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Judge clarifies dog election facts

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Whether or not to register dogs in Gray County will be decided by the voters in a little over two weeks.

Gray County voters will go to the polls Aug. 12 to decide whether dogs outside the City of Pampa should be required to be registered with the county.

In an effort to clarify many questions surrounding the dog registration election, County Judge Richard Peet released a summary of the Section 822, Subchapter C, of Vernon's Texas Code Annotated pertaining to the regulation of animals.

Registration and registration fee for dogs can be enacted by cities or counties, he said. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$100, confinement in the coun-

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ty jail for not more than 30 days, or both. If the registration and registration fee for dogs passes, in general, the following goes into place:

- All dogs six months of age or older must be registered with the county treasurer.
- \$1 registration fee once a year.
- The \$1 fee covers the cost of registration and compensation to owners of animals who are attacked.
- Dogs may not run at large unless the dog is registered and is wearing a dog identification tag issued by the county.
- All dogs running loose between sun-

set on one day and sunrise of the following day must be muzzled.

• A dog that is attacking, is about to attack, or has recently attacked a domestic animal may be killed by any person witnessing or having knowledge of the attack.

• The owner of a dog that is known to have attacked domestic animals shall kill the dog. A sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, police officer, magistrate or county commissioner may enter the premises of the owner of the dog and kill the dog if the owner fails to do so.

• The owner of any domestic animals

that are subject to the ravages of sheep-killing dogs may place poison on the premises where the animals are kept. The owner must post notice of the poison at each entrance to the premises before placing the poison.

• Dogs six months or older must be registered by the owner not later than the 30th day after the proclamation is published or adopted.

• Dogs brought into the county for not more than 10 days for breeding purposes, trial, or show are not required to be registered.

These regulations do not apply to dogs registered in the City of Pampa, said Peet.

Early voting began Wednesday in the county clerk's office and will continue through Aug. 8. Applications for a ballot by mail in the dog registration election will be accepted through Aug. 4.

May sales tax collections up

By KATE B. DICKSON
Associate Publisher

Pampa's sales tax collections were up a whopping 22 percent plus in May — the best overall percentage gain since the fiscal year started in October.

More sales taxes were collected here in May — a total of \$154,787 — than in May, 1999 when merchants collected \$125,931, according to figures released by City Finance Director John Horst. The collections exceeded the expected or budgeted May sales tax revenue by 22.94 percent as well.

"In dollars this is an increase of almost \$29,000 over last July," Horst said. The July report reflects sales made during May.

"This is most encouraging as it shows that retail sales in Pampa were quite good in May," the finance director said. "If August and September sales taxes equal last year the city will only be \$6,000 under budget" when the fiscal year ends Sept. 30.

"There does not seem to be a particular reason for the increase, other than area residents being more confident in the local economy and shopping more at home," the finance director said.

Now, Horst awaits the next report, which will be issued in August for sales made during June. He said June typically is the second highest collection month each year behind December.

If June retail sales are up over last year, sales tax could exceed the budgeted amount of \$1,940,000, he said.

PHS schedules credit by examination testing

Pampa High School students wanting to earn credit by examination may test on Aug. 4.

Students planning to take the exam need to register with their high school counselor immediately at 669-4800.

One of the requirements is that students cannot be currently enrolled in the course. No study guides are provided. Previous knowledge of the subject area is highly recommended. Textbooks may be checked out from the textbook coordinator after registering with the counselor, according to Billie Lowrey at PHS.

Exams are available for core areas at no charge and only two attempts on the same exam are allowed.

Additional testing dates set by the local district for the credit by examination testing are Oct. 10, 2000; Dec. 15, 2000; March 6, 2001; May 4, 2001; and June 1, 2001.



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)
William Hatt, 16, of Pampa and Anthony Goldthrite, 14, both of Pampa, pack it in after fishing off the pier at City Lake recently. The two friends had been planning a fishing trip all summer. After a day of angling, they brought home six perch.



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Samuel Kanyi of Kenya, Africa, center, meets with a youth group at Hi-Land Christian Church. From left are: John Burns, Gayla Steele, Kanyi, Jessica Burns and Meghan Scott. Kanyi is serving a summer internship as youth minister of the church while on break from his studies at Dallas Christian College.

Summer intern finds Pampa much like African hometown

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

Samuel Kanyi, summer youth minister at Hi-Land Christian Church here, comes to the Texas Panhandle prairie from Ngong Town, Kenya, in east Africa.

"Ngong means 'foothills,'" Kanyi explained. "Behind our town is a long string of small hills. The old people say that long ago God walked on those hills. It looks like footsteps," he said.

"Ngong Town, a small community on the outskirts of Nairobi, Kenya's capitol, has become a tourist attraction because of its beauty.

"Lots of people go there. It's a very beautiful place," Kanyi said.

Two years ago Kanyi, now 21, left his home in Africa and traveled to the United States to

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attend Dallas Christian College, his father's alma mater.

Peter Kanyi, his father, is a minister and missionary to the Sudan. His family also includes his mother Ann ("I know her mostly as 'Mommy,'" he quipped) and two brothers, Njeru, 20, and David, 18.

In addition to being fluent in English, Kanyi (See INTERN, Page 2)

Act I Children's group play opens tonight for three-day run

Where in the world is Shadowy Figure and the Teletransducer?

The Children's Acting Group of Act I will provide the answer while performing on the stage tonight, Friday and Saturday, starting at 7 p.m. Performances are at the ACT I theatre in the Pampa Mall. Entrance to the theatre is in the rear-west side of the mall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3.50 for children.

Back to the story.

When the Teletransducer, a matter converter, created by Leonard Digbee (played by Adam Hagerman) for the fifth grade science fair is stolen, Harriet Handleman, super genius (played by Kayla Mendoza), sets out to track it down.

Mendoza is well casted in the role of Handleman. She brings the character to life with her charm and skill as a young actress.

Harriet leads a group consisting of her brother, Hugs (Kathy Aler) several friends and handsome, resourceful CIA agent Terry Alexander (Adam

Pollock) on an adventure around the world seeking for the Teletransducer and the Shadowy Figure who stole it.

Greg Wariner plays the Shadowy Figure with great enthusiasm. He not only steals the Teletransducer but the show as well.

One-by-one Harriet's friends fall victim of the Shadowy Figure until the final show down when

You are invited to see the climax of "The Everyday Adventures of Harriet Handleman" for yourself.

This production is under the direction of Gina Kane, assisted by Heather Kane and a skilled group of young stage manager, helpers and lighting crew.

The cast consisting of Mendoza, Aler, Taran Roundy, Megan Pettit, Krishna Henderson, Morgan Reagan, Brittany Reagan, Hagerman, Pollock, Shawna Salazar, Wariner and Lacy Crain invite you to come out for an entertaining evening provided by budding thespians.

Winner in San Antonio

One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$40 million.

The ticket was sold in San Antonio.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 54 were: 9-14-24-27-42-52.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

Classified advertising in *The Pampa News* is a sure way to get results. 669-2525.

- Geneva Tooley Bowermon, 82, homemaker.
- Woodrow 'Woody' Clendennen, 82, retired employee of Fort Worth and Denver Railroad.
- Leonardo Ramos, 70, Shamrock resident.
- Thelma Walker, 81, retired teacher.

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Services tomorrow

CLENDENNEN, Woodrow "Woody" — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Rowe Cemetery, Hedley.

FARNSWORTH, Kenneth D. — Graveside services, 3 p.m., Hoisington Cemetery, Hoisington, Kan.

RAMOS, Leonardo — Mass, 2 p.m., St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Shamrock.

SEALEY, Murray Wilson — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

WALKER, Thelma — 1 p.m., First Baptist Church, Amarillo.

Obituaries

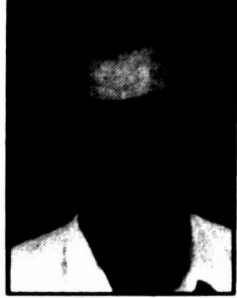
GENEVA TOOLEY BOWERMON LUBBOCK — Geneva Tooley Bowermon, 82, died Wednesday, July 26, 2000. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery with the Rev. Bill Jernigan officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home and Cemetery of Lubbock.

Mrs. Bowermon was born Sept. 30, 1917, at Chillicothe. She married Robert P. Bowermon on April 7, 1946, at Pampa; he died July 29, 1989. She had been a Lubbock resident since 1961, moving from Pampa. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a daughter, Paula Stephens Bishop of Georgetown; a son, Robert Kent Bowermon of Big Spring; a sister, Mary Lou Butler of Fort Worth; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of Lubbock.

WOODROW 'WOODY' CLENDENNEN — Woodrow "Woody" Clendennen, 82, of Pampa, died Wednesday, July 26, 2000. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Rowe Cemetery at Hedley with the Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor of First Baptist Church of Lefors, and the Rev. Bryan Knowles, a Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mr. Clendennen was born Feb. 25, 1918, in Hill County, Texas. He married Mildred Crawford on Oct. 17, 1936, at Waco. He had been a Pampa resident since 1998, moving from Amarillo. He retired from Fort Worth and Denver Railroad and worked for Campbell Ranch.

