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Top O' Texas Rodeo action concludes

By CHIP CHANDLER
Staff Writer

In 1945, a five-year-old girl competed in the barrel race during the first Kid Pony Show, riding figure eights around three barrels set in a line in the center of the arena.

"Did I win? Hell, I don't remember. ... I did (win) some. I rode a Shetland pony bareback, because I didn't own a saddle," recalled Janice Rucker as rain pounded Saturday's final night of the 50th anniversary Top O' Texas Rodeo.

"We had more, different events back then that were more fun," she continued.

One such event was the doughnut race, in which a wire was hung across the center of the arena. Doughnuts were hung from the wire, and contestants were expected to take a bite from each pastry without using their hands, Rucker remembered.

"My sister was pretty good at that," she reminisced.

After competing in the Kid Pony Show 10 years (then, as now, contestants could compete until they turn 15), Rucker began competing in the barrel race in the big rodeo.

"My second or third year I placed fourth, and back then we had 80 racers in two go's and a short go," she said.

Rucker competed until about six years ago, and the barrel race remains her favorite event. She consented to be interviewed only when she was promised she wouldn't miss the race.

Though she hasn't missed the

rodeo since it began - "I've never missed a rodeo, never" - Rucker feels strongly that times have changed for the worse.

"These guys that are competing, they're not local. People here don't have the foggiest idea who these guys are," she said. "It's because there's not any locals that people don't come any more."

She remembered many times that the stands were overflowing with fans watching local cowboys and cowgirls competing.

"That was back in the amateur days. That in a nutshell made it a better rodeo," Rucker said.

Another change: "Everything is more technical now. There's a technique to everything now where when I was a kid you just rode."

"Back in the 40's and 50's, before they got technical with timers and all, my dad ... would start the ropers with a flag. There'd be times he'd come home just in time to milk the cows and that was around 6 a.m.," she said.

So why does she keep coming back year after year?

"It's hometown, it's something to go to and see your friends. There's a lot of people I don't see but year to year. Hell, I come here to visit, not watch the rodeo."

Saturday results in the 50th Anniversary Top O' Texas Rodeo:

First Section Bull Riding (sponsored by the National Bank of Commerce): 1. Tim Cullum, Dallas, 62 points. 2. David McLean, Paducah, 61.

Steer wrestling (sponsored by Northgate Inn): 1. Shawn Johnson, Checotah, Okla., 4.2 seconds. 2. Brent Lewis, Pinon, N.M., 5.1. 3. Spud Duvall, Checotah, Okla., 5.2. 4. Tommy Ford, Point Blank, Texas, 11.7. 5. Zeke Billingsley, Shamrock, 14.1.

Bareback Riding (sponsored by First Bank Southwest): 1. D.J. Johnson, Hutchinson, Kan., 78 points. 2. Craig Gatlin, Whitney, Texas, 75. 3. Chris Robles, Whitney, 73. 4. Shawn Frey, Mustang, Okla., 69. 5. Dale Ziehl, Eastland, 68.

Saddle Bronc Riding (sponsored by Dorman Tire and Service Company): 1. Travis Griffin, Tularosa, N.M., 78 points. 2. Ben Pier, Gruver, 65.

Mutton Busting: 1. Dasey Anderson, 2. Amanda Crawford, 3. Brody Russell.

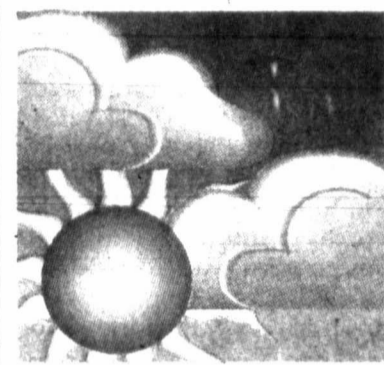
Calf Roping (sponsored by Frank Johnson Trucking): 1. Brent Lewis, Pinon, N.M., 9.3 seconds. 2. Dixon McGowan, Yukon, Okla., 10.2. 3. Clyde Himes, Stanton, Texas, 10.2. 4. Raymond Hollagaugh, Stamford, 11.3. 5. Shane Hatch, Fruitland, N.M., 16.9.

Cowgirls Barrell Race (sponsored by Bowers Ranch): 1. Colette Baier, Hardtner, Kan., 17.41 seconds. 2. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz., 17.53. 3. Alicia Karr, Amarillo, 18.12. 4. Tommie Potter, Umbarger, 18.13. 5. Dionne Sanders, Panhandle, 18.39.

Second Section of Bull Riding (sponsored by National Bank of Commerce):

1. Bill Williams, Fort Scott, Kan., 67 points.

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Low tonight in mid 70s, high tomorrow in mid 90s. See Page 2 for weather details.

LEFORS — The Lefors City Council will meet in regular session Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the civic center.

Topping the agenda is discussion of the planned giveaway of tax-delinquent lots in the city.

Other items on the agenda include discussion of bills, including citizen complaints on high water and gas bills. Also, council members are expected to discuss city vehicles, an increase in cost for Pampa residents paying telephone bills and the mayor's and marshal's reports.

The meeting was originally scheduled for July 8 but was canceled for lack of a quorum.

PAMPA — A 22-year-old Pampa man is in stable condition at Columbia Medical Center suffering a single stab wound to the chest.

Donny Duree of Courtyard Apartments was knifed about 1:20 a.m. today, said police officials. There are no suspects, though Duree told officers he was attacked by a lone man.

The only description of the assailant is that he is not a black man, said Det. Morse Burroughs of the Pampa Police Department.

Burroughs said the motive and location of attack are under investigation.

PAMPA — The Gray County Commissioners Court will be meeting at 9 a.m. Wednesday, July 17.

Agenda items include consideration of the proposed 1997 budget and review of current budget items.

Other business items include approval of monthly payments, a presentation by Hoover Volunteer Fire Department, discussion by Doyle Lee on McLean Ambulance needs, and discussion of a request by the county auditor and county treasurer for new computer system.

Also on the agenda are a request by Margaret Hall to feed city prisoners, discussion of clean-up after rental use of Clyde Carruth Pavilion, consideration of sale of McLean delinquent tax property, appointment of election judges for 1996-1997 and an executive session on personnel matters.

By The Associated Press

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn for the latest Lotto Texas, state lottery officials said.

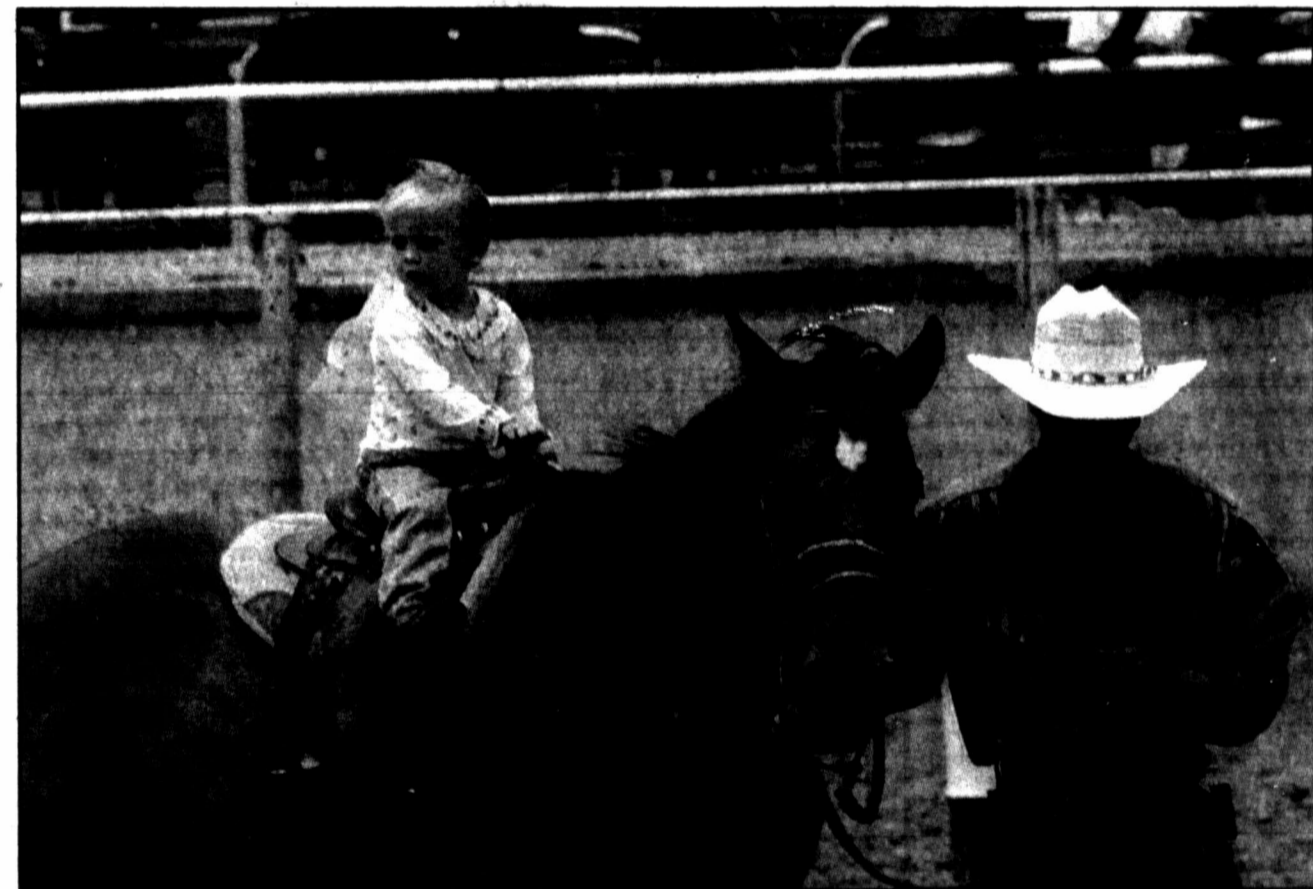
The lotto jackpot was worth an estimated \$12 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 for the twice-weekly game were: 10, 21, 27, 30, 32 and 47.

The lottery said 84 tickets sold with five of the six numbers were each worth \$2,436.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$18 million.

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Lacie Oxley participates in Sunday's walk and lead event as her father, Whitney Oxley, helps her around the arena at the Kid Pony Show. Her mother is Jennifer Oxley.

Kid Pony Show trains young cowpokes

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

"Momma, Don't Let Your Kids Grow Up to be Cowboys" is one song with little influence on the ears of mothers and fathers in Pampa.

During Pampa's Kid Pony Show there were over 300 children participating, said Jane Jacobs, executive secretary of the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association.

The youngest child in this year's Kid Pony Show was just under two years old and still in diapers. Two or three were still sucking pacifiers, but they are still cowboys and cowgirls.

"Those (calves) are too big compared to my size," cried Donald Eatinger, 6, a youngster from Boys Ranch.

He used his hands to measure the size of the calf he was assigned to ride, indicating that its back came up to his chin.

"Those little cows I ride at the ranch only come to here on me ...," Donald said, moving his

hand to mid-chest.

Either way, it's a lot of cow to him.

By then, he was safely in the arms of Cindy Burrow, Boys Ranch director of day care, and assured he didn't have to ride if he didn't feel good about it. He was glad.

According to Billy May, a program director at the BR Borger facilities, 45 Boys Ranch children participated in groups I through IV on Sunday. During the three-day kid rodeo, more than 100 boys and girls represented BR facilities, including children of the staff.

Parents of young contestants helped their child or children ready-up for each event under cloudy skies and cool temperatures.

"This turned out to be a great day for us," Kelly Packard of White Deer said, after the first of her sons finished his events.

"We spend every weekend in the summer rodeoing with our boys. If we are not at one of the 12

Northwest Oklahoma Junior Rodeos, we are making the area junior rodeos," Mrs. Packard said.

