas can flow

even in this heated atmosphere.

** Someone's behavior confuses

your compassionate nature. Pres-

sure is intense to perform. You want

be in too much turmoil to hear you.

★★★★ Be direct in your dealings.

take in the big picture. Others' feed-

back only adds to the prevailing con-

fusion.'Use care in expressing your

Communicate explicitly with oth-

Tonight: Let out the kid in you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Tonight: Put your feet up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR



SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

door, bring flowers, etc. Abby, that's me! I don't understand how Sue could have claimed to love me and then been unfaithful.

I have dated for the past eight years, and I've never been this much in love. I know the obvious response to this is that I'm young and have plenty of time; however, I must ask: Where are all the "nice

ONE OF THE LAST NICE GUYS

DEAR NICE GUY: One day you will realize how fortunate you are that this happened before you married Sue. She may have been swept off her feet by your marriage proposal, but she's far too immature for marriage.

Count your blessings and keep looking. There are nice girls everywhere, waiting to be recognized by someone who has as much to offer as you.

DEAR ABBY: My girlfriend, "Terri," and I are both 19. We have

*** Don't let someone run his

number on you. Pull back, and avoid

someone express his views too. To-

night: Your smile draws in someone.

touch with your feelings. Anger and

frustration build over the next few

This person could be emotionally

frazzled. There also could be jeal-

You might want to update your

you. Return calls. Tonight: Get feed-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

for a group get-together.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

night: Balance your budget.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

been dating for 18 months.

Abby, I never get to see my

friends anymore. Everytime I tell Terri I want to be with my friends, she throws a fit and we get into an argument. She thinks I should spend all my time with her. It's like she's jealous when I choose to be with my friends for a day.

Abby, I miss my friends. I'm not bored with Terri; I just need time with my friends.

FEELS CONFINED IN PACIFICA, CALIF.

than jealous. She needs to work surest ways to sabotage a relaperson feel confined.

Of course you need time with your friends, and Terri needs time with hers. You are not joined at the hip. Part of developing as individuals is mainyou have put up with this for a year and a half, you must like Terri very much. However, I hope you'll consider what I have said, and insist on a both of you.

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cussion with a partner. You need to *** Communications are actispend money to make more, or per-vate. You find yourself in a dilemma haps put in some extra hours. To- over what comes up. Expect the unexpected and confusion, and you won't be disappointed! You have been learning to go with the flow. Pursue

easily misunderstand someone. A CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) partner has been changing and isn't **** Experiment with alternaas you see him. Keep talking, but let tives. A partner is quite clear about his needs. Be as sure about your own before getting into a discussion. Different opinions surround an emo-** Take the day off if possible; tional situation. Be careful commitotherwise, do not get involved with ting to any financial agreement.

months. Learn to channel it, rather AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) than blow your fuse. Be cautious *** Someone is definitely trying you. Be gentle with a close friend or with a new acquaintance. Tonight: to get his message across to you, but you simply might not be getting it. Don't blame him as he jumps up and *** Aim for what you want. A down. He is reacting in frustration to be direct with a boss, but he might friendship is important to deal with. and trying to be heard. Listen better. Someone else has a lot to share.

ousy with a loved one. Your patience PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) is tested, but maintaining it is abso-** ★ Think through a work-related Somehow, you might not be able to lutely necessary. Tonight: Make time commitment. Instead of exchanging fireworks with a co-worker, pull back and change things. Be willing to *** Reach out for someone. Exam- move on. You have a lot of energy; frustration. Someone might not be ine your needs more carefully when now, direct it. It's time for a walk or able to hear you. Tonight: Dine out dealing with a boss. Consider a another stress-buster. Tonight:

Tonight: Hang out with a friend.

change if this isn't working for you. Working too late for your taste! *** Expenses are out of whack. résumé. Don't let insecurity get to BORN TODAY Actress Joan Allen (1956), musician Isaac Hayes (1942), boxing promoter

long-distance contacts. Tonight: Esa major disagreement. You could cape into a favorite pastime.

other people's problems. Stay in Tonight: Let someone clear the air.

finances. Have a long-overdue dis- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Don King (1931)

Garfield

ALL RIGHT, YOU CAUGHT ME ..