He belonged to Chaparral Hills Baptist Church of Amarillo.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and a sister.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred, of the home; a daughter, Betty Owens of Pampa; a son, Doyle Clendennen of Pampa; five grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Rowe Cemetery Association in Hedley.

LEONARDO RAMOS — Leonardo Ramos, 70, died Tuesday, July 25, 2000. Mass will be celebrated at 2 p.m. Friday in St. Patrick's Catholic Church with Father Calvin Stalter officiating. Rosary services will be at 7:30 p.m. today at Wright Funeral Directors funeral home. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Ramos was born at Miles City, Mont. He married Elena Moya on Dec. 15, 1952, at Havt, Mo. He had been a Shamrock resident since 1961 and belonged to St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Elena, of Shamrock; five daughters, Elisa Vampran and Gloria Lacy, both of Shamrock, Sylvia Reeves and Connie Reeves, both of California, and Mary Elliott of Elk City, Okla.; five sons, Leon Ramos Jr., Johnny Ramos and Jesse Ramos, all of Shamrock, Nick Ramos of Walker, La., and Frank Ramos of Minnesota; a sister, Esther of San Antonio; a brother, Mario Ramos of San Antonio; 29 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to St. Patrick's Catholic Church or to a favorite charity.

THELMA WALKER — Thelma Walker, 81, sister of a Pampa resident, died Tuesday, July 25, 2000. Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church with Dr. Howard Batson, of the church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel of Amarillo.

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She belonged to First Baptist Church.

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Police report

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

Wednesday, July 26

Theft of \$25 in cash was reported in the 1100 block of Terrace.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 500 block of North Frost. Damage to a metal door and frame was valued at \$200.

Sheriff's Office

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

Wednesday, July 26

John Philip Crutchfield, 18, no address given, was arrested on a bond surrender for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Troy Elton Hopkins, 72, 120 S. Russell was arrested on a bond surrender from Potter County authorities.

Eric Michael Guyer, 18, 610 N. Davis, was arrested for failure to stop and give information.

Thursday, July 27

Billy Wayne Hardy, 28, 216 N. Wells, was arrested on traffic warrants out of Carson County.

Jerry Wayne Ham, 20, 1601 W. Somerville, was arrested on a municipal capias pro fine for minor in possession.

Mindy Ann Ham, 18, 1601 W. Somerville, was arrested on a municipal capias pro fine for minor in possession.

Amanda Nichole Jenkins, 18, 520 Ward, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana under two ounces.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, July 26

10:24 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of West 30th and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11:07 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West in Amarillo.

5:18 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Hobart and Somerville and transported one to PRMC.

9:19 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

9:43 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of West Kentucky and transported one to PRMC.

Thursday, July 27

5:56 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NWTX.

Fires

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

Wednesday, July 26

5 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to the intersection of Hobart and Somerville for hazard removal following a motor vehicle collision.

5:26 p.m. - Two units and three firefighters responded to the alley in the 900 block of South Wells. A vehicle pulling a trailer had pushed a dumpster into a gas meter. No leak was found.

Carson Co. Sheriff

Carson County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrest during the week of July 17-July 23, 2000. Currently, 15 persons are incarcerated in the county jail and nine additional prisoners are being held in other jurisdictions.

July 17-23, 2000

Shannon L. Northcutt, 34, Amarillo; fugitive failing to identify and failure to appear on original charge.

Barney E. Sawyer, 43, McLean, motion to revoke probation on unlawfully possession of a firearm.

Lawrence Park, 30, Mariposa, Calif., possession of marijuana more than five pounds but less than 50 pounds.

Travis Tate, 26, Borger, DPS traffic warrants.

Manuel Salazar, 30, Amarillo, 30, driving while intoxicated, first offense.

Leo F. McMahon, 42, Pampa, criminal mischief.

John Parker, 25, Phoenix, Ariz., possession of marijuana more than five pounds but less than 50 pounds.

Tanya G. Johnson, 23, Amarillo, Potter County warrant for injury to a child.

Andre D. Armstrong, 26, Amarillo, driving while intoxicated, first offense, endangering a child and evading arrest.

William Harsc, 27, Las Cruces, N. M., possession of marijuana, more than four ounces but less than five pounds; possession of a controlled substance, PG 3, and Possession of controlled substance PG 4.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Anthony Grant of Pampa

Wheat	2.25	Columbia HCA	32 1/16 up 1/16
Milo	2.11	Enron	74 1/2 up 2 1/8
Corn	2.78	Halliburton	45 1/4 up 1 1/16
Soybeans	3.65	IRI	10 5/8 up 1/16
		KMI	32 15/16 up 1/2
		Kerr McGee	55 3/16 up 1 5/16
		Lumint	22 1/4 dn 3/16
		McDonald's	33 5/8 up 1 15/16
		Exxon Mobil	78 1/16 up 2
		New Atmos	19 13/16 nc
		NCF	34 5/8 up 15/64
		OKF	26 11/16 up 1/16
		Phillips	17 1/2 up 2 5/8
		Powert Nat	11 5/16 nc
		SEB	72 5/8 up 1 5/16
		Tenneco	5 7/8 dn 1/8
		Texas	49 7/8 up 1 1/4
		Ultramar	22 1/2 up 7/16
		Wal Mart	59 1/16 up 7/16
		Williams	42 7/8 up 1/16

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of completion

Occidental	19 1/16	up 3/8
Fidelity Mageln	135.81	
Parran	18.89	

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

Amerco	52 13/16	up 1/8
Cabot	32 15/16	dn 9/16
Cabot O&G	17 5/8	up 1/4
Chevron	79 5/8	up 2 5/16
Coca Cola	60 7/8	up 2 1/16
New York Gold		279.75
Silver		4.95
West Texas Crude		28.24

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	1-888-Energas
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	1-800-750-2520
Water	669-5830

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also speaks Swahili, the national language; Kikuyu, his father's tribal dialect; and Embu, his mother's tribal dialect.

While Kanyi plans to also become a missionary, he doesn't exactly want to follow in his father's footsteps. He has his own ideas about what he will do when he completes his degrees in Bible and cross-cultural missions.

"I'll probably go back home or to some island," he said. "I want to go places, and see the poverty that's there and inform the world about it. I'll use the media to do that."

But for this summer, he is working with a dozen young people from Hi-Land Christian Church as a summer intern.

"I had nothing to do during the summer, so a professor asked me if I'd like to intern at Pampa. Pampa? What's Pampa," I asked. "Some of my friends from Amarillo said, 'There's only one restaurant there.' When I got here I said, 'Where's the one restaurant?'"

Despite the teasing of his friends, Kanyi said he likes Pampa.

"It's a nice place. It reminds me of home. It intrigues me how everyone has gone to school together," he said, adding, "In most African countries, the only way to get out of poverty is through education. There are so many schools, most people don't go to the same school."

Kanyi explained that, to him, poverty means not having as many luxuries as Americans are used to having, like televisions.

"In rural areas, we're not poor. We help each other," he said.

"I'm not used to the really, really little things like the button you push to cross the road," he said. "At home, if you see no cars you cross the road. I tried that here and I have never been hooted (honked at) like that before!"

He sees his time in Pampa as an opportunity to teach the young people at Hi-Land Christian about helping each other.

"I want to get to know the kids and teach them the importance of having a close relationship with God and to read your Bible and pray every day," he said. "I want them to realize they can have an impact on other kids they meet."

"We live in a country where there's a lot of materialism," Kanyi said. "Sometimes we need to be told, 'You know what, you're not the star in this big picture. You need to start helping others.'"

Kanyi has stayed with several different families since coming to Pampa two months ago.

"Today's my switching day," he said with a wide smile. "Some people say they're abusing you, but I love it. I'm the type of person who likes people. I came here to help people, not help myself."

Kanyi said he's encouraged by the open way he's been accepted by the people of Pampa.

"Here comes a new person and people are able to open their hands up wide and listen to me," he said. "Sometimes people live in towns years and years and don't even know their neighbor. That's a praise to God."

In two weeks, Kanyi will pack his things and return to Dallas Christian College to complete his education.

"I'm dreading to go," he said. "Sometimes I think I'll just pack my car up and go so I won't have to say goodbye. The people have been so loving, so nice and so understanding."

House GOP pushes bill to repeal '93 tax increase on S. Security benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Legislation to repeal a 1993 tax increase on the Social Security benefits of millions of senior citizens is up next for tax-cutting House Republicans, even as President Clinton admonished the GOP to "stop passing tax bills you know I'll veto."

The House was to vote Thursday on the bill, which would reduce taxes on Social Security for people with certain incomes — above \$34,000 for individuals and above \$44,000 for married couples — from 85 percent of benefits to the pre-1993 level of 50 percent. The bill's cost was estimated at \$100 billion over 10 years.

Rep. Bill Archer, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said the original purpose of the tax increase — reducing the federal budget deficit — has disappeared now that projections indicate surpluses of \$2 trillion over the next decade, not counting Social Security.

"The budget surplus is real, not imagined, and it means that the tax is no longer needed," Archer, R-

Texas, said Wednesday in a letter to Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers.

In addition, money would be transferred out of the general budget surplus to make up for any losses in Medicare, where the tax proceeds are now transferred. About 9 million senior citizens now pay the higher tax rate, a number expected to reach 13 million by 2010.