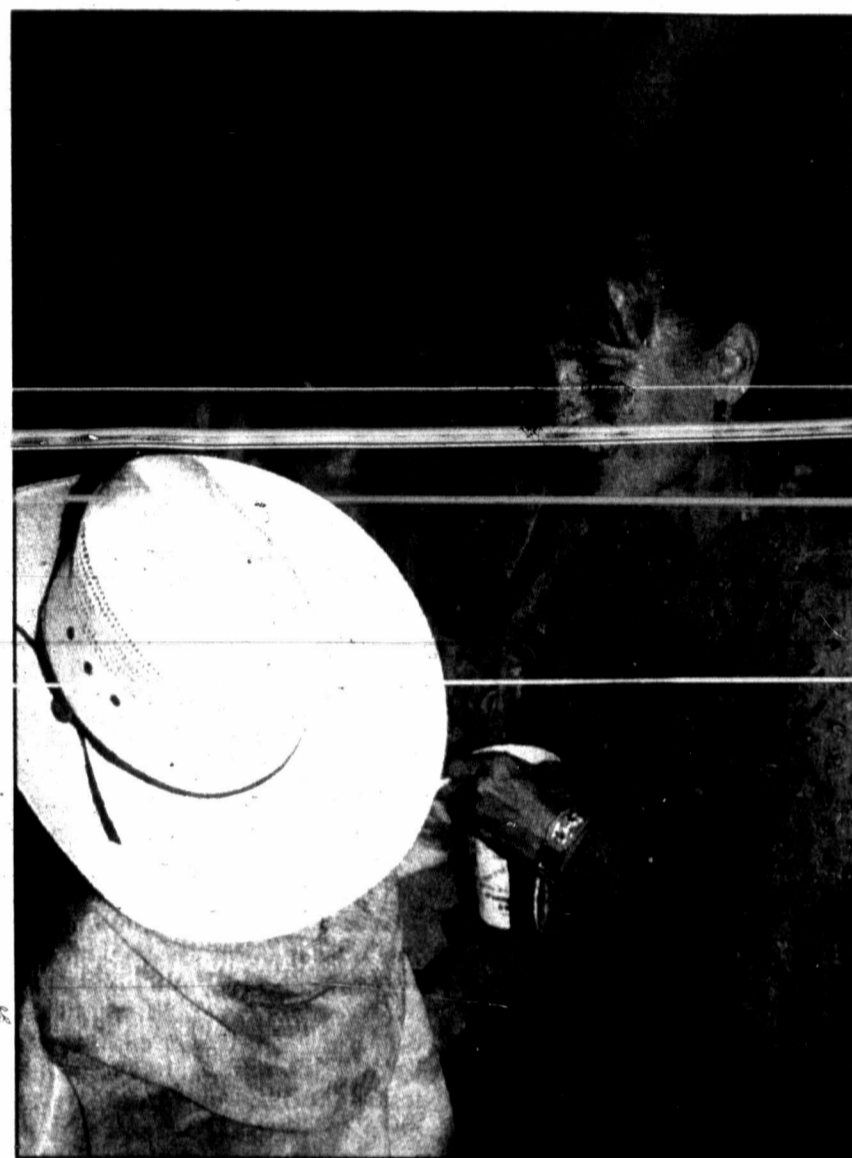
The Packards, Tim and Kelly, and son Trenton, 7, and Tanner, 5, have horses and rodeo in their hearts and minds. Even their mother competed in the junior rodeos as a child, and was active through her teen years in rodeo competition. She was Miss Tri State Rodeo in 1976-77 and Miss Rodeo Texas Teen Miss Congeniality 1977-78.

She gets more enjoyment out of helping her sons and teaching them than competing anymore, she explained.

Trenton recently spent two days on the Hext Ranch in Canadian at a training school to learn to ride calves, said Mr. Packard.

He attended the school with his son to learn the correct methods of teaching and handling the calves. The family works together in learning and practicing for rodeo competition, he said.

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Jackie Rucker sits surrounded by family and friends during Saturday's final night of the 50th anniversary Top O' Texas Rodeo. Rucker has attended the rodeo every year since 1945, competing in many of them. All three of her children competed in the rodeo as well, as did a grandson, who competed last year at age 16 months.

Gridlock still rules as Congress faces some major issues

WASHINGTON (AP) — There is a glimmer of hope on welfare, but election-year politics appear still to be standing in the way of passing a health insurance bill both parties say they want.

Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle used a national television appearance Sunday with his Republican counterpart, Trent Lott, to propose a way to break a three-month deadlock on health insurance. Lott dismissed it out of hand.

Daschle, D-S.D., suggested on NBC's *Meet the Press* that the main aims of the bill — to ensure that people who lose or change jobs keep their insurance and are not punished for pre-existing medical conditions — be handled separately from a GOP-backed plan to create tax-exempt medical savings accounts, or MSAs.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., has blocked appointment of senators to House-Senate negotiations on working out differences in their health care bills because GOP leaders intend to include the accounts for millions of employees of small businesses.

Democrats say they would support only a small-scale experiment with the program. They contend that a large-scale program would siphon off healthy and affluent people from group health insurance plans and thus raise premiums for the ill and the poor.

Lott, R-Miss., responding to Daschle's suggestion that MSAs be dealt with separately, said: "As soon as Senator Daschle gets Senator Kennedy under control and agrees that we are going to have MSAs and portability, we are going to get health insurance reform this year."

The Democrats put forth another compromise proposal on MSAs last week, but chances for an agreement were cast against an increasingly hostile election-year atmosphere that has brought legislating in the

Senate to a near standstill.

Nevada Sens. Harry Reid and Richard Bryan, both Democrats, angered Republicans last week when they blocked the 1997 defense spending bill to filibuster over legislation to set up temporary storage facilities for nuclear waste in their state.

"To my shock all of a sudden I found that everything was being blocked and I saw for the first time it looked to me like there was a planned gridlock in the Senate," said Lott, who took over as majority leader from GOP presidential candidate Bob Dole a month ago.

"We're not going to apologize for stopping extreme legislation," Daschle replied.

The two leaders have tried to maintain an image of civility, but Lott snapped at a Daschle comment that his support for ending taxpayer funding of the National Endowment for the Arts was an example of Republican extremism.

"I don't impugn Tom Daschle's integrity when he disagrees with me, but when he disagrees with me he calls it extremism," Lott said. "I don't appreciate his response."

Lott said attacks on Republicans are coming from the "looney left" in Congress who "have nothing really to say."

The GOP leader was somewhat more optimistic on an overhaul of the welfare system, saying "we're going to get it through the Senate in the next couple of weeks if the Democrats don't filibuster this, too."

President Clinton said Saturday that the Republicans' decision to meet Democratic demands and separate welfare from changes in the Medicaid health care system for the poor "can be a real breakthrough." He indicated willingness to sign welfare legislation.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

FAIN, Everett W. — 10 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Shamrock. Graveside services, 11:30 a.m., Fairview South Cemetery, Wellington.

PICKENS, Beulah (Babe) — Graveside services, 1 p.m., Douglas Union Cemetery, Douglas, Okla.

MILLS, William Donald (Don) — 11 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

EVERETT W. FAIN
 SHAMROCK - Everett W. Fain, 91, died Sunday, July 14, 1996. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the First United Methodist Church of Shamrock with the Rev. Ken Cole officiating. Graveside services will be at 11:30 a.m. in Fairview South Cemetery in Wellington. Burial will be under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Fain was born in Collingsworth County, son of a pioneering Collingsworth County family. He married Mary Lena Hill on Dec. 12, 1926, at Childress; she died in 1993. He moved from Lutie, Texas, to Shamrock in 1985. He had farmed and ranched all his life and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Wellington and the Farm Bureau. He attained the honor of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts.

Survivors include two daughters, Rhea Rhea Bailey of Shamrock and Betty Curl of Lago Vista; two grandchildren, Lajuanna Harder of Dallas and Dan Curl of Seagoville; and a great-grandchild, Kevin Harder of Dallas.

WINNIE D. FIELDING
 Winnie D. Fielding, 79, of Pampa, died Monday, July 15, 1996. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church with the Rev. Jake Clemmons, rector, officiating. The body was cremated and will not be available for viewing.

Mrs. Fielding was born Nov. 16, 1916, in Roberts County. She had been a resident of Pampa since the mid 1950s. She married Harry W. Fielding on July 18, 1958, at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Pampa; he died on Jan. 11, 1996. She was a homemaker. She was a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.

Survivors include a son, Bobby Perkins, of San Antonio, N.M.; a brother, John Thomas Hollis of Pampa; a grandson, Vernon Perkins of Aztec, N.M.; four great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.

NORA LEE HOOD
 BORGER - Nora Lee Hood, 77, sister of a Shamrock resident, died Saturday, July 13, 1996. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Keeler Baptist Church with the Rev. Leon Green officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Cemetery under the direction of Brown Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hood was a native of Granite, Okla., and had been a Borger resident for 52 years. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Odie Wade Hood, in 1979.

Survivors include two daughters, Karen Karr of Borger and Peaches Hood of Duncan, Okla.; two sons, Charles Hood of Garland and Dennis Hood of Borger; a brother, I.A. Brooks of Shamrock; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

WILLIAM DONALD (DON) MILLS
 FRITCH - William Donald (Don) Mills, 63, of Fritch, a former Skellytown resident, died Sunday, July 14, 1996. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. Lloyd Stice, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Fritch, and the Rev. Eddie Marcum, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Wolforth, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Mills was born Aug. 25, 1932, at Rush Springs, Okla. He was a White Deer High School graduate. He married Barbara Ann Lewis on May 24, 1956, at White Deer. He moved from Skellytown to Fritch in 1962 and worked for Phillips Petroleum, retiring in 1993 after 38 years of service. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Billy Dixon Masonic Lodge #1369 AF&AM in Fritch. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara, of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, Randy and Gail Mills of Spring and Curtis and Dana Mills of Fritch; two sisters, Oweta Cook of Skellytown and Carolyn Fitch of Longview; a brother, Ron Mills of Brenham; five granddaughters, Amy Mills, Lacey Mills and Mallory Mills, all of Fritch, and Stacey Mills and Kelley Mills, both of Spring; and a grandson, Chris Mills of Spring.

The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle or to the First United Methodist Church Memorial Fund.

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PICKENS, Beulah (Babe) — Graveside services, 1 p.m., Douglas Union Cemetery, Douglas, Okla.

MILLS, William Donald (Don) — 11 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 40-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, July 13
 A 22-year-old woman and child were reported assaulted by a beer bottle at 2 p.m. Saturday. They suffered bruises.

Theft was reported in the 300 block of North Ward which occurred between 3 and 5:30 p.m. Friday.

Theft by deception was reported in the 2100 block of North Hobart at 6:15 p.m. Saturday.

A white Maltese dog was reported stolen in the 900 block of South Nelson at 10 p.m. Friday.

Theft of a pickup was reported in the 2200 block of North Hobart which occurred between 7 and 8:32 p.m. Saturday.

SUNDAY, July 14
 A 22-year-old woman reported being kicked in the eyebrow in the parking lot at Clyde Carruth Pavilion at 1:40 a.m. Sunday. The cut required stitches.

A 20-year-old woman reported being slapped in the 400 block of North Wynne at 2:15 p.m. Sunday.

MONDAY, July 15
 An 18-year-old man reported assault by threat in the 1900 block of North Hobart at 12:15 a.m. Monday.

Injury to a child was reported in the 100 block of Albert at 3:04 a.m. Monday.

Arrests
SATURDAY, July 13
 Salvador Rodriguez, 18, was arrested one half mile west of the city limits on US 60 on a capias pro fine warrant.

SUNDAY, July 14
 Charles Wayne Jones, 23, 1031 N. Sumner, was arrested at 618 W. Foster on a charge of public intoxication and a Department of Public Safety warrant. He was transferred to county jail, where he was released on bond.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, July 13
 8:05 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility and transported two patients to Columbia Medical Center.

10:12 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Texas 273 for a mutual aid with McLean EMS and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

10:18 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport two patients to a local nursing facility.

12:06 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 100 block of South Russell on a medical assist and transported one patient to Golden Plains Hospital in Borger.

1:50 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of South Ballard on an injury and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

2:03 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the rodeo grounds on an injury and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

3:38 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 100 block of South Russell on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

5:41 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2700 block of North Hobart on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

10:31 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of North Wells on a medical assist. No patient was transported.

11 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of North Wells on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

SUNDAY, July 14
 10:08 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of North Summers on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

5:06 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the intersection of US 60 and US 70 on a motor vehicle accident and transported three patients to Columbia Medical Center.

MONDAY, July 15
 12:13 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 700 block of North Sumner on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SUNDAY, July 14
 10:07 a.m. - One unit and four personnel responded to 312 N. Zimmers on a medical assist.

12:38 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to 2201 N. Hobart on a structure fire.

3:35 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to the 1500 block of East Frederic on an investigation.