NOW WHAT ?

Zits

LET'S GET

OUTTA HERE,

For Better or For Worse

WASHED THE

DISHES LAST

LIKE BEING WITH MY FAMILY, BUT, MAN, IT'S

I CAN'T JUST LEAVE

THAT STREET SIGN

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UH, I PON'T WE COULD REMEMBER SING A SONG

HECTOR!

WHAT SHOULD

YOU FEEL LIKE IT'S

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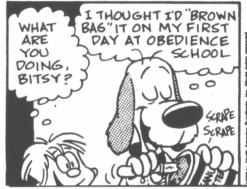
taining separate interests. If degree of independence for

Good advice for everyone – teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill.

Beetle Bailey WHEN SARGE HAS ZERO MAKE A DELIVERY, I WISH HE'D JUST TELL HIM TO HURRY!



Marvin



SO I'M MAKING MY FAVORITE SANDWICH ... P.B. J. & D. B.



I PON'T EVEN

HOW COME YOU DONT CARRY ICE CREAM ?



BECAUSE IT HASN'T BEEN INVENTED, AND I DON'T HAVE A FREEZER



Crossword Puzzle

ers. Be sensitive about someone's back from a friend.

by THOMAS JOSEPH

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Marmaduke



'Visiting hours are over.'



"My dad's into recycling. When he hears a joke, he likes to tell it.

Haggar The Horrible



Peanuts



Blondie





Notebook SOCCER

PAMPA — The Pampa Soccer Association held fall sign-ups for ages 4-18 this past weekend. There are still age groups with openings. Go by T-Shirts & More (111 W.-Kingsmill) to sign up.

Registration feeois \$30 and includes uniforms. New players must bring a birth certificate and they must be at least four years old on or before July 31, 1998.

There will be a Coaches Clinic Aug. 25-27. Coaches attending the four-hour clinic will be eligible to receive a G license and there is no fee to attend.

If you have any questions, call 669-1273.

FOOTBALL

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -Minnesota Vikings owner Red McCombs says he doesn't expect San Antonio to attract a professional football team any time soon because the city lacks the necessary political leadership.

"There is not a passionate interest in sports in political leadership in San Antonio, and until they get that then they're not going to get an NFL team," McCombs said Tuesday on a WOAI radio sports show.

McCombs didn't mention any names but said current city politicians do not seem to have a strong desire to lure a pro sports team to town.

"I think that San Antonio would have to have a full court press with all of its top political leaders to attract the interest of someone coming here," McCombs said.

The only major professional sports team in the city is the NBA franchise, the San Antonio Spurs.

McCombs, a billionaire businessman who made his fortune through car sales, radio and real estate, once owned the Spurs. He recently bought the Vikings for \$250 million.

Despite his longstanding desire to have a football team in San Antonio, McCombs repeatedly has said he has no plans to move the Vikings to

BASKETBALL

AUSTIN (AP) — The second of four players who led a revolt against former Texas basketball coach Tom Penders after last season has decided to transfer.

Texas officials on Tuesday received a release request from sophomore guard Bernard Smith to leave the Longhorns for the University of Houston.

But Longhorns officials are questioning how things unfolded.

Smith, a sophomore from Conroe, told Houston television station KRIV Monday night that he would transfer to Houston to play for new coach Clyde Drexler. But Texas coach Rick Barnes said UT didn't receive a release request until Tuesday.

Under NCAA rules, a student-athlete who wishes to transfer must first receive his release before arrangements can be made to enroll in another school.

"Obviously, we believe he's talked to Houston," Barnes said. "I don't think anyone would walk away from something unless they know what they have waiting for them. ... It's in his best interests (to transfer) but we have rules and regulations to handle this procedure.'