Democrats say the bill's promise to use general tax revenue for Medicare could come up short if the surplus projections are wrong. They planned to offer an alternative that would cut the Social Security tax for all but those beneficiaries with incomes above \$100,000 — but only if the surplus actually materializes.

The GOP bill, Summers said in his own letter, "is the latest in a series of costly and poorly targeted tax proposals" to emerge in Congress, reinforcing Clinton's comments at a news conference Wednesday that this summer's series of tax cuts wasn't the wisest use of the surplus.

Reports: Ford to boost fuel economy of sport utility vehicles

DETROIT (AP) — Ford Motor Co., which is credited with popularizing gas-guzzling sport utility vehicles, will announce Thursday that it plans to improve the fuel economy of its fleet of SUVs by 25 percent over five years, according to reports.

Ford chief executive officer Jacques Nasser was scheduled to speak at the National Press Club in Washington.

The Wall Street Journal and The New York Times, citing unnamed sources, said Ford would improve fuel economy mostly by improving technology on the SUVs it already sells — using lighter-weight materials and making engines and transmissions more efficient.

The plan is to increase efficiency by roughly five miles a gallon and it would represent "the first significant change" in 20 years toward the fuel economy of a passenger vehicle, the Times said.

The Times said Ford was convinced that Americans want to buy more fuel-efficient vehicles and will steer their purchases to companies they perceive as environmentally responsible.

Ford will not pass on the extra cost of higher fuel economy at first, betting instead that improved fuel economy will increase sales.

Ford chairman William Clay Ford Jr. has set out to improve his company's environmental standing.

Automakers have resisted attempts to change the federal corporate average fuel economy standards. For more than a decade, they have remained at 20.7 miles per gallon for light trucks, including SUVs, and 27.5 mpg for passenger cars. The auto industry says tougher standards would drive up the costs of new cars and force people to buy vehicles that are smaller and less safe.

Other automakers have made smaller moves toward higher fuel economy. General Motors Corp. has improved the gas mileage of its full-size SUVs and pickup trucks by 5 percent over the last three years. But its corporate average has not gone up, as GM has used the gains to boost power instead.

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly cloudy this afternoon with a 20 percent chance of scattered showers, a high of 95 and south winds at 10-20 mph. Mostly cloudy tonight with a 20 percent chance of thundershowers, a low of 70 and southeast winds up to 20 mph. Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thundershowers, a high of 95 and south winds at 10-20 mph. Yesterday's high 98; the overnight low 70. Also overnight, rainfall measured .10 inches.

STATEWIDE — More showers and thundershowers are returning to the Texas weather forecast, with another outflow boundary from out-of-state raising humidities and increasing the chances for rainfall.

Scattered showers and thundershowers developed Thursday

from the central Oklahoma Panhandle into the eastern Texas Panhandle and from the northern low Rolling Plains into the Central South Plains. An intercloud lightning display illuminated Panhandle skies overnight.

Other widely scattered showers, with a few isolated thundershowers, were noted from the Permian Basin into the western mountains and Big Bend.

Patchy shallow fog developed in Southeast Texas.

Temperatures were in the 70s to around 80.

Extremes ranged from 67 degrees at Conroe to 83 at Odessa. It was also 73 degrees at Marfa and 82 degrees at Del Rio.

Winds were mainly from the south and southeast at 5 to 20 mph, with occasionally higher gusts in the Concho Valley and near stronger thundershowers.

A slight chance of thunderstorm development was forecast along the Red River. More showers and thundershowers were also possible across the Panhandle and South Plains. Slight chances will exist from the Permian Basin into the far west.

Daytime highs through Saturday should range from the lower and mid 90s in the north to around 100 in the south and far west, except for mid-80s in the northern mountains and near 108 degrees in the Big Bend valleys.

A slight chance of afternoon showers or thundershowers was forecast near the coast in association with the seabreeze.

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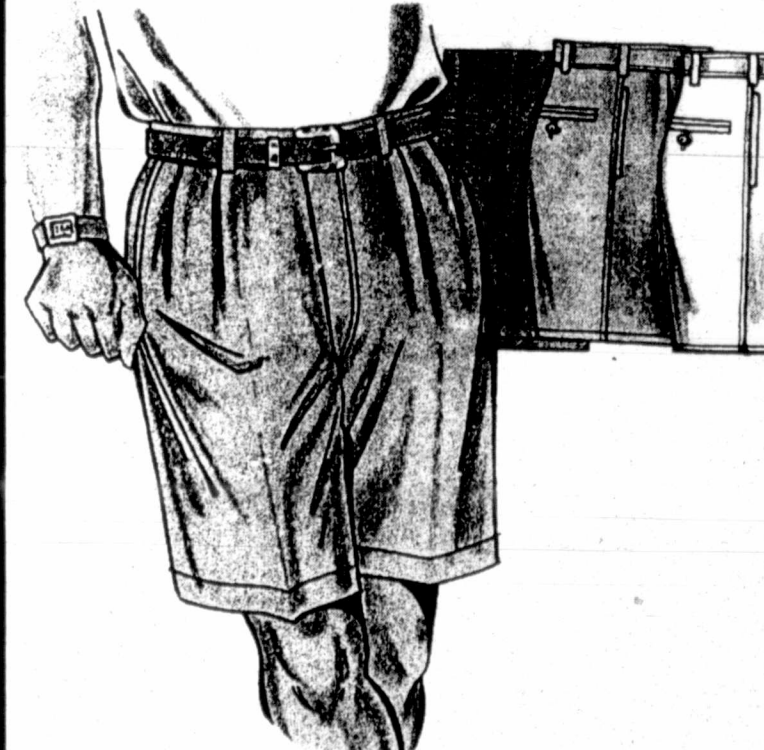
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Inside the Beltway
with
Rep. Mac Thornberry

'Chicken Soup' takes me back

I recently received a copy of the book, "Chicken Soup for the Pet Lover's Soul." This book is my first Chicken Soup book, and I must confess, I love it.

Any pet lover, no matter what type of pets they have, I think will be able to relate to many of the stories.

As I read, I thought of the many animals our family has had through the years—dogs, cats, hamsters, birds, Herbie the Mouse, Shetland ponies, baby calves, raccoons, a snapping turtle, rabbits. These are only a few.

Living in the country back in those days, we would frequently find abandoned puppies and kittens near the road. Many times we found the animals when they were only a few hours old and we fed them with doll bottles until they were old enough to go to new homes. Occasionally, we kept them. Cats were always good to keep the mice population at a minimum.

Some of the animals we had for many, many years while the raccoon was only around a few hours. Thank heavens!

The kids were always bringing home some animal—sometimes they were injured and others were just in need of a home. I always tried to tell the kids once we fed the animals, they wouldn't leave. Probably, I shouldn't have told them—maybe we wouldn't have had so many stray.



Nancy Young
Managing Editor

My youngest daughter is still taking in any stray animals, but that's at her house.

I am almost down to one dog now. She has been in the family for several years. A red heeler, she has one of the best dispositions of any dog. Now, when she was a puppy I was ready to have apoplexy.

That little darling belonged to my son then. He brought her to see me and she managed to chew up the couch cushions, one black pump, books and anything else which she wanted. That was in just a few hours, and she went home.

A few years ago my son changed jobs and couldn't keep her with him, so she came to live with me. Accustomed to riding the back of the pickup, she loved the wind blowing on her as they went down the road.

Today, she frequently sits in the front seat of my car with her head out the window. We all do things differently as we get older.

Back in April, she surprised us by giving birth to puppies. We have two of the most adorable little girls. They love to run and play, and play and run. These two little red heelers are so inquisitive.

Last week as I looked out the patio windows towards a large yucca plant in a corner of the back yard (I tried for years to dig it up before I finally decided it was futile), and the bottom part of the yucca was swaying and shimmering in a way which resembled a Hawaiian grass skirt.

Fascinated, I continued to watch to see what was causing this movement. After about 10 minutes one puppy exited the area. A little more shaking went on before the second pup came out a few minutes later.

Much as I have enjoyed the little darlings, it is time for them to go to a new home. These little girls would be perfect for a cowboy because if they take after their mother, they will be excellent cow dogs.

While they are currently obedience challenged, a good master can remedy that situation in a hurry. Someone like cowboy Dave Lane over at Groom.

The girls have very healthy appetites, and are quite active. Their mom is kept very busy with the two charges.

So if it is not enough for you to just read about pets, and you want a loving and loyal dog, give me a call. I can fix you up.

Plan will allow seniors a choice

Words like Lipitor, Prilosec and Zolofit may sound like a foreign language to some, but to millions of older Americans, they are the names of drugs seniors take every day to help them live a longer and better quality life.

The bill will also put a lid on drug costs so seniors don't lose their nest egg because of the high price of prescriptions. The Congressional Budget Office estimates this bill will help cut drug costs by as much as 25 percent.

Unfortunately, these hightech drugs often come at a high-tech price. For example, Prilosec, an ulcer drug, is one of the most commonly filled prescriptions for seniors. It costs more than \$121 each month. That's a big piece out of many seniors' income and no one should have to choose between buying prescription drugs and buying food.

The House recently passed a bill that will modernize the Medicare system by giving all seniors the right to choose a prescription drug coverage plan. The bill will give seniors a choice of plans, but also allow those who already have drug coverage to keep what they have if they want to. For low income seniors, the government would help pay premiums and copayments.