5:06 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to the intersection of US 60 and US 70 on a medical assist.

6:33 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to 737 Davis on a gas leak.

MONDAY, July 15
 5 a.m. - Two units and seven personnel responded to 712 N. Sumner on a smoke scare.

Calendar of events

TOASTMASTERS
 Toastmasters Club meets 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the dining room of Coronado Inn. For more information, call Daniel Silva at 669-6351 or Gary Casebier at 665-4212.

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

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS
 Celebration of Lights needs help painting, welding, sawing and tracing patterns for decorations every first, second and fourth Monday of the month. Volunteers should go to the old Bourland-Leverich building on South Barnes between 6 and 10 p.m.

Court report

COUNTY COURT
Criminal
 Joseph William Alvarado pleaded no contest to possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was assessed six months deferred adjudication probation, \$1,000 fine and \$135 court costs.

Brian Thomas Moseley pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana. He was assessed 12 months deferred adjudication probation, \$500 fine, \$135 court costs and \$140 restitution.

An order was entered extending the probation of Johnny Trujillo to Oct. 13.

An order was entered extending the probation of Michael Shane Campbell to Oct. 19, which allows time to pay remainder of fees.

An order was entered extending the probation of Roger Dale Flory to Oct. 26 because he is unemployed and needs time to pay fees of \$443.83.

An order was entered extending the probation of Steve Edmond Smith to Aug. 2 so he can complete 24 community service restitution hours.

Darrell Eugene Roland pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated, second offense. He was assessed \$750 fine, one year probation and \$210 court costs. The term is to run concurrent with Cause No. 22607 and credit time served toward mandatory 772 hours in jail.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of hindering a secured creditor against Leslie Marie Provence Politis because the complaining witness requested dismissal.

Jack Leroy Robinson pleaded guilty to assault causing bodily injury. He was assessed one year deferred adjudication probation, \$500 fine and 60 community service restitution hours.

Ronald Keith Furgerson pleaded no contest to possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was assessed 12 months deferred adjudication probation, \$800 fine, \$135 court costs, \$140 restitution and 80 CSR hours.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of theft of property by check against Eusebio Vela Jr. Court costs and restitution have been paid.

Orders were entered issuing alias capias warrants for the arrests of Greg Keith Lang, David Ruben Salazar, Leo Thomas Samuel, Abel Rios and Pedro Castillo Zubia on judgments nisi.

Marriage licenses issued
 Melburn Justin Manhart and Trudy Nanette Patton
 Jimmy Lavera Poole and Karrie Sue Waters
 David Wilson Lesher and Lorie Ann Caswell
 Leslie Thomas Leach and Terri Lea Tolbert

DISTRICT COURT
Civil
 Cheri Newman vs. Herschel Newman, protective order
 Rosie Copado vs. Gustavo Pena, protective order
 Leblentha R. Landers vs. Albertson's Inc., worker's comp
 Priscella Rivera Osby vs. Evelyn Lockwood, damages auto
 Shirley Haddican vs. Danny Pershall, protective order
 Linda Ellis vs. Justin Ellis, protective order

Divorces granted
 Terry Blaine Dougherty and Freddie Jo Dougherty
 Keri Nichol Munguia vs. Enrique Flores Munguia

Criminal
 An order was entered discharging Kevin Lynn Heiskell from probation.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of engaging in organized criminal activity against Erasmo Gonzales Jr. He was granted immunity in light of his testimony.

The judgment of the trial court was affirmed in the State vs. John Wayne Bonetsky by Court of Appeals for the Seventh District of Texas.

Obituaries

MARJORIE ANN SOUTHWARD
 HEREFORD - Marjorie Ann Southward, 77, died Saturday, July 13, 1996. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Rix Funeral Directors Chapel with Steve Bracken and H.W. Bartlett, minister of the Temple Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Friona Cemetery.

Mrs. Southward was born at Snyder, Okla. She was a graduate of Friona High School and of West Texas College at Canyon. She married James W. Southward

in 1946 at Clovis, N.M.; he died in 1990. She was a homemaker and a schoolteacher, having taught at Bluebonnet Elementary and Skellytown School.

Survivors include a daughter, Ann Kelley of Amarillo; a son, Chris Southward of Houston; a sister, Mary Kemp of Fritch; two brothers, Julius Bracken of Munday and C.W. "Brocks" Bracken of Friona; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79107.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the 72-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

FRIDAY, July 12
 3:35 p.m. - A 1978 Ford driven by William Mirt Luster, 70, 1033 S. Banks, was in collision with a legally parked 1993 Chevrolet pickup owned by Nicholas Lewis Brown, 1008 Neel Rd., in the 1000 block of South Banks. Luster was cited for backing without safety.

SATURDAY, July 13
 12:43 a.m. - A 1988 Chevrolet driven by Randall Wayne Anderson, 20, 744 E. Scott, was in collision with a fence owned by Skyla Bryant, 457 Pitts, in the 1000 block of East Frederic. Damage is estimated at \$1,000. Anderson was cited for no driver's license, leaving the scene of an accident and no financial responsibility.

1:05 p.m. - A 1984 Chevrolet driven by Vicente

Martinez, 63, 211 N. Wynne, was in collision with a 1993 Chevrolet pickup driven by Freeda Christian Whitson, 16, 845 E. Frederic, at the intersection of Houston and Francis. Martinez was cited for following too closely.

7 p.m. - An unknown vehicle was in collision with a 1996 GMC pickup owned by Sammy D. Giddeon, Skellytown, at Recreation Park.

SUNDAY, July 14
 5:04 p.m. - A 1991 Lincoln driven by Irene Sailor Shearer, 65, Miami, was in collision with a 1987 Mercury driven by Betty Bagwell Goldsmith, 52, 1045 Cinderella, and a 1985 Chevrolet pickup driven by Pauline Donna Wildcat, 24, 328 N. Sumner, at the intersection of West Wilks and South Hobart. Shearer was cited for disregarding a stop and go signal. Goldsmith, Wildcat and Raenie Dawn Wildcat, 1, were taken via Rural/Metro to Columbia Medical Center, where they were treated and released.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests in the 40-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

Arrests
SATURDAY, July 13
 Daniel Vargas, 35, 201 E. Thut, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication. He was released on bond.

Gary Wayne Jernigan, 29, 925 S. Hobart, was arrested on a charge of violation of probation.

Michael Farris Young, 20, 506 N. Nelson, was

arrested on a capias pro fine warrant. He paid fines and was released.

Department of Public Safety
 Julie Vann Maul, 25, 1500 N. Sumner, was arrested on a charge of theft. She was released on bond.

SUNDAY, July 14
 William Eugene Sharpton, 21, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was released on bond.

Bobby Kieth Nichols, 31, 600 N. Dwight, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended. He was released on bond.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Partly cloudy tonight with a low near 75 and south winds to 15 mph. Tuesday, sunny with a high near 95 and gusty south winds to 20 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy and hot with a high near 102 and a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Sunday's high was 80; the overnight low was 63. Pampa received 0.11 inch of moisture in the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. Sunday.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, a slight chance of thunderstorms northwest, otherwise mostly clear north, partly cloudy south. Lows in mid 60s to low 70s. Tuesday, becoming partly sunny and breezy. A slight chance of late afternoon thunderstorms central and west. Highs 90 to 97. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows from mid 60s to low 70s. Tuesday, partly cloudy and breezy. Highs in mid 90s.

North Texas - Tonight, clear to partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms south. Lows 70 to 75. Tuesday, mostly sunny with highs 94 to 98.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of

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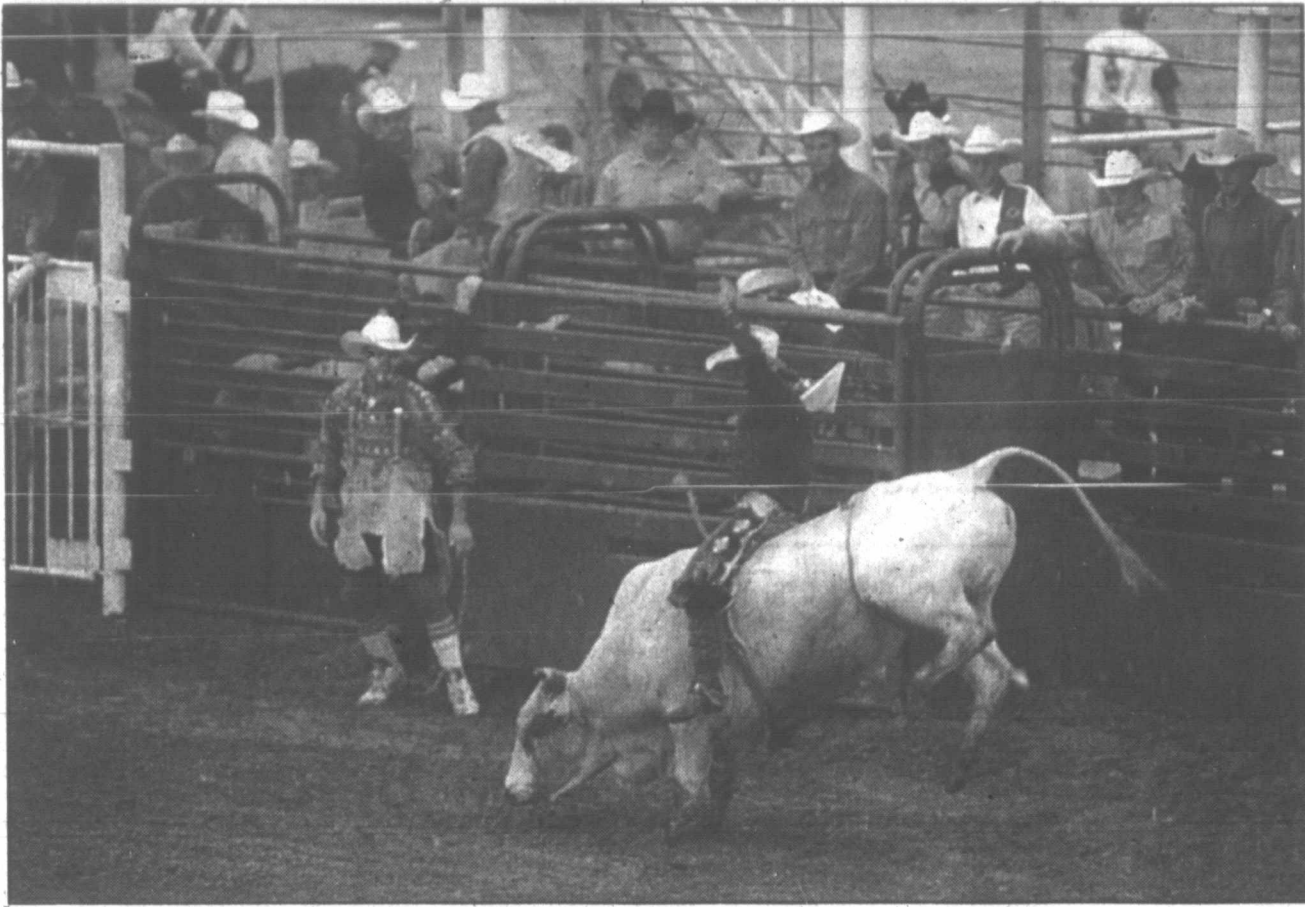
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		Wal-Mart	23 3/4 dn 1/8
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		Silver	5.02
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Royce Jennings of Wingate, Texas, holds on for a successful ride in Friday night's first round of bull riding, taking the top spot in the round with 74 points in Top O' Texas Rodeo action.

(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

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Rodeo

Wrangler Bullfight (sponsored by Wayne's Western Wear and Bowers Ranch): 1. Frank Newsome, 80 points. 2. Lionel St. Pierre, 77. 3. Ronnie Sparks, 76.

Overall winners of the 1996 Top of Texas Rodeo include:

Bareback Bronc Riding (sponsored by First Bank of the Southwest):

1. Troy Thomson, Westlake, 80 points.
2. D.J. Johnson, Hutchinson, Kan., 79.
3. Beau Mayo, Stephenville, 78.
4. Tie - Justin Moore, Stephenville, and Craig Gatlin, Whitney, 75.

Saddle Bronc Riding (sponsored by Dorman Tire and Service Company): 1. Matt Reed, El Dorado, Kan., 79. 2. Tie - Cory Hughes, Preston, Kan., and Travis Griffin, Tularosa, N.M., 78. 4. Phillip Haugen,

Weatherford, Okla., 76.