UT athletic director DeLoss Dodds, who also said Smith will receive his release, said he planned to speak with Houston Athletic Director Chet Gladchuk about the mat-

"(But) we're not going to make an issue out of it," Dodds said. "We're not going to be a problem on this.

Houston athletics spokesman Rick Poulter said, 'All we've done is basically tell him he has to get his

Pampa girls open volleyball season with dual victories

slow start, but a strong ending attempts. for the Pampa Lady son Tuesday night.

in the first match, then turned 10, 15-9 wins. back Palo Duro in the second Kirkpatrick had four kills, two match.

Lady Harvesters dropped the first game, 15-8, head coach Carmen Pennick, a against River Road, but came former coach at River Road. back with convincing 15-5, 15-5

and three block assists while Duro is in the same district (4teammate Anne Gaddis fin- 4A) as Pampa this year.

RIVER ROAD - It was a ished with three kills in five

The Lady Harvesters also Harvesters in their opening had to rally against Palo Duro, volleyball matches of the sea- losing the first game, 15-7. Lisa Kirkpatrick led the come-Pampa defeated River Road back as Pampa rallied for 15-

> block solos and two assists. It was a nice start for new

River Road, a 3A school, victories in the last two games. defeated Palo Duro, 12-15, 15-Kelsey Yowell had 14 kills 10, 15-7, in the other dual. Palo

Bagwell, Biggio survive collision in Astros' win

Houston Astros manager Larry players and when either of them Dierker held his breath before letting out a huge sigh of relief.

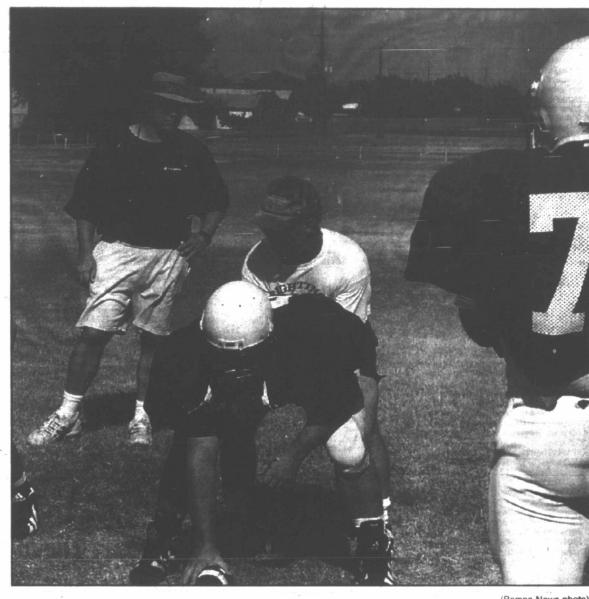
of your team's premier players — Jeff Bagwell and Craig Biggio are involved in a collision.

power the Astros' offense, as two runs scored in Houston's 8-2 Phillies on Tuesday night.

"Those two guys are incredible go down, you get concerned quickly," Dierker said. "Last season, That tends to happen when two both of them went down on a play. That was a little hectic.

Dierker's concerns occured in the first inning when Scott Rolen The duo emerged unscathed to lofted a pop-up down the rightfield line and Bagwell and Biggio Bagwell went 3-for-5 with five both gave chase. Bagwell ended RBIs and Biggio went 3-for-4 with up making the catch but Biggio drew the force of the collision, victory over the Philadelphia taking Bagwell's knee to the rib

Hike, One, Two



Pampa assistant coach Scott Lewis calls an offensive play behind center Jeremy Miller during Tuesday afternoon practice. The Harvesters scrimmage the Borger Bulldogs at 8 p.m. Thursday at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo.

Cross country program needs a boost

Small, but mighty; swift and quick. That's how one could picture the Pampa girls' cross country team, which coach Mark Elms has built into one of the best programs in the state.