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Most important, it will give seniors a choice, rather than force them into a one-size-fits-all government-run system, and helps ensure that Medicare stays strong and healthy for current and future generations.

Thought for today

"Philosophy is the microscope of thought."

—Victor Hugo

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By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, July 27, the 209th day of 2000. There are 157 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 27, 1789, Congress established the Department of Foreign Affairs, the forerunner of the Department of State.

On this date:

In 1794, French revolutionary leader Maximilien Robespierre was overthrown and placed under arrest; he was executed the following day.

In 1861, Union Gen. George B. McClellan was put in command of the Army of the Potomac.

In 1866, Cyrus W. Field finally succeeded, after two failures, in laying the first underwater tele-

graph cable between North America and Europe.

In 1940, Bugs Bunny made his official debut in the Warner Brothers animated cartoon "A Wild Hare."

In 1953, the Korean War armistice was signed at Panmunjom, ending three years of fighting.

In 1960, Vice President Nixon was nominated for president at the Republican national convention in Chicago.

In 1974, the House Judiciary Committee voted 27-11 to recommend President Nixon's impeachment on a charge that he had personally engaged in a "course of conduct" designed to obstruct justice in the Watergate case.

In 1976, Air Force veteran Ray

Brennan became the first person to die of Legionnaires' disease following an American Legion convention in Philadelphia.

In 1980, on day 267 of the Iranian hostage crisis, the deposed Shah of Iran died at a military hospital outside Cairo, Egypt, at age 60.

In 1996, terror struck the Atlanta Olympics as a pipe bomb exploded at the public Centennial Olympic Park, killing one person and injuring more than 100.

Ten years ago: Louisiana Gov. Buddy Roemer vetoed a tough abortion bill passed by the state Legislature. A mistrial was declared in Raymond Buckey's retrial on charges of molesting children at the McMartin Pre-School in California.

Five years ago: The Korean War Veterans Memorial was dedicated in Washington by President Clinton and South Korean President Kim Young-sam.

One year ago: The House approved President Clinton's one-year extension of normal trade with China. In an overwhelming defeat for major league umpires, their threatened walkout collapsed when all the umpires withdrew their resignations; however, about one-third of them ended up losing their jobs anyway. A flash flood in Switzerland claimed the lives of 21 people, 18 of them tourists. With Air Force Col. Eileen Collins at the controls, space shuttle Columbia returned to Earth, ending a five-day mission.

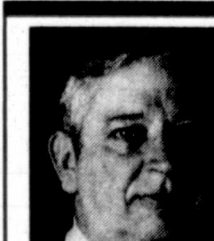
Self-government is worth any struggle

Okay, do you want to live in an independent United States, or would you prefer to be incorporated into a world government?

It's no contest, as far as I'm concerned. I will answer to no law; except those of the United States. I believe it would be a crime if the present generation resubmerges the United States into a world empire after our forefathers fought a bitter war to get us out of one.

And why did they do that? Because they believed that the people in this land ought to have the right to govern themselves, to write their own laws, to set up their own form of government. That's what the Declaration of Independence states:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness — that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and to institute new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness."



Charley Reese
Syndicated columnist

There is the essence, the principles of the American Revolution.

Rights come from God and cannot be taken away or transferred. That's what unalienable meant. Our rights, so our forefathers believed, are beyond the reach of man.

The sovereignty lies with the people, not with the government. The people set up the government for the sole purpose of protecting their rights. Its only "just" powers are those given to it by the people.

When government abuses the rights of the people, the people have the right to overthrow it. That, of course, is just what they did with the British colonial administration. They seceded from the British Empire.

Later in the Declaration, this right to revolution is emphasized. It states: "But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is

their right, it is their duty, to throw off such a government."

So whenever Americans see a lot of abuses and usurpations of their rights that show a pattern of intending to place them under a nonfree government, they not only have the right but the duty to throw that government off. And the only way a despotic government can be thrown off is with force and violence.

Now, I hope, you see why the right to keep and bear arms "shall not be infringed." It would be stupid to say to people that they have the right and the duty to overthrow an abusive government but deny them the right to have the means to do so. And the right to keep and bear arms is one of those unalienable rights that comes from God, not from the government. That's why Americans should oppose licensing gun owners. Rights don't need a government license, and if a government license is required, then it is not a right.

America, as it was conceived by our Founding Fathers, was the most wonderful country in the history of mankind. Naturally, we have messed it up, but at least as a minimum, today's generation of Americans should not surrender the independence of their country to any type of international government.

The trick is to back off and look at the big picture. Don't ever give up what you are celebrating July 4. Your freedom depends on it.

Ribbon-cutting



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Reed Echols cut the ribbon signifying the opening of the new addition of Good Samaritan Services, Inc. Mayor Bob Neslage commended the many volunteers for their outstanding work in helping local residents who are in need.

Three teens, woman die in two-car crash

LONE GROVE, Okla. (AP) — Three local teen-agers on their way to a water park in Dallas were killed along with an Edmond woman in a Wednesday morning crash just miles south of the Oklahoma border.

Dusty Cain, 16, Bobby Tidwell, 15, and Isaac Covey, 16, were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident on Interstate 35 near Gainesville, Texas, said the Texas Department of Public Safety.

"They were very involved in the community as far as athletics and everything and just real good upstanding kids that everyone liked and respected," said Morgan Ashworth, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Lone Grove which was opened to grieving students, parents and teachers.

Also killed in the accident was Priscilla Hinahon, 41, who was airlifted to a hospital in Fort Worth, where she was pronounced dead on arrival, authorities said.

Officer Lonny Haschel said the accident occurred at 9:39 a.m., as Cain was driving south on I-35 with Tidwell and Covey as passengers.

Cain attempted to pass a truck, apparently failed to negotiate a curve and went into the oncoming lane where the vehicle he was driving was hit broadside by one driven by Hinahon, authorities said.

Cain and Covey were football players at Lone Grove High School, located a few miles west of Ardmore in southern Oklahoma.

"They're both all-American kids," said Lone Grove football coach Kevin Grigsby of Cain and Covey.

He said the two were each "the type of kid that I would want my son to grow up to be."

Grigsby said he did not know Tidwell, who was to have been a freshman this year and was focusing on baseball and basketball.

Grigsby, who has been the football coach since January, said dozens of the 42 players on his

team had been by his office since the crash, asking the question, "Why?"

Grigsby said he told the players he couldn't answer the question. "That's something nobody can answer," he said.

He expects a long healing process. Players have been working out with weights at 7 a.m. and Grigsby said he expected them to come in and talk Thursday. "I'm big into letting seniors make decisions on a team," he said.

Grigsby said the other players referred to Cain as "Rudy," a reference to the undersized Notre Dame walk-on Rudy Ruettiger, who played only once despite all his years of practice.

"He hadn't started, but he was working his time. He worked very, very hard," Grigsby said. "You never had to look to see if he was here."

Covey had started for the team last year and would have done so again this year, Grigsby said.

Grigsby said the boys were among a group of at least seven people headed for a water park in Dallas. A parent driving a car carrying three children was in front and saw the crash in the rearview mirror, Grigsby said.

Ashworth said the trip was organized by the students and parents and was similar to other trips the group took every year.

"It was my understanding that it was an annual thing they had done every year, maybe not at a water park but some other activity," Ashworth said.

Ashworth said in a town of about 4,500 people and with only one high school, the accident is likely to leave scars for some time.

"Anytime there's a crisis like that, it's always a stressful and traumatic time and people need to work to process that. The kids will be missed," Ashworth said.

Texas round up ...

Man who killed teen, hurt chaplain executed

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — State officials finished what condemned killer Juan Soria had been trying to do for months when they put him to death.

Soria, 33, his body covered with self-inflicted cuts as he repeatedly tried to mutilate and kill himself, was executed Wednesday evening for the 1985 stabbing death of a Fort Worth teen-ager abducted and killed so Soria could steal his car.

The punishment came six weeks after Soria nearly severed the hand of a prison minister in a death row razor attack.

"By anybody's standard, 15 years is too long," said Edward Bolden, whose son, Allen, 17, was killed by Soria and who watched through a window a few feet away as Soria received lethal injection.

Soria, his voice barely audible, repeatedly invoked Allah and spoke of love in a final statement that concluded with him comparing the execution to going into surgery.

Soria became the second condemned killer to be executed in Texas this month in Texas and 26th this year. At least six executions are scheduled for August.

Oil-related GOP ticket spurs debate

HOUSTON (AP) — One grew up in the oilfields made famous by the movie "Giant," returning after college to start his own firm. The other took over a major oil-field services company after a long Washington career.

Observers disagree about what the pairing of Republican presidential contender George W. Bush and his running mate, Halliburton Co. chief executive Dick Cheney, will mean for an industry that could send two of its own to the White House.

Republicans are minimizing Cheney's recent role in the business, focusing instead on his past political life. Democrats have spewed a gusher of barbs, calling the pair the "dream team for the U.S. oil industry" on an attack Web site.

"Having an oil industry insider coming into the vice presidency just adds to Bush's already weak stance on the environment," said Brian Sybert, natural resources director for the Sierra Club's Lone Star Chapter.