Bull Riding (sponsored by National Bank of Commerce): 1. Wayne Tasaka, Dodge City, Kan., 85 points. 2. Gary Robinson, Greenville, Texas, 82. 3. Joaquin Garza, Marion, Texas, 81. 4. Clayton Johnson, Pine Bluff, Ark., 80. 5. Tie - Michael Gaffney, Lubbock, and Cory McFadden, Crane, 78.

Calf Roping (sponsored by Larry Baker Plumbing): 1. Brent Lewis, Pinon, N.M., 9.3 seconds. 2. James Zant, Harper, Texas, 9.8. 3. Tie - Dixon McGowan, Yukon, Okla., and Clyde Himes, Stanton, 10.2. 5. Randy McEntire, Sweetwater, Okla., 10.4.

Steer Wrestling (sponsored by Northgate Inn): 1. Shawn Johnson, Checotah, Okla., 4.2 seconds. 2. Brent Lewis, Pinon, N.M. 5.1. 3. Spud Duvall, Checotah, 5.2. 4. Kendall Bolding, Yukon, Okla., 5.4. 5. Mark Owen,

Oologah, Okla., 5.6.

Barrel Race (sponsored by Bowers Ranch): 1. Colette Baier, Hardtner, Kan., 17.14 seconds. 2. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz., 17.53. 3. Tacy Lynn Johnson, Henryetta, Okla., 17.88. 4. Cindy Smith, Hobbs, N.M., 18.08. 5. Alicia Karr, Amarillo, 18.12.

Steer Roping (sponsored by Frank Johnson Trucking Company): 1. Jimmy Hodge, 11.0 seconds. 2. Rocky Garnett, 11.6. 3. Dixon McGowan, 11.7. 4. Tie - Jim Davis and De Lynn Jones, 11.8. 6. Tie - Lionel Burns and Mark Milner, 12.1.

Second-Go-Round: 1. Kelly Casebolt, 9.4 seconds. 2. Tie - De Lynn Jones and Bucky Hefner, 10.5. 4. Vance Vest, 10.6. 5. C.A. Lauer, 11.2.

Average: 1. De Lynn Jones, 22.3 seconds. 2. Dixon McGowan, 22.3. 3. Vance Vest, 23.9. 4. Jim Davis, 24.0. 5. Doug Clark, 24.1.

Kid Pony

"We were all in Beaver Saturday, where Trenton made his 18.8 time in barrel racing, setting him second in his division for the entire summer. He and his horse, Rocky, make a good team," said Mr. Packard.

"When I grow up I want my own ranch, and I will rodeo, too," Trenton said. He feels like a pro at age seven, because of his four-year stint in rodeo.

Tanner has been in the saddle since he was two years old. At the ripe age of five, he feels pretty secure about his life.

"I guess I'll be a doctor when I grow up, and I'll be one of them that flies a helicopter," Tanner said astride his horse, Superman.

He's not sure just what kind of doctor he will be - just that he will own a helicopter and have a horse, too.

Wade and Jenny Helton are the parents of Logan, 6. Logan is a long-time rodeo performer, having been at it since age two. He hopes to continue in his father's footsteps as a rodeo competitor.

"Every weekend we are at least two or three rodeos - at least one event for me, and another event for Logan before we return home," Mr. Helton said.

Michael Longo, the father of two Keeley, 7, and Karra, 9, said his girls have been riding and performing in the Kid Pony Shows and other amateur rodeos since they were three years old. He and their mother, Sonja, work with the girls and try to help them stay ready for competition.

"But we are supportive of our girls and make ourselves available to assist them in all their activities," he said.

"The girls really enjoy all of it - it is their favorite sport and rodeo activities take priority," Longo said.

Keeley and Karra participated in the Beaver, Okla., junior rodeo event the previous Saturday, and plan to compete in the finals, Longo added.

Results

Results from Sunday's Kid Pony Show, groups I and II.

Stick horse race, boys group I - Tanner Packard, first; Keenan Lott, second; Brian Jones, third.

Stick horse race, girls group I - Amanda Loya, first; Chelsie Douglas, second; Melissa McCormick, third.

Goat ribbon race, boys group I - Tanner Packard, first; Hayden Duncan, second; Wakely Pairsh, third.

Goat ribbon race, girls group I - Amanda Loya, first; Chelsie Douglas, second; Jamie Pergeson, third.

Flag race, boys group II - Austin Pritchett, first; Tanner Cochran, second; Jeston Mead, third.



Garrett Duvall of White Deer rides his sheep in Friday night's Mutton Busting event as one of the rodeo clowns keeps watch on him. Garrett took first place in his event, as part of the Top O' Texas Rodeo event.

(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Flag race, girls group II - Jason Welty, first; Jake Keeley Longo, first; Chelsie Luster, second; Bridget Craig, third.

Calf riding, group III - Austin Morton, first; Jamey Miller, second; Hawk Tucker, third.

Golfette, boys group I - Tanner Packard, first; Tyrel Dooley, second.

Golfette, girls group I - Tristen Reeves, first; Jamie Pergeson, second; Tyler Victoria O'Neal, third.

Golfette, boys group II - Jeston Mead, first; Trevor Dooley, second.

Golfette, girls group II - Chelsie Luster, first; Kalyann Jones, second; Kaylee Anderson, third.

Barrel race, boys group I - Tanner Packard, first; Keenan Lott, second; Tyrel Dooley, third.

Barrel race, girls group I - Tristen Reeves, first; Chelsie Douglas, second; Melissa McCormick, third.

Barrel race, boys group II - Trenton Packard, first; Logan Helton, second; Jeston Mead, third.

Barrel race, girls group II - Keeley Longo, first; Jessica Schmidt, second; Jordan Webb, third.

Walk and lead barrel race, group I - Hayden Duncan, first; Shelby Blake Robinson, second; Lane Hall, third.

Calf riding, group II - Keeley Longo, first; Callie Gonzales, second; Jeston Mead, third.

Results from groups III and IV:

Flag race, girls group III - Amanda Cruse, first; Karra Longo, second; Savanna Shipp, third.

Flag race, boys group III - Taylor Reeves, first; Chase Phillips, second; Tyler Lane, third.

Flag race, girls group IV - Callie Bichsel, first; Kelly Tripplehorn, second; Michelle Taylor, third.

Flag race, boys group IV - Curtis Pritchett, first; Hayden Hawley, second; Matt Cruse, third.

Bull riding, group IV - Cody Jenkins, first; Bobby Annas, second; Steve Bowen, third.

Saudi prince opposes moving U.S. troops, says security already has been tightened

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) - Saudi Arabia's defense minister is opposing U.S. plans to move American soldiers in the kingdom to safer housing, despite pleas from the Pentagon.

Prince Sultan said security has been tightened for American personnel in Saudi Arabia following the June 25 bombing of a U.S. military housing complex in Dhahran that killed 19 U.S. servicemen and injured hundreds of people.

He appeared to be responding to remarks made last week by Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon, who said it was virtually certain that some of the 1,500 U.S. troops based in Riyadh, the Saudi capital, will be moved to Saudi bases more easily defended against terrorists.

But the move would require the cooperation of the Saudi government, and Prince Sultan said Sunday that he would oppose it.

"This (move) is not correct (because) security has been achieved, the rule of law prevails, and incidents that happen in our country now are only one out of a million compared to what happens in other countries," he said.

His comments came during a

visit to Saudi Arabia by FBI Director Louis J. Freeh to try to resolve differences after the bombing in Dhahran in eastern Saudi Arabia.

In addition to the clash over housing for the U.S. troops, the governments are at odds over the FBI's insistence that it be granted access to all evidence collected on the bombing. That evidence includes the car used in the attack - Saudi government sources revealed only Sunday that it had been recovered.

U.S. law enforcement officials in Washington have said they are being hampered in their efforts to conduct a full investigation, and Freeh has been pressing Saudi officials to let the FBI talk with Saudi witnesses and anyone detained for questioning in the attack.

But so far, they have not been granted that kind of access by Saudi authorities.

The Saudi government sources, speaking Sunday on condition of anonymity, said they had found the getaway car used by the bombers a few days after the attack. The white Chevrolet Caprice Classic was found in

Dammam, six miles from Dhahran, they said.

The car, which had been gray but apparently was painted white before the bombing, was reported stolen a few weeks before the explosion, the sources said.

There was no explanation as to why authorities did not disclose the discovery of the car until now. Newspapers in the region also had reported at the time that witnesses gave Saudi investigators a "good description" of two of the bombers. But so far no arrests have been reported.

The explosion was caused by a fuel truck rigged with a bomb. The truck was stolen from a Saudi contracting company days before the explosion, the sources said.

The men had parked the fuel truck close to a tower block housing the American soldiers, then fled in the automobile moments before the blast, which destroyed the building.

Meanwhile, a U.S. Embassy source in Riyadh said Americans living in the kingdom have received phone calls threatening attacks. The callers have spoken Arabic and broken English, the source said.

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Opinion

World fortunes closely linked

In earlier days, Americans — especially those on the political left — were terribly concerned about the plight of Third World peoples. Many politicians and activists railed against the huge disparities between our nation's wealth and the living conditions of people living in developing countries.

An interesting essay in London's *Economist* shows just how differently Americans tend to view the Third World these days. Liberals and many conservatives are still worried about the world's poor. But their main worry is that low-paid workers in places like Mexico, Burma, Albania and China threaten the standard of living of blue-collar Americans.

"For years the North wrung its hands about poverty in the developing countries, and asked what could be done to relieve those countries' misery," the *Economist* wrote.

"Now, for the most part, the North no longer feels guilty about its wealth, or anxious to see the South do better; rather, it feels anxious about its wealth, and would prefer on the whole (but off the record) that the South stayed poor."

The *Economist* believes such zero-sum economic thinking is a recipe for disaster — for workers in both impoverished and affluent lands. "The lessons of experience, and all we know about economic principles, teach that when poor countries grow richer, it is not at rich countries' expense."

In other words, it is not only possible, but a time-proven principle, that nations can grow wealthy together. But a skeptic is sure to ask: "If that's so, why has the gap between rich and poor nations grown wider than ever?"

The *Economist* believes "advanced technology and accumulated capital" propel wealthy nations further ahead, while poor nations stagnate by continuing to follow faulty economic principles. By adopting market-oriented policies, the same opportunities are available to even the most impoverished lands.

Admittedly, this is quite simplistic. It's difficult to talk about capital formation, property rights and low taxes in lands engulfed in civil war, facing hunger and decimated by natural disasters. But more often than not, the nations that struggle are those that ignore free-market advice and opt instead for central planning, tyrannical regimes and socialist redistribution of resources.

"There is no reason whatever why other poor countries should not aspire to the remarkable progress witnessed in East Asia," the *Economist* wrote. "Indeed, the process may have started. Many developing countries — Mexico and India among them — have lately begun to liberalize their economic policies."

As these nations become stronger economically — and less reliant on U.S. handouts — America will gain better trading partners and watch its workers' standard of living increase. Helping poor nations help themselves through open markets is also a better moral approach.

The conditions of workers in the Third World and America can improve together. We all must remember: One nation's economic gain is not another's economic loss.

Media hypocrisy rises to the fore

Gary Aldrich, the former FBI agent-turned-author of *Unlimited Access*, has delivered a critical in-sight view of the Clinton White House. Aldrich's most sensational charge — that Clinton sneaks out of the White House for trysts — has not been substantiated, and reporters were very quick to denounce him for that. Networks even dropped planned interviews with him, echoing the George Stephanopoulos line that guests meet a "bare threshold of credibility."

My, my. How virtuous, how professional our mainstream press has all of a sudden become now that the target is Clinton. But when anonymous sources and unsubstantiated charges are used to attack conservatives, it's a very different story. Let's briefly review some of the players on the Aldrich bookings list:

Nightline begged off, claiming Aldrich would be old news a day after he appeared on *This Week* with David Brinkley. But this is the program that forwarded (a) the charge of an anonymous Jewish source who claimed Pat Buchanan's allegedly bigoted little brothers beat him up a few decades ago (Feb. 23, 1996); (b) the claims of Iranian arms dealers attacking George Bush over the collapsing "October Surprise" story eleven years after the "fact" (June 20, 1991); and (c) unsubstantiated and conflicting stories about the number of *Playboy* centerfolds in Justice Clarence Thomas's bachelor pad in the 1980s (Nov. 2, 1994).