Elms returns his top five — Jenny Fatheree, Beth Lee, Samantha Hurst, Anna Resendiz and Amanda White — from last year's third-place squad at the state meet. Those five would be at a height disadvantage on a basketball court. None of them are very tall. However, they know how to get the job done on those hilly slopes and grassy flatlands. These same girls were on the team that won the state cross country championship two years ago.

"They know what it takes," Elms said. "They're working hard to get back to Austin."

Workouts started August 3 and there's quite a battle between Marci Hansen, Daisy Leal, Jessica Burns and Rebecca Fatheree for the



remaining two spots on the team. "It's going to be fun," Elms Kelby McClellan is Pampa's

main hope on the boys' team.

year and take it one step further,"

Aug. 29 at the Hidden Hills public call at 669-4830. golf course. The runners will see they can cover in an hour, son at the Chautauqua run on Individuals or organizations can Labor Day weekend. Their first currently being installed at Jones the Harvesters

going into the cross country pro-

Cross country may not be your favorite sport, but any high school "He went to regionals last year. athletic program — especially one He'll try to duplicate that feat this which can produce a state championship — is worthy of financial aid from the community. To make a Cross country team members contribution, contact any of the Francisco 49ers at 4 p.m. Aug. 23. have their annual Run-A-Thon team members or give coach Elms a

how many of the back nine holes first official appearance of the sea-

high school meet is Sept. 12 at Stadium Liberal, Kan.

Zach Thomas looks like he's ready for another NFL season to start. Following Miami's 14-13 exhibition win over Tampa Bay, coach

Jimmy Johnson

And I thought our linebackers, sponsor a runner with all donations of course Zach (Thomas) and Dwight Hollier and (Robert) Jones and Derrick Rodgers all did a solid job," Johnson was quoted as say-

> Thomas, of Pampa, begins his third season as starting middle linebacker for the Dolphins.

> The Dolphins scrimmage the San

Texas Tech football fans will be The cross country team makes its treated to Mitsubishi Diamond Vision this coming season. It's a largescale video display board, which is Petey Davis added 12 each for

According to a press release from Mitsubishi Electronics America Inc., the display board will be like thousands of televisions, assembled together, to make a giant screen. No matter where a fan is seated he will be able see every had some good things to say about replay on the giant screen, which his defense during a press conference. will be about three stories high and

> Sign of the times: My granddaughter is in the U.S. Army. Bumper sticker seen on Pampa vehicle. That's something you wouldn't have seen 30 years ago.

. Flashback — 1983: Pampa used a balanced scoring attack to defeat Lubbock Estacado, 61-54, in a District 1-4A basketball game. Rodney Young scored 14 points while Richard Rogers and

Missouri tries to keep going

By R.B. FALLSTROM **AP Sports Writer**

Missouri's breakthrough season is just the beginning for coach Larry Smith.

Now, he has to deliver an encore for last year's Holiday Bowl team and for fans he finally awakened.

Last year, the Tigers ended a run of 13 consecutive losing records with a 7-4 regular season before losing to Colorado State in the postseason. Missouri, which won five games in 1996 and three the year before that, finished the year ranked No. 23.

"I've never seen somebody so excited about a 7-4 record," Smith said. "The whole state was just beside themselves, and rightly so. They've been waiting a long time for this."

They didn't wait this long for one nice season, either. "A building process is never

over," Smith said. "We're just making a move."

He doesn't have to convince his players.

"I think our expectations are higher than the fans' expectations," all-Big 12 quarterback Corby Jones said. "The fans want us to go bowling again, but as players we are looking to win nine or 10 games and make it to a toptier bowl game."

Missouri's chances of making it to the postseason again probably rest on the shoulders of Jones, a senior. The school began touting him as a Heisman Trophy candidate before the Holiday Bowl, devoting a full page to a game photograph.

Tennis scrimmage



(Pampa News photo by Jonathan Ladd)

Emily Waters waits for a serve during the Green-Gold Tennis Scrimmage held recently at the high school courts. The scrimmage was between the Pampa varsity and junior varsity teams as a way of kicking off the fall season.