GOP delegates want education as priority; Dems say health care

WASHINGTON (AP) — Delegates to the Republican National Convention say education should be the No. 1 priority of the next president, while Democratic delegates put health care at the top of their list, according to interviews by The Associated Press.

Education is a close second for the Democratic delegates, who will convene in Los Angeles

beginning Aug. 14. Taxes are No. 2 for the Republicans, whose convention begins Monday in Philadelphia.

The concerns shown in the AP interviews of both delegations are in line with the major platform issues of the parties' nominees. Republican Texas Gov. George W. Bush has promised education reforms and deep tax cuts, while Democratic Vice President Al Gore has pledged to make sweeping changes in health care as well as implement various education measures.

"We're the greatest nation on Earth and we have people who can't afford to go to the doctor, or who can't afford the premiums that insurance companies charge," said Democratic delegate Linda Stoval of Casper, Wyo.

Big GOP donors to get VIP convention treatment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fishing with House Speaker Dennis Hastert. Cocktails with retired Gen. Colin Powell. Golf with a senator. Ringside drinks with former boxing champion Larry Holmes or an afternoon with race driver Bobby Labonte.

For those who have donated five- and six-figure checks to the Republican Party, the nominating convention in Philadelphia next week is an extravaganza worthy of "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous."

There'll be cocktail parties galore, luxury skyboxes to watch the convention goings-on and countless events offering the lure of casual access to Washington's power brokers.

The attraction is "going to events that are not boring cocktail events in nondescript locations but events that give them a feel for the city and our rich history and our culture," said Martin J. Silverstein, a Philadelphia lawyer and GOP donor.

Silverstein, who is one of Texas Gov. George W. Bush's \$100,000-plus fund-raising pioneers, will be host for a dinner at his home for GOP senators and donors who have given at least \$10,000 to GOP Senate candidates. He also has a list of events he wants to attend.

Stalkers' prosecution hindered, authorities say

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Texas' anti-stalking law, repeatedly revised but infrequently

used, is difficult to enforce because of the requirement to meet the state's burden of proof, authorities say.

The law, enacted in 1993, requires proof that a stalker repeatedly threatened to hurt or kill the victim. But prosecutors and police say that's not how most stalkers operate.

Instead, investigators say, stalkers might leave a rose on the victim's car or make repeated calls in behavior that is not necessarily threatening.

"Stalking's more difficult to prove than murder 90 percent of the time," Hurst police Detective Stephen Safran, who works in the department's family violence unit, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in Thursday's editions.

Harassment, criminal mischief or criminal trespass — charges easier to prove than stalking and carrying the same misdemeanor punishment — are often pursued, even though the stalking law that has undergone two revisions since it was enacted makes second offenses a felony.

Houston, Galveston consider consolidating ports, voters to decide

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — Leaders in Houston and Galveston have agreed to merge the state's largest and the state's oldest ports, but mutual distrust between the port cities' residents may scuttle the historic deal.

The Galveston City Council Wednesday unanimously approved the proposal, but details of merging with the world's eighth largest port, which ranks first in the nation in foreign tonnage and second in total tonnage, must be ironed out before a February vote.

"We have to go through an election, and elections are always an unknown," Port of Houston chairman James T. Edmonds told The Galveston County Daily News in Thursday's editions.

Under a state law passed last year, a navigation district like the Port of Houston to annex land and issue bonds to finance the district. But citizens on the land — in this case Galveston — need to approve of the annexation.

The city's have a long-standing shipping rivalry dating back to the turn of the century.

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PHS's Publications Department to hold first annual yard sale

Many changes have been made to the PHS Publications Department to make the 2000-2001 school year more productive.

The *Little Harvester* staff will soon be out selling ads for the first paper.

"We hope to have more support from the community business this year," Callie Veal, co-managing editor said.

The *Little Harvester* will still be inserted into the *Pampa News* for over 7,000 readers to enjoy.

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This school year the *Little Harvester* will be handed out every three weeks instead of just once a month.

"I am really excited about

this year's staff producing our newspaper every three weeks. In years past the newspaper was produced five or six times a year at the most," Miranda Bailey, PHS Journalism adviser, said. "But publishing the paper 11 times in one year says quite a bit about this year's newspaper editorial staff."

To help achieve their goals this year, *The Little Harvester* staff will be selling old photographs, yearbooks as well as clothing, furniture and toys this Saturday, July 29, in the PHS lawn on the east side of the building next to the tennis courts.



(Special photo)

Shauna Broaddus, editor-in-chief of *The Little Harvester*, sorts through things to be sold at the publication's yard sale, July 29, in front of the high school.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

THEE PLACE

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

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP

If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day — noon till 1 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

LAS PAMPA WATER GARDEN AND KOI SOCIETY

Las Pampa Water Garden and Koi Society meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Austin Elementary School. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Lance DeFever.

FLEA MARKET FUND-RAISER

A "Community Wide Flea Market" is slated for 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, July 29 at the Miami Events Center (Old Bartlett Building) on Hwy 60 in Miami. Proceeds from the flea market will benefit the City of Miami-Bartlett Fund. A variety of booths will offer many items for sale including furniture, books, music, appliances, tools, clothing and other odds and ends. Vehicles and large items are welcome. Indoor and outdoor booth space is still available. For booth information, contact Diane, (806) 868-5021, or Carole, (806) 868-4271.

TIMELESS TREASURES QUILT GUILD

Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 29 at Methodist Family Enrichment Center, 6th and Quinn, Guymon, Okla. Participants should bring a salad or sandwiches to share for lunch. Nancy Barrett will present two days of quilting workshops including a six-hour class on double wedding ring pattern. Cost of the class is \$25. Cost for the Saturday morning trunk show and applique workshop will be \$15. For more information, call Cheryl Ashpaugh at (580) 338-3677. Barrett will also give a special presentation at 7 p.m. Thursday free of charge.

PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

Pampa Prison Ministry will meet Aug. 8, the second Tuesday in August instead of the first Tuesday of the month. The group will resume its normal meeting time in September.

CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

The City of McLean will hold its second annual city-wide garage sale from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5. Free maps of all sites are available at the McLean Post Office, Texaco Country Corner or Taylor Mart. For more information, call the McLean Chamber of Commerce at (806) 779-0000.

FPC

Frank Phillips College has announced the following upcoming continuing education and community service courses for the month of July: "Basic Life Support Class," 8 a.m.-6 p.m., July 15; "How to Publicize Your Organization?," 1-5 p.m., July 21, 28 and Aug. 4; and Kids' College Session IV. For more information, call 1-800-687-2056, ext. 777.

LIFE AFTER LOSS

American Cancer Society and Crown of Texas Hospice will sponsor a four-week "Life After Loss" seminar for those who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Aug. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at Crown of Texas Hospice, 10000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo. To register or for more information, call (806) 353-4306.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: July 28, Shepherd's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, and Aug. 14, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

ACT DEADLINE

The next ACT Assessment test will be administered Sept. 23. College-bound students must register for the college admissions and placement exam by Aug. 18. There is a late registration postmark deadline of Sept. 1 but an extra fee is charged for late registrations. Students can register for the ACT via their high school counselors or on-line at www.act.org. The website has sample tests and other helpful information.

BARDS OF BURBANK

Bards of Burbank is holding a poetry contest for religious poems with a \$1,000 grand prize. Deadline for entry is Aug. 4. To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, PMB250, 2219 W. Olive Ave., Burbank, CA 91506; or enter on-line at www.friendlypoets.com.

BOY SCOUTS

The Golden Spread Council of Boy Scouts of America is open to boys between the ages of 6 and 18 and includes a 27-county area in the Texas Panhandle. The BSA program includes Club Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing, a new program for 14- to 20-year-old boys and girls. For more information, call (806) 358-6500.

CASE

Cultural Academic Student Exchange is seeking families of all types — retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples — to host a high school exchange student. For more information, call 877-846-5848.

TEACHERS CONSERVATION INSTITUTE

Registration is currently under way for Texas Forestry Association's week-long Teacher's Conservation Institute summer workshop to be held June 25-30, July 9-14 and July 16-21. Teachers will receive a first-hand look at forestry in East Texas by touring forest product mills, a Tree Farm, a logging operation, a nursery and a seed orchard. They will also be trained in Project Learning Tree and Project WILD. The first session is currently full but spaces are still available for the other two sessions. Registration is \$75 and includes all food, lodging and materials for a week. For a free brochure or for more information, call TFA at (409) 632-TREE; e-mail ccalhoun@texasforestry.org; or write P.O. Box 1488, Lufkin, TX 75902.

TEXAS' ANNIVERSARY TICKETS

Tickets for the 35th anniversary season of the outdoor musical drama "TEXAS" (June 7-Aug. 19, 2000) are now available for purchase on-line at www.texasmusicaldrama.com. For more information, call (806) 655-2181.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BOOKLET

The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, D.C., recently published a 32-page booklet, "Free & Low Cost Prescription Drugs." The revised third edition provides information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Institute Fulfillment Center, Prescription Drug Booklet # PDF-370, P.O. Box 462, Elmira, NY 14902-0462. The information is also available at www.institute-dc.org.