Dateline NBC backed out as well. Because the story was unsavory? But *Dateline* anchor Stone Phillips didn't hesitate to ask George Bush if he had an affair (Aug. 11, 1992). Because there was no proof? But *Dateline* anchor Tom Brokaw didn't hesitate to tell the unsubstantiated story of Newt Gingrich approaching first wife Jackie's hospital bed with divorce terms (Nov. 13, 1994). Because it



L. Brent Bozell

was mere gossip? But NBC aired three straight morning interviews featuring Kitty Kelley (Aug. 8-10, 1991), telling absurd stories about the Reagans, like Nancy's supposed White House affair with Frank Sinatra.

CNN's *Larry King Live* backed down on Aldrich (though it did interview his publisher, Al Regnery). Producer Wendy Whitworth told *The Washington Times* she couldn't put on the "unsubstantiated" charges. That standard apparently doesn't apply to CNN reporters like Mary Tillotson, who disrupted a major press conference with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin by asking George Bush if he had an affair with Jennifer Fitzgerald (Aug. 11, 1992). The same applies to CNN's Judy Woodruff, who also passed on the Gingrich hospital bed-divorce story, simply calling it "part of the Gingrich legend" (Dec. 17, 1995). CNN was the first network to jump on the *Vanity Fair* article by Gail Sheehy detailing sexual allegations against Newt Gingrich and then repeated the stories twice the next day (Aug. 8-9, 1995).

Of course, CBS shouldn't escape scrutiny simply because they flat-out refused to book Aldrich. When Joseph and Susan Trento claimed the late Ambassador Louis Fields claimed George Bush

had an affair with Jennifer Fitzgerald and their "source" was conveniently dead, it was good enough for *CBS This Morning* to put Trento on the air (Aug. 12, 1992). On March 2, 1989, *CBS Evening News* charged Defense Secretary nominee John Tower of alcohol abuse and female-fondling, using as their sole source Bob Jackson, who had been discharged from the military for "mixed personality disorder and anti-social and hysterical features."

And then there's Anita Hill. She not only had no evidence to back her devastating charges of sexual harassment against Clarence Thomas, but all the evidence — including the testimony of every witness who knew them both — suggested a cruel fabrication on her part. The networks' reaction? Dozens upon dozens of unchecked stories, and most of them gave her the benefit of the doubt.

Three years later, reporters Jill Abramson and Jane Mayer used precisely these kinds of sloppily sourced and uncorroborated allegations in their Thomas-bashing book, *Strange Justice*. Every network not only interviewed them, not only asked them softball questions — they agreed to the authors' demands that no one opposing them be allowed to appear on the air with them. Such is the treatment given by the networks to liberals who attack conservatives.

The print media are also shameless in their hypocrisy. Of Kitty Kelley's Nancy Reagan book, Eleanor Clift wrote: "If privacy ends where hypocrisy begins, Kitty Kelley's steamy expose of Nancy Reagan is a contribution to contemporary history." Her colleague Jonathan Alter added: "Of course there are some mistakes in it... The point, however, is that Kelley's portrait is not essentially untrue." Gary Aldrich could only pray for this kind of treatment. But he is not a liberal.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, July 15, the 197th day of 1996. There are 169 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 15, 1870, Georgia became the last of the Confederate states to be readmitted to the Union.

On this date:

In 1606, the Dutch painter Rembrandt was born in Leiden, Netherlands.

In 1916, Boeing Co., originally known as Pacific Aero Products, was

founded in Seattle by William Boeing. In 1918, the Second Battle of the Marne began during World War I.

In 1948, President Truman was nominated for another term of office at the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia.

In 1964, Senator Barry M. Goldwater of Arizona was nominated for president at the Republican National Convention in San Francisco.

In 1965, U.S. scientists displayed close-up photographs of the planet Mars taken by the spacecraft Mariner 4.

In 1971, President Nixon announced he would visit the People's Republic of China to seek a "normalization of relations."

In 1975, three American astronauts blasted off aboard an Apollo spaceship hours after two Soviet cosmonauts were launched aboard a Soyuz spacecraft for a mission that included a linkup of the two ships in orbit.

In 1976, a 36-hour kidnap ordeal began for 26 schoolchildren and their bus driver as they were abduct-

ed near Chowchilla, Calif., by three gunmen and imprisoned in an underground cell. (The captives escaped unharmed.)

In 1979, President Carter delivered a speech in which he lamented what he called a "crisis of confidence" in America.

In 1985, a gaunt-looking Rock Hudson appeared at a news conference in Monterey, Calif., with actress Doris Day to promote her cable television program. (It was later revealed Hudson was suffering from AIDS.)

Peace process in Israel one sided

To hear the U.S. press tell it, Israel's recent election was a defeat for the forces of enlightenment and peace and a victory for ancient antagonism and war.

The buildup to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's visit to the United States was reported skeptically by newspapers like *The New York Times*. A front page story noted that Netanyahu had said he intends to continue negotiations with the Palestinian Authority, "but he has cautioned with the conditions that leave unclear whether the Palestinians will find any reason to keep talking."

This is typical of the treatment Netanyahu has received from the American press. The assumption is always that peace or war lies in Israel's hands and depends only on Israeli willingness to give up land. Let's consider that notion.

The Palestinians may find little reason to keep talking? All the Palestinians have done to date is talk. They have talked to the Americans, the Europeans and the Israelis. And when it comes to fulfilling terms of the Oslo agreements, the Palestine Liberation Organization has produced more talk. Since the famous "handshake" on the White House lawn three years ago, more Israeli civilians have died at the hands of Arab terrorists than in the whole history of the Israeli state.

This is what the Clinton administration has been pleased to call "peace." And, as Charles Krauthammer has noted in the *Weekly Standard*, more important than the attacks themselves — mostly bombings of innocent men, women and children on city buses — was the reaction of the Palestinian people to them. If the bombings had been met with outrage and remorse — the way Israel reacted — an Israeli gunman, Baruch Goldstein, massacred more than a score of Palestinians at prayer several years ago — it would have signified that the Palestinian people were truly ready for peace with Israel.

But the Palestinians did not react that way. When the "engineer," the mastermind of the bus bombings that killed 35 Israeli civilians, was



Mona Charen

buried, it sparked the largest rally in the history of the Palestinian people. Yasser Arafat hailed him as a "martyr."

The "peace process" cannot be a one-way street. There must be give and take. So far, the Israelis have done all the giving. The Oslo accords required Israel to give up the Gaza Strip, grant political recognition to the PLO and give autonomy to the PLO on the West Bank. All of these Israel has done.

The Palestinians were required to do only two things: cease terrorism against Israel and alter the PLO charter to change the words calling for Israel's destruction. Terrorism has obviously not ceased, nor has the PLO demonstrated good faith about curbing it. According to the *Jerusalem Times*, a pro-PLO Arab newspaper, "scores" of Hamas terrorists have been released from PLO jails since April. According to Israeli Army Radio, Yasser Arafat has recently reiterated his refusal to "hand over anyone to Israel or any other country." The Oslo accords specifically require the Palestinian Authority to honor Israeli extradition requests.

The Clinton administration, more fond of the Oslo process than the parties themselves, guarantees \$500 million in annual aid to the PLO — provided the PLO keeps its promise to stamp out terrorism.

Not only has the PLO not kept its word about controlling terrorists who kill Israelis, it has even declined to help the United States

find and punish those who kill Americans.

The government of Saudi Arabia is taking some well-deserved heat for declining American requests to upgrade security around the housing for our soldiers. The Saudis also declined to let the FBI interrogate the four terrorists who were executed for a bombing last November. The PLO is doing the identical thing.

In April 1995, American citizen Alissa Flatow was murdered by Arab terrorists in the PLO-controlled Gaza Strip. But when the FBI expressed a desire to send agents to investigate the murder, Rashid Abu-Shibak, deputy commander of the PLO security service, said the PLO would not permit the FBI into Gaza.

As for changing its charter, PLO has played games, sending the matter to a committee and generally dodging and weaving.

Those are the realities that confront the new prime minister as he searches for peace — not the recalcitrance of the Israeli people.

Over the course of several weeks before the publication of *Unlimited Access*, I had discussions with Gary Aldrich. I believed, wrongly, it now turns out, that he had good, if unnamed, sources for the story about the Marriott Hotel. He was very friendly with the Secret Service. I checked on one aspect of the story by phoning the Marriott concierge. She confirmed that it is possible, as the book states, to go directly to rooms from the underground garage without passing through the lobby. I was chagrined to learn that Aldrich's source appears to have been a journalist who was merely passing along gossip. I am very sorry to have included that item in my column. My standards are higher than that, and this departure from them leaves me feeling abashed.

On the other hand, I still believe that the 80 percent of the book which was based on Aldrich's own experiences is true and reliable. He showed poor judgment by rushing into print with rumors, but he is definitely not a liar.

What are Victor Morales' qualifications?

Political actions have unlooked-for consequences, good ones as well as bad. An immense benefit gushing from Texas Democrat Victor Morales' campaign for the U.S. Senate is that it immunizes the minds of Mesquite, Texas, government students.

Before trumping the bids of two Democratic congressmen who sought to challenge U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, the then-unknown Morales taught high school government. A considered look at the Morales campaign suggests that government, of all subjects, may be the one he knows least about.

Ignorance and ambivalence compete to undermine Morales' command of most topics that might be expected to engage the voters' attention. True, the Senate no longer is where you look, as in the days of Webster, Clay and Calhoun, for lofty political discourse. On the other hand, you expect job applicants to present some minimal credentials.

National as well as Texas Democrats seem exuberant concerning Morales' credentials — the famous white pickup truck in which he waged his "Everyman campaign," his Hispanic identity, the prospect of his beating a high-and-mighty ex-candidate for the Republican presidential nomination. Hot dog, wouldn't that take the cake? Still, we might expect Morales to know something about the job he seeks.

To know, for example, about the budget. How do we reduce the national debt? the candidate was asked by *Texas Monthly*. "Here we go," Morales replied. "I don't know."

Well, what about a balanced budget amend-



William Murchison

ment? "Political fluff," Morales opined last winter. He doesn't know whether to cut the U.S. Department of Education because in April, he confessed not to know what job the department performs. Three days later, he recanted. His mind, it seemed, had gone "somewhere else."

Moreover, he confessed to the Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, "I'm weak in the business issues because I have not talked to a lot of people in the business sector."

He must not have talked with many people about Medicare and Social Security either. The answers to the financial problems of these two great federal support systems "don't exist in this brain of mine," he revealed last April. Affirmative action writings from Morales the admission: "I'm a supporter even though I know it's abused." He feels the same way about welfare.

Morales doesn't have "any formulated plans" for serving in the Senate. "What I have is life experiences." Platforms are merely "generalities that don't mean a hill of beans."

When Morales veers over into hot-button social issues, he makes clear he would join the Senate's Kennedy bloc. To one degree or another — accounts differ — he supports abortion. Sex education is fine with him. Likewise, the Brady gun-control bill. The government should go on funding the arts. The capacious heart of Victor Morales "does not allow me to shut the door to people who are illegal aliens."

All this high-minded political science, and much more, government students in Mesquite will miss out on this fall, unless they have the bad luck to watch TV or read the papers. However, as the campaign heats up, Morales may concentrate his fire on his opponent, Gramm, whom he has called "bad to the bone," "a man who I think is abusing his office."

The trouble here could be that Gramm is smart to the bone (besides being at least as honest as his opponent, who owes the federal government \$22,000 for his wife's unpaid student loans). Gramm knows his political, economic and philosophical okra. Morales, by contrast, seems more than anything else dazed by the feat of actually winning the senatorial nomination.

Democrats, hoping to regain control of Congress, are underwriting that hope with big bucks. The hope rests partly on Bill Clinton's apparent rejuvenation, partly on Democratic House and Senate candidates who possibly are less divorced from reality than Victor Morales. But Texas is a big place. If in such a place Victor Morales is the best the Democrats can do, nothing at all is predetermined about this election. Nothing.

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Long Hair And Full Beard Hide Honey Of A Husband

DEAR ABBY: I had to write in response to "Available in Maine." Girls, if you know this man, or any man like him, grab him! If I didn't know better, I would have sworn you were describing my husband.