Red Sox sweep Texas

BOSTON (AP) — During the seventh broke the tie. spring training, it was uncertain if Red Sox pitcher Tom Gordon starter to closer. Now with 36 saves, and 33 straight, there's Gordon belongs.

Not that Gordon is keeping track of his statistics.

After his second save of the day in the 5-4 win over the Texas Rangers on Tuesday night, Gordon confessed that he didn't even know he picked up a save in the first game of the day-night doubleheader, until he looked at the scoreboard.

"It's just wins and losses," said Gordon said, adding that he doesn't think about his saves, or his winning streak.

"I'm not that interested in his record, and I don't think he's concerned either," Red Sox pitching coach Joe Kerrigan said. "He has great work ethics and it comes as no surprise that he's been so successful. He's basically done it himself."

Sox slugger Mo Vaughn sees Gordon as the go-to person at the end of the game. He knows that if the team is leading, there's no question about Gordon coming through.

"We just look to get that oneor two-run lead to get us ahead," Vaughn said. "He'll get

Luis Alicea and Roberto Kelly hit consecutive home runs in the night game to give Texas a 4-2 lead after five. The Red Sox tied it in the sixth on Mike Stanley's sacrifice fly. Vaughn's homer in 190 in 1930.

Derek Lowe (3-7) pitched 2 1-3 scoreless innings in relief of could make the transition from Bret Saberhagen to pick up the win. Danny Patterson (1-5) took the loss after allowing one run no question about where on two hits and a walk in 1 1-3 innings in relief of Rick Helling.

The double-save in Tuesday's doubleheader marked a first in the Gordon's career. And he didn't know he was pitching in the early game. This is an important series

for us. Texas is a tough and very aggressive team," he said. Maybe I felt a little better in the second game because the first felt a little early. I didn't expect to go in. For the second game, I was physically and mentally prepared.'

But manager Jimy Williams was not concerned with Gordon's preparedness

'I didn't even ask him,' Williams said. "I knew he'd be ready to go in there and pitch."

Red Sox ace Pedro Martinez (16-4), who struck out 10 in 8 2-3 innings in the day game, feels comfortable leaving the game in Gordon's hands.

"Any time the manager asks me to, I'll give Flash the ball," Martinez said. "He's been great all year. He's been very consistent, and you can't ask for

Juan Gonzalez's 34th homer - his first in seven games and his first RBI in six games — had give the Rangers a 1-0 lead in the second inning. Gonzalez has 120 RBIs this season, a pace that would give him 157, far RBI double and Jason Varitek's behind Hack Wilson's record of

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Snyder, Foulke (7), Howry (8), Simas (8) and Kreuter; C.Finley, Fetters (7), DeLucia (9), T.Wilson (9), P.Harris (9) and Wallbeck, W— Snyder, 4-1. L—C.Finley, 9-6. Sv—Simas (16). HRs—Chicago, Belle (37). Anaheim,

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Tuesday's Games

No games scheduled Wednesday's Games Charlotte at Washington, 7 p.m. New York at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Los Angeles at Houston, 8:30 p.m. Sacramento at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

End Regular Season

Major League baseball pulls Sunday night games off ESPN2 Television

NEW YORK (AP) — Unable to take this position," ESPN said in a nel would show nationally televised Sunday night baseball games, major league baseball and ESPN are on a legal collision course.

Baseball officials announced Tuesday they are giving ESPN's final three Sunday night games back to the teams to sell locally instead of allowing them to be moved to ESPN2 to accommodate the cable network's new \$17.6 billion, eightyear deal with the NFL.

This could be the first step in a legal challenge between baseball and its major cable partner, with both sides claiming there has been a breach of contract.

"We are extremely disappointed that major league baseball would

settle their dispute over which chan-statement. "This action violates our contract, which expressly provides for preemption and distribution on ESPN2."

But baseball claims its contract is with ESPN, which is available to about 74 million homes, and balked at the network's plans to move the games to ESPN2, which is available in about 60 million.