U.S.N. ARMED GUARD VETERANS

U.S.N. Armed Guard World War II veterans are seeking former gun crew members. The guards were a special branch of the WWII Naval Service who manned guns and communications on Liberty Ships, tankers, troopships and other small crafts. Contact: U.S.N. Armed Guard WWII Veterans, Charles A. Lloyd Chairman, 115 Wall Creek Drive, Rolesville, N.C. 27571 919-570-0909. Ex-guards should include a list of ships served aboard along with dates on and off for computer data file to help locate other shipmates. The U.S.N. Armed Guard 19th National Reunion will be May 21-24, 2000, at Drawbridge Estate Hotel in Fort Mitchell, Ky., 1-800-354-9793-9866.

AMERICA'S HOMECOMING QUEEN

America's Homecoming Queen, Inc., a non-profit organization promoting education, educational travel and non-violence in schools will celebrate its 20th anniversary in 2000 for 1981-00 high school homecoming queens. For more information, call, e-mail or write: (901) 794-8680; Telee@pacbell.net; 6135 Mt. Moriah, Suite 111, Memphis TN, 38115.

T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

T.O.P.S. #41

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

AL-ANON

Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky.

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Comptroller projects \$1.4 billion budget surplus for state

AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander outlined the factors contributing to an expected \$1.4 billion surplus in the state's coffers.

"This preliminary budget estimate is very, very conservative," Comptroller Rylander said. "We have \$1.1 billion more than we anticipated in the bank today, and we will add another \$300 million by Aug. 31."

"The state's budget is very sound and we have the figures to back up these estimates to take to the analysts who set the state's bond ratings. High bond ratings mean lower interest rates for our short-term notes that we sell every year at this time. That means we can save millions of dollars for Texans."

Comptroller Rylander will travel to New York City Aug. 1-2 to meet with Wall Street analysts to discuss the state's excellent financial condition.

"If our ratings dropped and we had to pay a higher interest rate of 2 to 8 basis points, it would increase the state's cost any-

where from \$780,000 to \$3.1 million to service the debt," Rylander said. "Increasing the interest rate 10 to 25 basis points would add from \$3.9 to \$9.7 million in added debt service costs. That's why I must set the record straight."

"Our Texas economy is strong," she said. "Personal income in Texas is \$8 billion higher than our original forecasts for fiscal year 2000 and the gross state product is \$25 billion higher than forecast for the same period. And tax revenue is higher than previously estimated."

Comptroller Rylander said the surplus comes from \$655 million in sales tax; \$204 million from the motor vehicle tax; \$226 million from oil and gas severance taxes; and \$324 million from other sources.

"And we're going to increase the balance in the Rainy Day Fund by adding \$48 million at the end of the fiscal year," she said. "And that \$48 million is not included in the \$1.4 billion surplus."

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Western fire season worsens

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Two wildfires east of the state capital have blackened thousands of acres and forced dozens of evacuations — more misery as more than 70 fires burn across parts of 10 Western states.

The twin wildfires near Canyon Ferry Lake had consumed an estimated 20,000 acres by Wednesday. Officials said five cabins, three houses and numerous outbuildings have been destroyed.

"The extreme fire behavior is continuing, and we have absolutely no containment at this point," fire information officer Jodie Canfield said. "This is the first day we've been able to do some strategic firefighting. Until now, it's been all about protecting structures."

Forest Service spokesman Dave Turner said both fires were expected to burn actively Thursday, spewing smoke into the Helena Valley.

"We're just glad they saved the house because we had about 15 minutes to get out of there, and when we left we saw a wall of flames," said Gen Pedersen, who was among the first evacuees when the fires began Sunday.

Meanwhile, scattered puffs of smoke lingered throughout parts of Colorado's Mesa Verde National Park as firefighters continued their push to corral a 23,000-acre blaze.

Hiking miles through canyons and mesas and battling the fire in hot, dry weather has taken its toll. One firefighter had to be airlifted because of heat exhaustion, said fire information officer Don Cosby.

Aided by favorable weather and reduced vegetation from two areas that burned years ago, nearly 830 firefighters had managed to build enough fire line to contain about 40 percent of the fire Wednesday.

Some local officials questioned whether park officials worried too much about protecting sites in the nation's largest archaeological preserve and not enough about containing the fire that has closed the park and weakened the local economy.

"If they would have went about it the right way, it would have been out," said Charlie Mitchell, a member of the board of the volunteer fire department from nearby Mancos. "Get in there and aggressively fight the fire."

Mosquitoes carry virus

ELMSFORD, N.Y. (AP) — As he roared through the deserted streets of Westchester County, Herb Lawrence had no qualms about the poison mist geysering up from the bed of his pickup.

He had come from Illinois to help stamp out the West Nile virus, and had only one thought about the mosquitoes he was killing by the thousands: "I don't like 'em."

Lawrence, who works for Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management Inc. of Roselle, Ill., was one of 14 drivers deployed until the wee hours Wednesday in Westchester's latest assault on the virus.

An extensive effort to combat the virus is under way across New York, where an outbreak last year killed seven people. The virus also has been found in Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut and Maryland.

The big demand for its services has Clarke juggling its resources, especially when jobs come up suddenly, like the fumigation of Central Park ordered by New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani on Monday.

As the spraying spreads, so does concern about the insecticide, though Clarke says its product — Anvil, a synthetic version of an organic pesticide culled from the chrysanthemum — doesn't hurt humans or even butterflies at mosquito dosage. A group of environmentalists has asked a federal judge to stop the city from spraying.

Lawrence doesn't see what the fuss is about. "We're all used to this in Chicago," he said. "I guess this spraying is new here but if you ask me, I haven't seen anything wrong with it." He's suffered no ailments from being close to the pesticide for two summers, he said.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — It didn't take long for the first howls of dissent over a federal court order that will likely shut down Napster Inc.'s wildly popular online song-sharing service at midnight Friday.

"What's next ... shut down the free Internet?" one music fan wrote in a Napster chat room. Another, with the user name UnrEviL, wrote of record companies: "I'm never going to buy or listen to their music."

Chief U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel granted the preliminary injunction Wednesday at the request of the Recording Industry Association of America, which sued Napster in December for copyright infringement.

The judge said Napster had the

capability to police the unauthorized trade of copyrighted music through its system, but failed to do so.

"They've created a monster, for lack of a better term, and that's the consequence they face," she said. "I can't just let it go on."

Napster CEO Hank Barry said the company plans to appeal. "We intend to see this through in every venue, in every court."

An estimated 20 million Napster users worldwide will be affected by the court order in the landmark battle over Internet technology and intellectual property rights. The order applies only to copyrighted music, but Napster attorneys said it would cripple or shut down the swapping service.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Legislation to repeal a 1993 tax increase on the Social Security benefits of millions of senior citizens is up next for tax-cutting House Republicans, even as President Clinton admonished the GOP to "stop passing tax bills you know I'll veto."

The House was to vote Thursday on the bill, which would reduce taxes on Social Security for people with certain incomes — above \$34,000 for individuals and above \$44,000 for married couples — from 85 percent of benefits to the pre-1993 level of 50 percent. The bill's cost was estimated at \$100 billion over 10 years.

Rep. Bill Archer, chairman of the

House Ways and Means Committee, said the original purpose of the tax increase — reducing the federal budget deficit — has disappeared now that projections indicate surpluses of \$2 trillion over the next decade, not counting Social Security.

"The budget surplus is real, not imagined, and it means that the tax is no longer needed," Archer, R-Texas, said Wednesday in a letter to Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers.

In addition, money would be transferred out of the general budget surplus to make up for any losses in Medicare, where the tax proceeds are now transferred. About 9 million senior citizens now pay the higher tax rate, a number expected

to reach 13 million by 2010.

Democrats say the bill's promise to use general tax revenue for Medicare could come up short if the surplus projections are wrong. They planned to offer an alternative that would cut the Social Security tax for all but those beneficiaries with incomes above \$100,000 — but only if the surplus actually materializes.

The GOP bill, Summers said in his own letter, "is the latest in a series of costly and poorly targeted tax proposals" to emerge in Congress, reinforcing Clinton's comments at a news conference Wednesday that this summer's series of tax cuts wasn't the wisest use of the surplus.

PARIS (AP) — The pilot's loss of control points toward a ruptured turbine disc as the reason the ill-fated Concorde plunged to the ground in a streak of flames, a top aeronautics expert says.

Technical investigations should focus on turbine discs inside both engines on the left wing, including the No. 2 engine that caught fire shortly before takeoff in the accident Wednesday that killed 113 people, Raymond Auffray, an engineer and aeronautics adviser to Paris' Court of Appeal, said in the La Croix newspaper Thursday.

French authorities trying to determine what turned the sleek delta-winged jet into a furnace that dropped from the sky, were focusing on the mighty Rolls-Royce engines that power the world's fastest jetliners at twice the speed of sound across the Atlantic.

Officials said the fire that consumed the Concorde seconds after its takeoff from Charles de Gaulle airport probably started in the No. 2 engine.

Besides transcribing the plane's black boxes, Auffray said, investigators also must "recover what remains of the two left motors ... to evaluate them," adding that the "large flames that came out of the motors are not the cause, but (rather) the consequence of the accident."

The lack of control of the aircraft signals a ruptured turbine disc, Auffray said, which would cause the engine to destruct. The risk of such a rupture in normal circumstances is less than one in a billion for each hour of flight, so Auffray did not exclude the possibility of "intruding objects" in the engine.