I work full time as a schoolteacher and he stays home with our four children. He not only takes excellent care of the kids, he also cleans the house and runs our small farm. The only thing he can't do is cook.

Abby, I just had to tell the ladies out there that there are some absolute gems among men; however, they may not look like a magazine cover. My husband is the most wonderful, patient, loving, generous man a woman could want, but most women wouldn't take the time to find out because of his appearance.

He has very long hair and a full beard and mustache; therefore most people think he is a criminal, a "biker" or some kind of unsavory character. It's a shame more people don't get to know what a really great guy he is. You may use my name.

KIT CONNALLY,
LONE OAK, TEXAS

DEAR KIT: A man can wear his hair down to his shoulders as well as a full beard and mustache, but if it's shampooed and trimmed regularly, he can look like a magazine ad. Besides, you can't judge a book by its cover.



Abigail Van Buren
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: I received an engraved invitation that has me more than a little puzzled. The invitation is to a "commitment ceremony" for two men, followed by a reception at a swanky downtown hotel.

I have been friendly with one of these men for more than 30 years. Only recently he told me he is gay. I do not want to do anything that would offend him, and I have indicated that I will attend the ceremony and reception.

I have no idea of the protocol for such an occasion. While it's not a wedding per se, that is the idea. Do

I take a gift? If so, what kind of gift is appropriate? The parties involved are highly successful businessmen — one is a magazine editor, the other a prominent lawyer. They don't need a blender.

This is a first for me. I want to express my respect for the union my friend and his partner are forming.

What would you do, Abby?
MINNEAPOLIS READER

DEAR READER: I would treat their "commitment ceremony" as though it were a wedding, because that is what it is to them and those who care about them.

Yes, do send a gift. Something for their home would be nice.

DEAR ABBY: I have heard (and known) about showers for the bride for a long time, but never have I heard about any shower to benefit the groom. Just recently I was surprised to receive an invitation to a "tool" shower for my grandson who is engaged and will soon receive his degree in construction management.

I thought this was a great idea. Surely this is an idea that should be more popular. It would benefit all future grooms.

J.H.S. IN TEXAS

DEAR J.H.S.: While bridal showers and showers for the couple are more common, showers for the groom are not unheard of. I'm sure many brides would cheer if the common (and frequently offensive to them) stag party were replaced by a more practical shower for the groom.

what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you are truly determined to achieve a specific objective today, you will succeed, but you must not doubt your capability.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Information pertaining to a confidential issue should be restricted to the people who are directly involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You might have an opportunity today to do something constructive to strengthen an important relationship. Take advantage of this favorable trend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You may receive acknowledgment or a reward as a result of a recent effort. This accolade will fit your expectations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Treat today's events philosophically, even when dealing with serious matters. When your mind-set is positive, you will get better results.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Try to

take on more management responsibilities today in a collective arrangement. Both you and your partner can benefit from this.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In order to get others to support your interests today, you must first be willing to cooperate. Everything will be done on a quid-pro-quo basis.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You can handle your commercial affairs more effectively today than you will be able to tomorrow. Keep this in mind when you arrange your agenda.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today you can direct others without acting in a dictatorial manner. Let your effectiveness determine your behavior.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) An opportunity of a limited nature might come your way today via a concerned associate. Treat this opportunity with respect.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Handle your most difficult assignments early in the day. Both your drive and expectations might diminish later in the day.

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Horoscope



Your Birthday

Tuesday, July 16, 1996

Success is indicated in the year ahead if you finish old projects before tackling new ones. Try to remain patient and stick to your timetable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Strive for fairness in your business situations today, but also be realistic and firm. Specify your terms, but make concessions when necessary. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand



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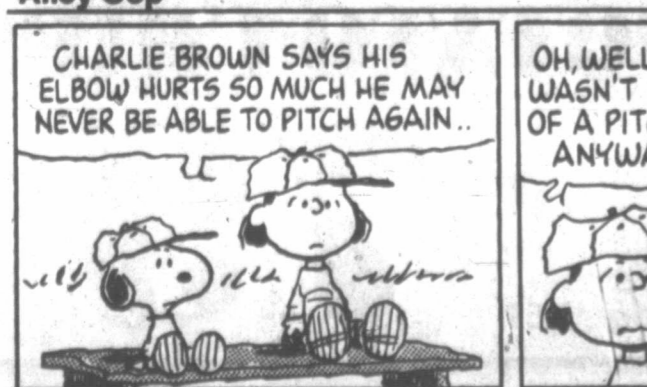
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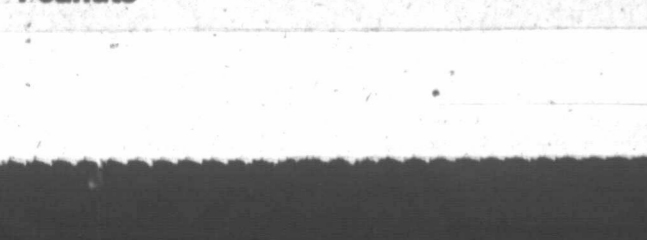
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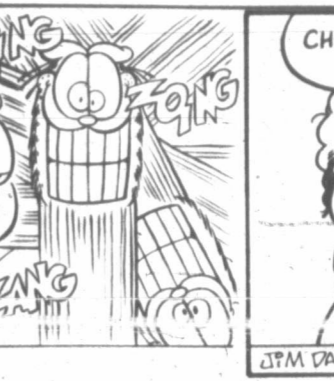
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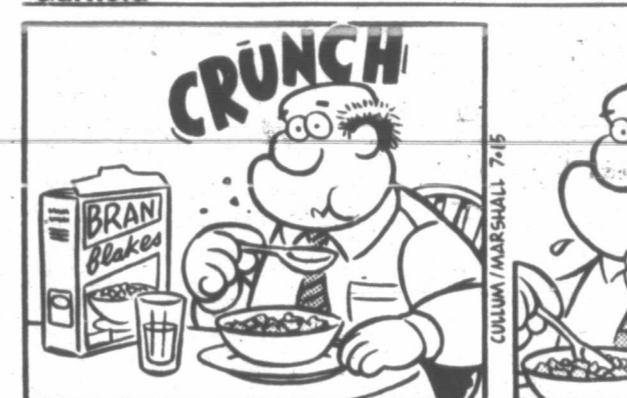
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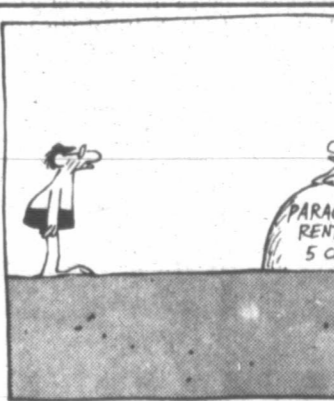
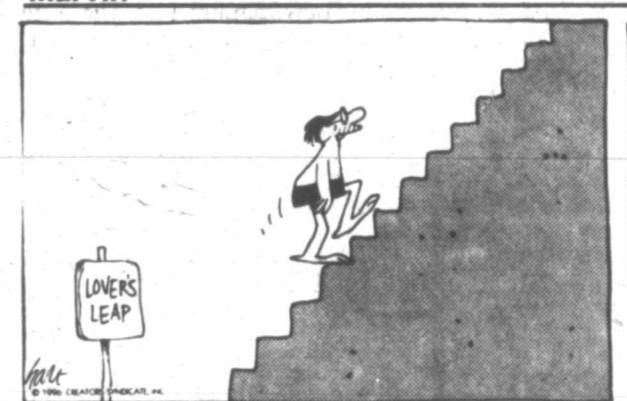
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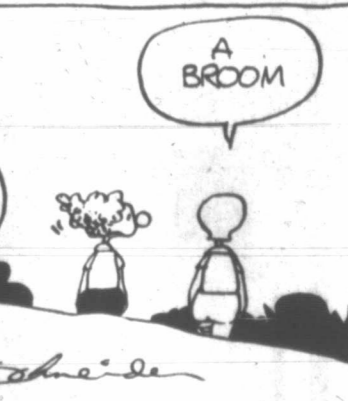
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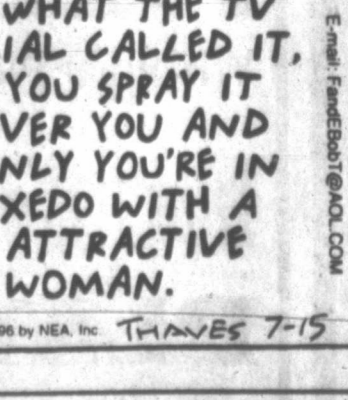
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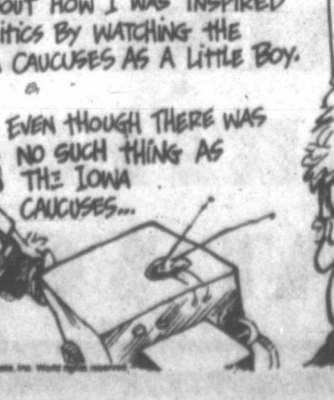
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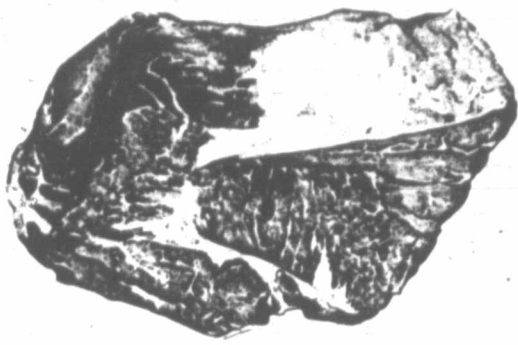


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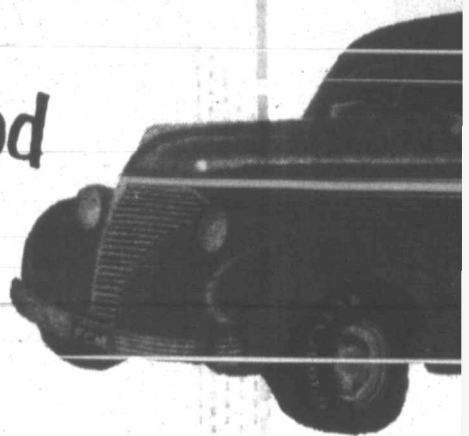
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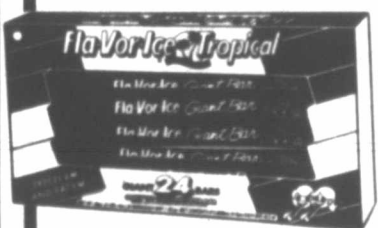
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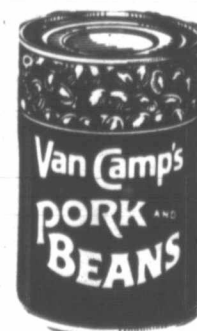
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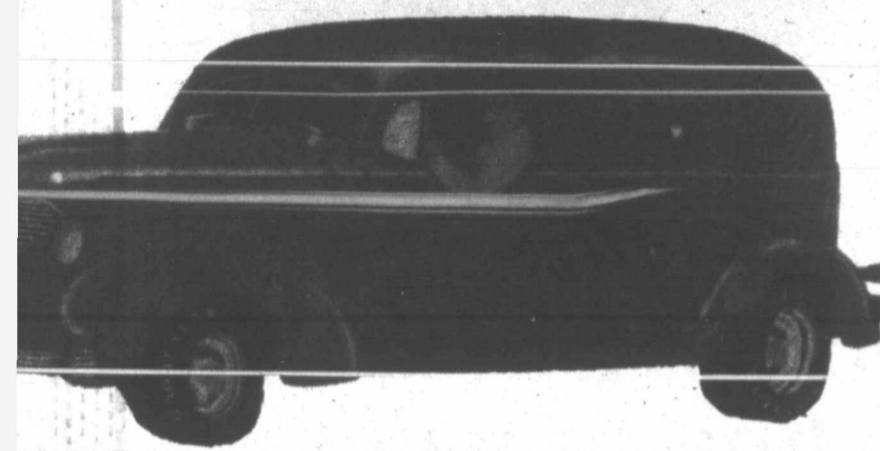


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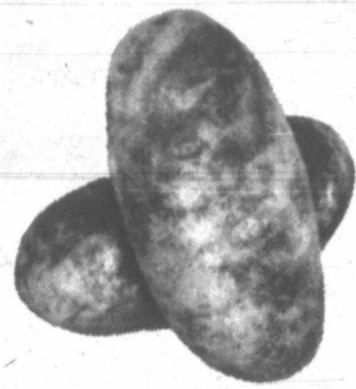
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Sports

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AUTO RACING

ALENCON, France (AP) — Four people were killed and 23 injured Sunday when a race car went out of control and flew into a crowd of spectators. Witnesses said Belgian Joe Sterkens, 42, racing in the Inter-Nations Cup, hit a bump and lost control, sending his car hurtling into the crowd. The race was immediately stopped.