"These will be important and critical games in September and we are disappointed that ESPN has chosen not to carry our games," said Paul Beeston, baseball's chief operating officer. "ESPN2 was never an option. Our contract specifies that Sunday games are to be on ESPN."

said the contract only permitted a

switch to ESPN2 with the sport's permission, something baseball agreed to in May to accommodate the NHL playoffs

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Baseball officials had threatened to nullify the contract and move to another network during the season, but decided to wait until the offseason to either make a legal move or demand significant concessions from ESPN, a baseball lawyer said on the condition he not be identified.

In order to file a lawsuit, baseball would need to show tangible damages, something that would be difficult to prove if baseball found a new cable partner.

Also, the six teams participating Baseball spokesman Rich Levin in these games can now profit by selling the rights locally.

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The difference isn't obvious

until his wrist twists and elbow

bends, and — hello! — out comes

a nasty breaking ball instead of the

high heat. It still counts as a strikeout Gooden dazzled the team from his hometown as the Cleveland Indians salvaged a shaky homestand with a 4-2 victory over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Tuesday

rely more on location," said Gooden, a Tampa native who starred at Hillsborough High. "I can't throw it as hard as I once did. But the breaking ball, I have a lot of confidence to throw it even late in the count. It's sort of become my out pitch." Gooden (5-6) allowed one run

and eight hits in six innings with

three walks and four strikeouts.

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"With the fastball, I've got to

instincts of a decade ago, Gooden ended his last three innings with He struck out Kevin Stocker and Randy Winn with the bases loaded in the fourth, then froze Quinton McCracken with the tying runs on in the fifth. He struck out Winn again with a runner on second to end the sixth. All were on sliders, a pitch he had trouble developing as

York Mets. Different stuff, same instinct.

a young phenom with the New

"It just comes out of you when a guy makes an error or you get in a jam from your own mistakes, you've just got to turn it up a notch," Gooden said. "A lot of times, the third, fourth or fifth inning may become, for me, my ninth inning.



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Despite wired world, Police capture infamous kidnapper computer majors significantly low

by e-mail, but they're not turned on by majors that lead to wellpaying jobs in information technology, according to a survey of college-bound teens.

The disconnect is causing hardships for some would-be employers, while others change the way they recruit.

Only 3 percent of high school graduates who took the ACT assessment picked computer and information science as likely vocations. Fewer than 1 percent said they wanted to be computer engineers. Many more who took the college entrance examination chose business, psychology, law, health services and other areas less promising. Other surveys have found similar results.

"Students' current career aspirations seem to be somewhat out getting the help with career planof sync with the jobs that will be ning early or often enough. available for many of them," Richard L. Ferguson, president of the American College Testing service, based in Iowa City, Iowa, I'm interested in," said Pat said Tuesday when releasing O'Connor, 18, of Long Island, scores for the high school class of N.Y., beginning freshman orien-

36, for a record 995,000 students who took the examination was the same as last year's, a high for the decade. Scores were boosted in part because more high school students are taking advanced ment banker. math and science.

ignite a passion for computer careers, despite hundreds of thousands of openings for programmers, engineers and systems analysts. The average salary for a job offer for a 1998 college graduate in computer science jumped this year to \$41,561, up jobs. nearly 12 percent from a year ear-Association of Colleges and

Only 3 percent of high school graduates who took the assessment picked computer and information science as likely vocations. Fewer than 1 percent said they wanted to be computer engineers.

Department expects computer jobs to more than double by 2006.

Ferguson says students aren't Students, advisers and employers give other reasons.

"I can only really study what tation at George Washington The national average compos- University. He's probably going ite score of 21, out of a possible to major in psychology. A fellow freshman standing outside the dorm, William Jennings, 18, of Greenwich, Conn., is looking at international business largely because his father was an invest-

"There are a lot of possibilities Those courses have yet to related to computers, but I don't know about them," he said. "It's its recruiting reach beyond the not interesting to me to sit in top 10 percent of colleges, front of a computer screen for a long time.'