Air France said mechanics had worked on engine No. 2 just before the takeoff. But government officials said it was too early to say if the repairs were linked to the cause of the accident.

Clown contest



(Special photo)

Wayne and Carol Stribling and the employees at Wayne's Western Wear want to thank all the contestants who participated in the retail store's Clown Contest. Rodeo Clowns: Greg Rumohr, Jim Bob Fellers, Clint Ferguson and Dustin Brewer. Queens: Jamie Reed, queen, and Candice Caldwell, teen queen. Clown contestants: Emily Ruhl, Gattin Taylor, Taylor Ramming, Tyler Ramming, Ethan Oxley, Brandon Oxley, Keenen McGee, Cooper Cherry, Austin Hendricks, Weston Hendricks, Jaeden Swires, Yancie McCuiston, Chaney McCuiston, Joseph Slatten, Drake Tolbert, Tate Tolbert, Tyler Fry, Ashley Bowlin, Nichole Bowlin and Kimberly Bowlin.

Man receives sentence in scissor stabbing case

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) — A man who fled to Texas after being accused of a fatal stabbing during a drunken brawl at a party has been convicted of first-degree manslaughter.

Ray Valencia, 21, of Yakima, tried on a charge of second-degree murder, was convicted of the lesser charge late Wednesday, the second day of deliberations by a Yakima County Superior Court jury that heard two weeks of testimony.

Evidence showed Kris Peck, 20, of Selah, was stabbed in the heart with a pair of scissors as he went to the aid of a friend during a fight at a bonfire party in the Wenas Valley on March 22, 1998.

Leaving his pregnant girl-

friend, Valencia fled and visited relatives in Michoacan, Mexico. He was arrested in May 1999 in McAllen, Texas, about 10 miles north of the Mexican border.

Valencia claimed he acted in self-defense after using the scissors to open beer bottles before the fight began.

"To say that we're disappointed just doesn't cut it. It's an understatement," defense lawyer Rick Smith said. "I thought that the facts were there, I thought that the evidence was there for an acquittal."

Deputy prosecutor Ken Ramm also was disappointed. He said jurors probably had a hard time sifting through the conflicting accounts of the

two sides in the fight, especially with the lack of cooperation from some witnesses.

"I think in these situations, jurors tend to compromise," Ramm said. "That's probably what they did."

Valencia faces 9 to 11 years in prison under state sentencing guidelines but will be given credit for more than a year in jail and may gain early release for good behavior behind bars. A date for sentencing was not immediately set.

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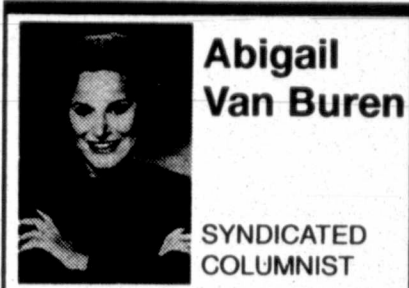
Vet Seeks Bigger Audience For Little-Known Part of War

DEAR ABBY: I read with interest the letter regarding Ralph George and his veterans' speaking program. I hope vets all over the country are doing this. I have — on my own — spoken to classes at both elementary and college levels. I have also spoken to service clubs.

I served in an area referred to as "the forgotten theater." The China-Burma-India theater is not even mentioned in many history books. When there is a program on World War II, it is usually devoted to Europe or the Pacific. The CBI (as we call it) was a hostile, unforgiving area, with high mountains, dense jungle, rampant disease (more men fell to disease than to enemy action), foul weather, and rain for half the year (200 to 300 inches). Furthermore, many of the mountain tribes were headhunters.

Many Americans are not aware that we were fighting in China and Burma almost a year before Pearl Harbor and for six months after Japan surrendered. The U.S. government is not even sure how many Americans served in the CBI — figures range from 200,000 to 750,000. However, most settle for 250,000 personnel. A friend who served in Europe told me that the CBI was used as a threat: "You foul up one time and you'll find yourself in the CBI!"

It's important for Americans to know we were there. Find a CBI veteran in your area and have him speak to your group. A friend of mine doesn't discuss it because he fears no one would believe him.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

BOB FAGELSON, NATIONAL HISTORIAN, CBI VETERANS ASSOCIATION

DEAR BOB: Since I printed that letter, I have heard from readers from both the United States and Canada, describing similar programs involving veterans groups. While I think that veterans sharing their personal experiences in the classroom is a terrific way to bring a chapter in our history to life, not all readers viewed it in the same way. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The letter from Ralph George about talking to children in classrooms was lacking in a very important point. He gave the impression that war is not so bad. Abby, the job of our armed forces in war is to kill people and destroy property. It's a terrible purpose. The talks should not ignore these realities.

Permit me to quote from a speech Franklin D. Roosevelt gave on Aug. 24, 1936: "I have seen war on land and sea. I have seen blood

running from the wounded. I have seen the dead in the mud. I have seen cities destroyed. I have seen children starving. I have seen the agony of mothers and wives. I hate war!"

STANTON SCHUMAN, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, GLENCOE, ILL.

DEAR STANTON: I agree that war is a tragedy and its realities should not be glossed over, but neither should they be belabored. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The veterans in the classroom program will not work. Most vets cannot tell you about their experiences because that would make them relive them. My brother was a four-time Vietnam vet, and he could not tell anyone what he did. Thank God he is dead and doesn't have to relive that part of his life over and over.

You should never ask vets to talk about major battles they have been in. What they saw was too horrible. I will never reveal some things he told me. They were unspeakable.

A VETERAN'S SISTER

DEAR SISTER: I respectfully disagree. When a trauma is locked inside, it cannot heal; it grows and festers until sometimes it takes over the person's life. Talking with professionals and others who have experienced the same horror is often therapeutic. Such programs are ongoing at VA medical centers — as well they should be. Until a person starts talking, he cannot start healing.

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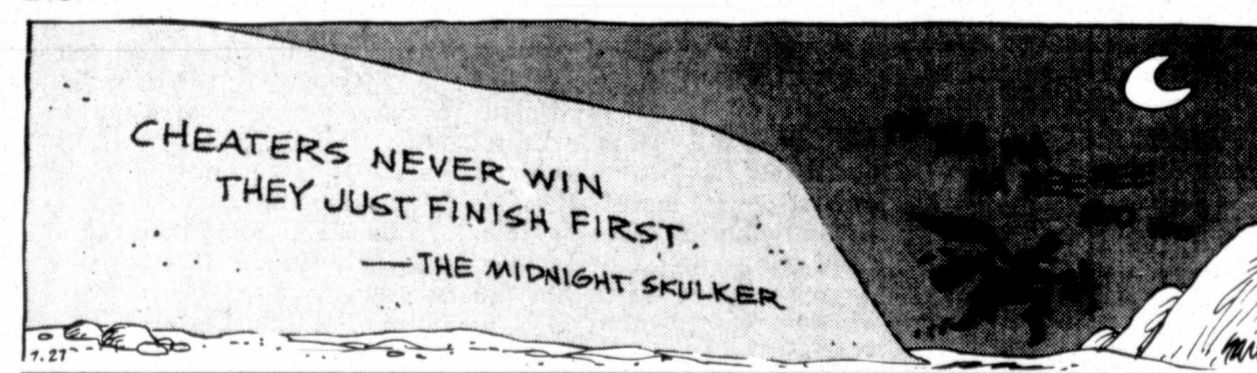
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Horoscope

FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Emphasize your security, especially when confronted with another's wild actions. Sometimes you need to put your foot down. What another perceives as the right way to go might be off. Pioneer fresh thinking. Don't settle for the fast solution. Tonight: Celebrate the weekend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Take the first step and make a call. Standing on ceremony gets no one anywhere. Superiors continue their unpredictability. Talk about your need for space. Discuss a change in work with a partner or roommate who always encourages you. Tonight: At favorite haunts.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Don't juggle finances, but make needed changes. Leave nothing to mystery. Understand more of what you can expect from work vis-à-vis promotions and growth. News can jolt you, but it reminds you that you can't take anything for granted. Tonight: Take another out for dinner.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Others find you magnetic. Make the best of the circumstances.

Make a reasonable request, or you'll get a strong reaction. An associate simply doesn't see a money matter the same as you do. Lighten up. Remember that you have many options in life. Tonight: Out on the town.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Make your best effort and put your best foot forward with a touchy associate or partner. Relax and take your time. Concentrate on your work. Focus on one item at a time. Someone you meet might be a lot different than your original impression. Tonight: Away from the social scene.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Keep your chin up, despite an immediate disappointment. Look at what is best for all in the long run. A co-worker acts unpredictably, and again you need to pitch in. Be realistic about your work. You might need a more stable environment. Tonight: Where the party is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Others look to you for answers. You accept responsibility and do what others can't or won't. Network and make new business contacts. You know what you want. Should another prove to be provocative, let this person fall back and do his thing. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Disruption encourages you to detach rather than react. A superior means well, and you put your best foot forward. Unexpected developments or reactions could toss your schedule into chaos. Seek the deeper meaning here. Look to streamline problems. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** You accept others' quirks far

more easily than others do. One-on-one relating proves to be instrumental with an emotional or business tie. Help this person understand the value of the present instability. Tonight: Greet the weekend with your best friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Others hold the cards, and you need to let them play their hands. You don't have as much control as you would like. Examine long-term goals with a partner. Quit taking any financial risks, as you are in a period where unexpected bills arrive. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Dig into work. Don't get entrenched in personal issues. Don't let your emotions go haywire; your effectiveness could be marred. You mellow out by concentrating on the here and now. Review work; clear your desk; make calls. Tonight: Be your wild self.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Use your imagination when you hit an obstacle. The real issue at hand might be how much this problem stems from your perspective. Try another approach. A co-worker's perspective helps you mellow out, as does a walk and relaxation. Tonight: Playful works.