GOLF

PAMPA — Final results in the North Texas Junior Foundation Tour of Champions over the weekend at the Pampa County Club are listed below:

Girls
1. Sarah Valdez, 89-77-166;
2. Sterling Seward, 87-80-167; 3. Heather Basford, Vega, 88-84-172.

Boys
1. Zack Norrell, 73-73-146;
2. Jeff Grace, 74-73-147;
3. Patrick Schaffler, 79-72-151.

Listed below are the final results of the Pampa Country Club Championships held Saturday and Sunday.

MEN'S DIVISION

Championship flight
Gross: 1. Dan Nicolet 65-74-139; 2. Phil Everson, 74-75-149; 3. Doug McFatridge, 75-74-149; Net: 1. Barry Terrell, 66-69-135; 2. Richard Mackie, 68-70-138; 3. Scott White, 67-74-141.

First flight
Gross: 1. Jerry Walling, 75-74-149; 2. Ted Jett, 77-79-156; 3. Harold Salmon, 78-79-157; Net: 1. Merlin Rose, 68-70-138; 2. Fred Simmons, 77-80-157.

Second flight
Gross: 1. Ronnie Wood, 80-79-159; 2. John Welborn, 82-82-164; Net: 1. Bill Heuston, 66-68-134; 2. Tommy Hill, 70-67-137.

Third flight
Gross: 1. Doug Ware, 86-86-172; 2. Butch Thompson, 84-90-174; 3. Durward Dunlap, 88-93-181; Net: 1. Jay Baker, 68-73-141; 2. Scott Daugherty, 69-76-145; 3. Bill Arthur, 73-72-145.

Fourth flight
Gross: 1. Dennis Jordan, 88-96-184; 2. Richard Stowers, 93-98-191; Net: 1. Bob Burkett, 69-68-137; 2. Guen Allen, 68-74-142.

WOMEN'S DIVISION
Championship flight
Gross: 1. Joyce Rasco, 82-83-165; 2. Sue Winborn, 86-84-170; Net: 1. Laura Kindle, 70-72-142; 2. Joyce Swope, 79-68-147; 3. LaVonna Dalton, 75-73-148.

First flight
Gross: 1. Robbie Pepper, 97-94-191; 2. Peggy David, 102-95-197; Net: 1. Andrea Walling, 69-72-141; 2. LaWanda Baker, 75-75-150; 3. Lynette Baker, 78-73-151.

BASEBALL

DUMAS — Pampa was eliminated by River Road, 11-10, in the Babe Ruth 14-15 year-old District Tournament over the weekend.

With the score tied at 10-all, River Road scored the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Jesse Francis was Pampa's leading hitter with three singles while Jeremy Miller had two singles and Brent Phelps, a double and single.

Pampa had defeated Berger, 14-8, earlier in the loser's bracket. The game had to be re-played Saturday after it was rained out Friday.

Greg Lindsey came on to pitch the last two innings and picked up the win for Pampa. Cody Shepard and Jeremy Miller also saw action on the mound.

Shepard led Pampa at the plate with three singles. Lindsey had a double and single while Brandon Hill had a double and triple.

BASKETBALL

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Sparked by hometown favorite Reggie Miller's 21 points, the U.S. Olympic squad jumped to a 20-3 lead and closed its five-game exhibition schedule with a 128-62 triumph over Greece.

It was the most one-sided decision by Dream Team III.

Thomas ready for Dolphins' rookie camp

PAMPA — Zach Thomas will be ready when the Miami Dolphins rookie training camp opens today in Florida.

Thomas, the Texas Tech All-American from Pampa, has been lifting weights, running wind sprints and doing endless number of drills for almost two months at one of the Dolphins' mini-camps.

"They've been running me so much I've lost a lot of my body fat and I'm up to 242 pounds. That's what the coaches like to see," Thomas said.

When Thomas ended his star-studded career with the Red Raiders, he weighed in at 236 pounds from his middle line-backer position. He's now ready to get started in the pro game.

"It's kind of funny. I've never been to a pro game. I've seen a bunch of them on TV, but I've never been to one. It looks like I'm going to get to play in one before I've ever seen one," he said.

Thomas, who made a number of All-America teams his last two seasons at Texas Tech, signed a Dolphins' contract worth \$600,000 with an \$84,000 signing bonus. He was a fifth-round pick in April's NFL draft.

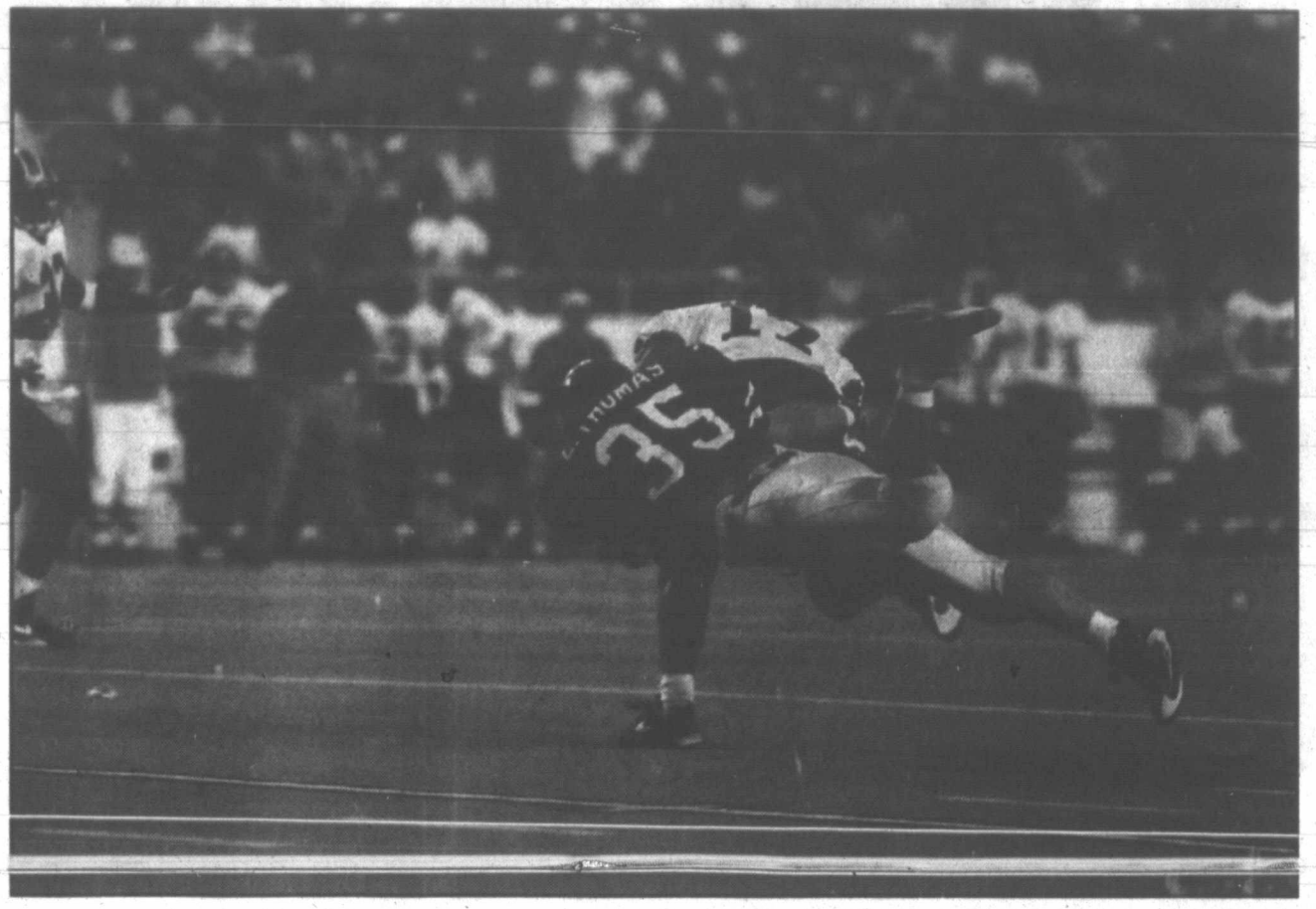
"Going from college to the pro level is much like going from high school to college. The linemen are stronger and the players are faster. It's a smarter game, much more complicated. Quarterbacks run the plays much better in the pro game. They make a few mistakes, but not many," Thomas said. "It's not like in college where the quarterback just throws the ball up in the air. Everything is more planned out."

Defensively, Thomas is liking the way the pro game is played.

"The linemen are so good, you don't get double-teamed as much. In college I was getting double-teamed all the time, especially my junior and senior years," he said.

Jimmy Johnson, Miami's new head coach, is very familiar to Cowboy fans. Johnson won two Super Bowls in five years as head coach at Dallas. The Dolphins, under veteran coach Don Shula, went 9-7 a year ago.

"I'm hoping we'll have a good team," Thomas said. "We've got a good chance with coach Johnson. It would be something if we could get to the playoffs my first year."



(Special photo)

Former Texas Tech linebacker Zach Thomas makes a flying tackle during a Southwest Conference game this past season. Thomas hopes to make a few more tackles this season as he makes his NFL debut with the Miami Dolphins.

A's rout Rangers, 9-1

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Kevin Gross started the game with a sore back. He ended it with a sore back and an inflated ERA.

The Oakland Athletics scored six runs off Gross in two-plus innings to begin a 9-1 win Sunday over the Texas Rangers. Scott Brosius and Matt Stairs hit solo homers and Jason Giambi had three RBIs for the A's.

Gross (9-7), who gave up six hits and four walks, said his sore back feels similar to an injury that sent him to the disabled list in late May and early June.

"It's hurting bad. I can hardly sit down," he said while standing in front of his locker. "The longer I was out there, and having to battle, it was getting worse. When you can't finish throwing, you're not going to have much velocity."

Gross has given up 19 runs on 22 hits in 11 2-3 innings in his last three starts to raise his ERA from 4.97 to 6.02.

"He said he was fine, but he was never able to get loose or throw the breaking ball," said Texas manager Johnny Oates, who visited the mound in the second inning. "Looking at the results, I don't think he was fine."

Jose Herrera and Rafael Bournival had three hits apiece for Oakland, which has homered in a season-high 10 straight games. Geronimo Berroa had a two-run double for Oakland, giving him nine RBIs this season against Texas.

Lady Harvesters thump Lovington in UGSA state softball opener

ODESSA — The Pampa Lady Harvesters softball team thumped Lovington, N.M., 19-6, in the United Girls Softball Association state tournament Sunday.

The game was called after three and a half innings.

Winning pitcher was Kimberly Clark, who pitched the first three innings of the contest and allowed just two hits while striking out three and walking three.

Lindy Sells picked up the save, pitching the final inning. Sells allowed three hits and struck out one. Clark helped her own cause, fielding two sharply-hit ground balls for the first two outs of the third inning.

For Pampa, Patti Montoya led all scorers by reaching base safely and scoring in each of her three trips to the plate. Jessica Harper had an exceptional game, according to coach Jimmie Clark. In addition to Harper's hitting spree, she played well in left field, Clark said.

Lovington struggled in both the second and third innings as they were unable to retire Pampa batters before the maximum seven runs were scored in each of those innings.

In the meantime, Pampa was slamming the door on any hopes of a Lovington win by holding them scoreless in each of those innings.

Jessica Harper, triple and single; Jaimie Reed and Danette Hoover, one double each; Lisa Jones and Rebecca McConnell, one single each.

Amby Payen, Chole Campos, Annissa Melendez and Sandy Sanchez had one single each for Lovington.

Pampa takes on Big Spring today at 9:45 as tournament play continues through Tuesday night.

Pampa will play Andrews at 4:45 and then faces Lovington again at 10 p.m.

The tournament is being played at the University of Texas-Permian Basin softball complex.