The economy is doing so well

that college graduates with all contact. kinds of degrees are getting good "I think what's happening lier, according to the National now, because the job market is so

WASHINGTON (AP) — seas and to ambitious high school Students may be the most wired students. Companies are pressur- Denise Dwight Smith, director of ever, toting laptops and chatting ing Congress to let 190,000 more the career center at the University foreigners into this country for of North Carolina-Charlotte and president of the NACE.

She said there have been hot careers before, such as accounting, and students may wrongly picture many computer jobs as impersonal and isolated.

High-tech employers are puzzled by the disconnect and struggling with it.

"A lot of projects and requirements are going unstaffed. A lot of revenue is being lost," said Alan Shulman, an executive with **AETEA Information Technology** Inc., a Rockville, Md., firm that provides network, Internet and other services.

"The strange thing is, I go to where opportunities or pay are high-tech jobs. The Labor houses of friends of mine and the kids are 5, or 7, or 8 years old and in front of a computer, playing computer games and stuff," he said. "You would think they would feel more comfortable and acclimated to technology ... but maybe we're still not placing the emphasis we need to in our early education practices."

William Ziegler, director of technical recruiting in the Americas for Andersen-**Americas** Consulting, says people who know enough math and science to inspire students can get better jobs elsewhere.

"What they would get as a teacher is much lower, odds are, than what they would get practicing, and that causes a prob-lem," he said.

Andersen also has broadened going to smaller and more geographically remote ones, using video interviews for the first

EDS, the Plano, Texas, technology and data giant with 110,000 employees, is giving curriculum and other advice to about 40 targood for the college graduates, geted universities and pouring they're feeling a little more confimoney into lower schools to pro-Employers are turning over- dent staying with something mote technology and science.

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Lopping off victims' ears was standard practice for Mexico's most infamous kidnapper. Before his capture this week, police said he even used makeup on one dead victim to convince relatives the earless man was still alive and worth a ransom.

After a nine-month manhunt, Daniel Arizmendi Lopez, known as the "ear lopper," was arrested Monday and arraigned Tuesday.

The ears were sent to relatives to pressure them to pay ransom. In statements Tuesday, Arizmendi showed no remorse and even said one police officer had participated in his kidnap gang, accused of 21 kidnappings in about three years.

The kidnappings epitomized an unprecedented crime wave in Mexico City, which has prompted a surge in bodyguards, driven away business and brought travel warnings from the U.S. Embassy. In his statements, Arizmendi, 39, a former Morelos state police officer, said he never repent-

ed his actions and wanted to be executed. "I wish there was a death penalty ... a whole life in prison is ugly, I think death would be nicer," Arizmendi told the Azteca television network. 'Maybe I'm not so right in the head as I appear."

Mexico does not have the death penalty, and Arizmendi could face a maximum of 40 years in prison on each homicide or kidnapping count if

Prosecutor Samuel Gonzalez said Arizmendi and 39 accomplices under arrest could get a total of "several thousand years" in prison.

"I never felt anything (for the victims), nor shame," Arizmendi said, describing how he used butcher's shears to cut up - or off - victims' ears, without anesthesia.

"I never heard one of them ask me not to do it, perhaps because they didn't have the opportunity," Arizmendi said, describing how victims were bound, pushed to the floor and sliced. In the interview, Arizmendi acknowledged

confessed to killing three of his accomplices. Arizmendi said only one policemen had participated in kidnappings, while prosecutors say five officers are under arrest or investigation for aid-

killing two of his victims, while Gonzalez said he

ing the band. Arizmendi also reportedly raped a female victim and threatened to cut the breast off

Arizmendi was arrested Monday night in Naucalpan, a northwestern suburb of Mexico City by police acting on information from accomplices and wire taps. He had about \$500,000 in cash with him.

He was first taken to the north-central state of Queretaro to lead police to the shallow grave of kidnap victim Raul Nieto del Rio.

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