14-15 All-Stars



(Pampa News photo)

Players selected to the Pampa Babe Ruth 14-15 All-Star Baseball Team this season were (front row, l-r) Brent Phelps, Justin Barnes, Jesse Francis, Greg Lindsey, Adam Hillman, Carey Knutson, Russell Robben and coach Johnny Miller; (back row, l-r) coach Tim Hill, Jeremy Miller, Joel Barker, Brandon Hill, Courtney Lowrance, Jonathan Waggoner and Cody Shepard.

Pampa All-Stars win opener in 11-12 West Texas state tourney

PLAINVIEW - Dominant pitching, steady fielding and good hitting carried the Pampa 11-12 Bambino All Stars to victory over Lockney in the first round of the West Texas Major Bambino State Tournament Saturday.

Kyle Francis, who relieved starter Adam Jones in the third inning was the winning pitcher. The Pampa hurlers combined to allow Lockney only four baserunners in the game. Francis gave up one earned run and two hits in four innings; he struck out six and walked one. Jones gave up one unearned run and one hit while striking out six in two innings. Jones did not walk a batter.

Pampa demonstrated a tight defense with no errors. Ryan Zemanek made the defensive play of the game in right field making an ankle high running catch of a fly ball.

Mat Driscoll hammered out four hits to pace Pampa's hitting. Driscoll scored once and had two RBIs. Zemanek cracked a two-run homer as one of his two hits; he scored two times and also had two RBIs. Keenan Davis drilled a grand slam home run. Justin Waggoner stroked a hit, scored a run and drove in two runners. Randy Tice scored once on one hit. Francis aided his own cause with a hit and a run scored.

Pampa took advantage of Lockney's first game jitters in the

first inning, scoring two runs on only one hit. Tice and Chase Babcock were safe on errors. Both stole a base. Tice scored on an infield out by Waggoner. Babcock scooted home on the first of four singles by Driscoll.

Lockney made it a 2-1 ball game in the bottom of the first. Shortstop Andrew Francis hit Jones' first offering for a single to left field. He came around to score on two wild pitches and a passed ball as Pampa showed some first inning tightness.

The bottom of Pampa's batting order scored three runs in the second. Nathanael Hill walked, went all the way to third on a throwing error and scored on a wild pitch.

Davis walked. Zemanek unloaded a home run over the center field wall to make it a 5-1 game.

Pampa put the game away in the third inning. Driscoll singled. Jones walked. Francis singled to load the bases. Davis cleaned the bases with a line shot over the left field fence. Zemanek walked and went to third when Tice was safe on an error again. Zemanek scored the fifth run of the inning on a wild pitch.

Francis came on to pitch for Pampa. He walked Brandon Alvis. One out later, Lockney's Andrew Francis drilled a one ball-two strike pitch to the left field wall for a double sending Alvis to third. Alvis scored on a passed ball. Francis

strolled home on a single by Chad Jimenez to end the Lockney scoring. Kyle settled down to get the next eleven batters out in a row.

Pampa added a couple of insurance runs in the fifth. Zemanek singled and went to second on an infield out. Waggoner's Texas League single plated Zemanek. Waggoner took second on the throw to the plate; he went to third on a wild pitch and scored on a Driscoll single.

Lockney will play in game four at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Pampa will play a winners' bracket game at 7:30 p.m. Monday. The tournament winner will represent West Texas in the regional tournament in New Orleans later this month.

Major League standings

National League Standings

At A Glance

By The Associated Press

All Times EDT

East Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	57	34	.626	—
Montreal	50	41	.549	7
New York	43	48	.473	14
Florida	41	50	.451	16
Philadelphia	40	50	.444	16 1/2

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	49	42	.538	—
Houston	49	44	.527	1
Cincinnati	42	44	.488	4 1/2
Chicago	42	49	.462	7
Pittsburgh	40	51	.440	9

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	49	44	.527	—
San Diego	48	45	.516	1
Colorado	46	44	.511	1 1/2
San Francisco	40	50	.444	7 1/2

Saturday's Games

Houston at New York, ppd., rain
St. Louis 10, Chicago 5
Atlanta 3, Florida 0
Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 0
Philadelphia 6, Montreal 2
Colorado 11, San Diego 6
San Francisco 7, Los Angeles 0

Sunday's Games

Houston 7, New York 5, 11 innings, 1st game
New York 10, Houston 3, 2nd game
Atlanta 15, Florida 10
Montreal 5, Philadelphia 2
Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 6
St. Louis 7, Chicago 6
Colorado 8, San Diego 4
San Francisco 6, Los Angeles 0

Monday's Games

Houston (Wall 6-1) at Florida (Rapp 4-11), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Morgan 2-3) at Cincinnati (Salkeld 4-2), 7:35 p.m.
Montreal (Rueter 5-6) at Atlanta (Maddux 9-8), 7:40 p.m.
Philadelphia (Springer 2-6) at New York (Wilson 3-5), 7:40 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Miceli 1-4) at Chicago (Castillo 2-11), 8:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Bourgeois 1-1) at Colorado (Bailey 0-1), 9:05 p.m.
San Diego (Ashby 8-2) at Los Angeles

Tuesday's Games

Montreal (Fassero 6-7) at Atlanta (Glavin 10-5), 1:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Neagle 10-4) at Chicago (Navarro 7-8), 2:20 p.m.
San Diego (Hamilton 10-4) at Los Angeles (R. Martinez 7-3), 4:05 p.m.
Houston (Drabek 4-7) at Florida (Burket 6-8), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Osborne 8-5) at Cincinnati (Smiley 8-8), 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia (Schilling 3-3) at New York (M. Clark 9-8), 7:40 p.m.
San Francisco (M. Letter 4-8) at Colorado (Freeman 6-5), 9:05 p.m.

American League Standings

At A Glance

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East Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	56	33	.629	—
Baltimore	46	43	.517	10
Toronto	41	50	.451	16
Boston	40	49	.449	16
Detroit	27	65	.293	30 1/2

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	55	36	.604	—
Chicago	53	38	.582	2
Milwaukee	44	46	.489	10 1/2
Minnesota	42	48	.467	12 1/2
Kansas City	39	53	.424	16 1/2

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	53	38	.582	—
Seattle	49	40	.551	3
Oakland	45	47	.489	8 1/2
California	44	48	.478	9 1/2

Saturday's Games

New York 3, Baltimore 2, 1st game
New York 7, Baltimore 5, 2nd game
California 6, Seattle 4
Boston 10, Detroit 5
Chicago 3, Kansas City 1
Toronto 15, Milwaukee 7
Cleveland 19, Minnesota 11
Texas 8, Oakland 1

Sunday's Games

Boston 6, Detroit 4
New York 4, Baltimore 1
Minnesota 5, Cleveland 4
Chicago 3, Kansas City 2

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Natural gas well explosion kills two

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

DIME BOX, Texas (AP) — Containment specialists will try today to penetrate the wall of blistering heat that has so far hindered efforts to extinguish a raging fire from a natural gas well explosion that killed two men.

The rig, owned by WCS Oil & Gas Inc. of Dallas, erupted in a series of three explosions Saturday night, creating a ball of fire nearly 40 feet in the air. Onlookers said the blaze illuminated the sky from 20 miles away.

Heat in excess of 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit permitted the workers to recover only one of the two bodies Sunday.

That body was being sent to the Travis County Medical Examiner's Office for identification based on dental records. Workers had yet to locate the body of the second victim, but hoped to do so today, Lee County Deputy Sheriff Adam Gonzales said.

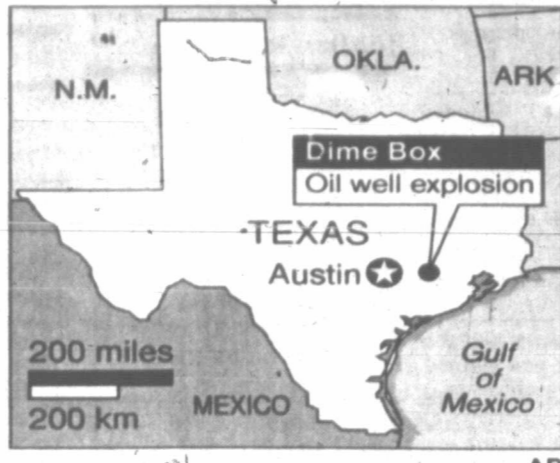
"They're going to ... try to cool the fire down as much as they can to do some searching," he said.

Members of Joe Bowden's Wild Well Control Inc., of Spring, Texas, said efforts may take from two to 10 days to extinguish the fire.

Workers used ear plugs to dampen the sound of the fire, which rivaled that of a jet engine or freight train.

"It'll probably take a week to get this fire out," said Pat Campbell, vice president of Joe Bowden's. "The gas doesn't pose much of a threat because everything is burning. You almost have complete combustion. Everything else is dissipating into the air. It's quite safe."

Danny Anderson, the on-site manager for WCS, said the cause of the blast was still undetermined Sunday.



structure at the time of the first explosion, witnesses said.

The body firefighters were able to locate was thrown roughly 35 feet by the blast. A skeleton crew of other workers at the rig was able to escape without injury, Gonzales said.

"We will talk to the employees who survived and conduct a thorough investigation as soon as we can recover the bodies and get the fire under control," Gonzales said.

The specialists from Joe Bowden's well company arrived at the blowout about 2 a.m. Sunday, digging a trench around the rig to form a water-filled moat aimed at keeping the fire from spreading.

Later, they used cranes with long hooks and bulldozers to clear mangled metal from the area.

They brought in 12 water tanks the size of tractor trailer rigs. They were connected to hoses capable of shooting water at a force of 2,000 gallons per minute, far out muscling the capability of normal firefighting equipment, officials said.

After the wreckage is pulled away, an explosion is typically set off above the blowout to suck the oxygen out of the fire and snuff the flame. Then, the well is capped, officials said.

The fire is in southeast Lee County, just west of Lake Somerville, just off FM 1697 and eight miles southeast of Dime Box. While no one else was reported injured, residents of a house within 500 feet of the explosion were moved from their home, said Department of Public Safety trooper Bob Thorp of Giddings.

The well is 65 miles southeast of Austin.

Thorp said the operators of the oil field were WCS Petroleum, and the drillers were employees of Pride Petroleum. Telephone calls to Pride's Houston office went unanswered.

Nation briefs

Residents, counties start assessing Bertha damage

SURF CITY, N.C. (AP) — Residents returned home to find sand dunes in the street and waterlogged belongings after Hurricane Bertha battered the Carolina coast. Damage estimates shot into the tens of millions.

More than 4,000 residents of Topsail Island, part of North Carolina's Outer Banks, were allowed to return to their evacuated homes Sunday, but vacationers were being steered away.

Some residents were kept waiting on the single road to the island. Officials said there were still some loose electrical lines and that sewage pumps were clogged with sand.

By Saturday, assessment teams in several southeastern counties had tallied close to \$60 million in damage estimates, including \$40 million in coastal Onslow County. Tourism officials estimated a loss of \$24 million to businesses over the weekend.

Property damage in Topsail Beach was \$2 million, including major damage to 40 residential units, Town Manager Eric Peterson said. The island's southern end was under more than a foot of water at one point during the storm.

United Airlines flight makes emergency landing

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — A United Airlines 757 made an emergency landing after an engine compressor stalled, emitting popping noises and making

the plane shudder.

Flight 1607, en route from Miami to Denver with 171 passengers and eight crew members, landed at Wichita's Mid-Continent Airport, said Capt. Loyd Hamrick of Airport Public Safety. No one was injured.

Some of the passengers aboard the Boeing jet reported seeing "flames or something red" shooting out of the left engine of the two-engine plane.

Microsoft sells only manufacturing operation in U.S.

REDMOND, Wash. (AP) — Microsoft Corp. announced it has signed a letter of intent to sell its only production facility in the United States.

The deal with Kao Infosystems Co. of Plymouth, Mass., includes the sale, continued employment for the workers, and a three-year contract to manufacture software for the Redmond-based company, Microsoft spokesman Dean Katz said Sunday.

Kao will purchase and operate the eight-year-old Canyon Park facility in Bothell, which now produces the majority of Microsoft's packaged products for North America, Katz said.

The exact price of the sale has not been worked out yet, he said.

Canyon Park, located about 13 miles northeast of Seattle, will become the third West Coast software production facility for Kao, a diskette manufacturer that is a subsidiary of the Japanese conglomerate Kao Corp.

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