BORN TODAY

Actress Sally Struthers (1948), author Beatrix Potter (1866), cartoonist Jim Davis (1945)

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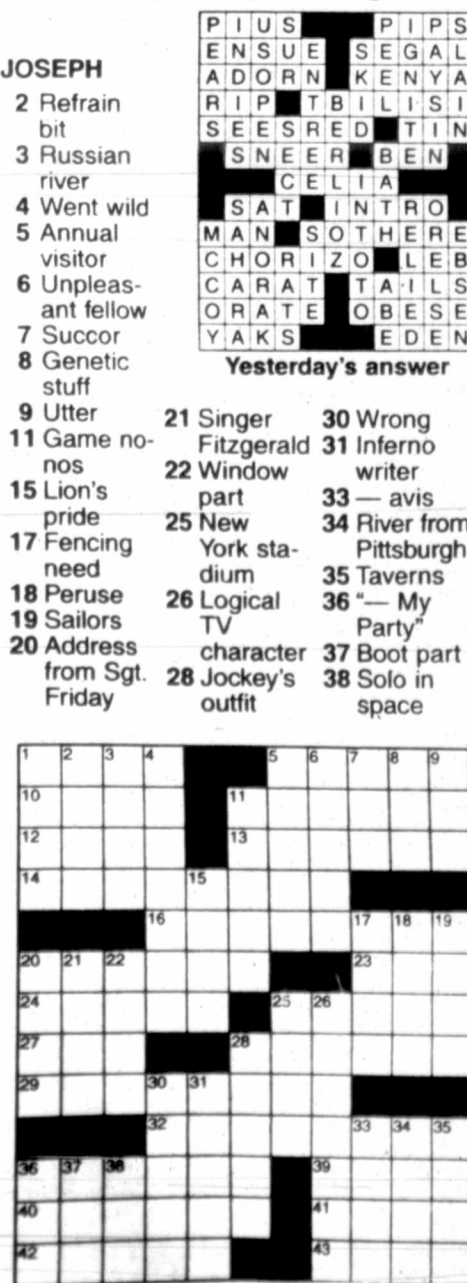
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The Family Circus



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SPORTS

Lubbock's Wilson grabs Tri-State lead

Notebook

PHYSICALS

PAMPA — Pampa Athletic Physicals will be held Aug. 5 at the Pampa Middle School from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Each student-athlete will need to have insurance information with them in order to fill out forms.

There is no charge for the physical, but this will be the only free physical for the coming year. All Pampa High School and Middle School coaches will be in attendance, so that parents will have an opportunity to meet them.

The physicals will be administered by our local doctors and The Pampa Regional Medical Center.

RODEO

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Kaily Richardson of Pampa is leading the 52nd Annual National High School Finals Rodeo in the pole bending competition after three performances.

Her time of 19.343 put her ahead of second-place Megan Yazel of Kiowa, Kan. (19.829) and Beck Wood of Scotts Hill, Tenn. (19.929). Angie Bennett of Rosharon, Tex. is also in the top ten with a time of 20.325.

Richardson also sits in seventh place in the All-Around Rookie Cowgirl Division.

The rodeo will continue through Sunday, with the cutting finals at 8 a.m. and the rodeo finals at 1 p.m.

GOLF

PAMPA — Tri-State Senior wives held a two-person scramble Wednesday at the Celanese golf course.

Results are as follows: 1. Joan Terrell and Barbara Stafford 39; 2. Polly Howard and Betty Cox 39; 3. Faye Cunningham and Mary Knight 42.

PAMPA — The Hidden Hills Ladies Golf Association is sponsoring a 9-hole scramble Monday, which is open to both men and women.

There will be a shotgun start at 6 p.m. Entry fee is five dollars, which includes both green fees and cart.

Deadline is Sunday. See David Teichmann or call the Hidden Hills pro shop for more information.

Prizes will be awarded.

CYCLING

NEW YORK (AP) — A year ago, the impact of winning the Tour de France was lost on cancer survivor Lance Armstrong.

Not the second time around.

Now, the Texan understands the significance of the world's grandest cycling race more completely.

"Last year, I didn't know the impact on my life and my career and my team," he said. "Now, I understand what the Tour is, the meaning of it. I crossed the finish line knowing that."

There was, most importantly, the nature of the competition. Last year, the Tour was still recovering after the event was rocked by a drug scandal.

Even Armstrong heard whispers. This year, the world's elite cyclists were back.

"For that reason, it was sweeter," Armstrong of Austin, Texas said. "Everybody was there. The Tour changes every year. This was a harder Tour. The course was not made for me. The course suited them, not me."

Which made winning it all the better, especially for a man who was given a 40 percent chance to live. Four years ago, Armstrong was diagnosed with testicular cancer. The disease surged through his body, spreading to his brain.

"In 1996, two months before I was diagnosed, the illness was raging," he said. "It's not that I felt bad, but I didn't compete well."

PAMPA — Defending champion Tommy Wilson of Lubbock jumped on top of the leaderboard with a 3-over par 74 in Wednesday's second round of the Tri-State Seniors Association Tournament at Pampa Country Club.

Wilson's two-round total of 148 gave him a one-stroke lead over Amarillo's Doug Barron. Medalist Scott Mack of Lubbock is in third place at 150.

Tri-State Seniors honored longtime member C.L. Duniven of Amarillo in today's final-round action. Duniven hit the first tee shot to kick off the last round of play.

Duniven won medalist honors in 1971 and 1975 and is an honorary member of the board of directors.

Tri-State Seniors Tournament (after two rounds)

Championship Flight

1. Tommy Wilson, Lubbock, 74-74—148; 2. Doug Barron, Amarillo, 74-75—149; 3. Scott Mack, Lubbock, 73-77—150; 4. (tie) Merle Terrell, Whitney, 75-76—151; Earl Simpson, Amarillo, 74-77—151; E.C. Roark, Lake Suzy, Fla., 76-75—151; John Pettit, Stillwater, Okla., 75-76—151; 8. (tie) Bob Sanders, Amarillo, 77-75—152; Eddie Rice, Dumas, 76-76—152; 10. (tie) Gary Bowe, Lubbock, 75-79—154; Tommy Tomlinson, Guyton, Okla., 75-79—154; 12. Glen Adams, Arlington, 80-75—155; 13. Miles Childers, Amarillo, 75-81—156; 14. Jerry Hughes, Stillwater, Okla., 75-83—158; 15. Bob Brent,

Amarillo, 76-83—159; 16. Bob John Dial, 79-77—156; 3. J.V. Clark, Burneyville, Okla., 80-77—157; 4. Ray Morgan, Lead Hill, Ark., 84-75—159; 5. (tie) Dwayne Kuntz, Abilene, 79-



Lubbock's Scott Mack tees off Wednesday in the second round of the Tri-State Seniors Tournament.

81—160; Don Babcock, Amarillo, 82-78—160; 7. Frank Stovall, Houston, 81-81—162; 8. (tie) James Stavenhagen, Shamrock, 84-81—165; Bill Clemmons, Fritch, 81-84—165; 10. Frank Howell, Amarillo, 84-83—167.

Super Seniors Flight

1. Don Riffe, 77-80—157; 2. Dill DeLoach, 81-78—159; 3. Edwin Nixon, 77-83—160; 4. Eldon Dudley, 81-80—161; 5. (tie) Harrold Salmon, 79-83—162; Sonny Adams, 82-80—162; Hugh Lorimer, 79-83—162; 8. Otto Knight, 83-82—165; 9. Steve Stevens, 84-85—169; 10. Jay Guillory, 84-91—175; 11. J.T. Webb, 90-90—180; 12. Bill Downing, 102-96—198.

First Flight Winners

Roy Woods def. Bill Allen, 3-2; Leldon—Blue def. Ted Armstrong, 4-3; Harvey Straight def. Gene Andruss, 5-3; Ken Pierce def. Mike Collins, 1-up.

Consolation

Tom Holmes def. LaWayne Hogan, 1-up; Monty Hamilton, bye; Chuck White def. Jack Cox, 4-3.

Second Flight Winners

Eddy Clemmons def. Tom Lomas, 7-5; Bill Scholz def. Joe Brown, 3-2; Quenton Estep def. Rex Lowe, 5-3; J.L. Howard def. Charlie Swearingen, 4-3.

Consolation

Mart Tomlinson def. Dale Haynes; Gene Steel def. Vern Johnston; Norman Sublett def. A.C. Louviere.

Third Flight Winners

Don Russell def. Gerald Creasy, 5-2; Larry Freeman def. Tobe Collins, 1-up; John

Blumberg def. Floyd Watson, 1-up 20; J.C. Beyer def. John Haynes, 6-5.

Consolation

Jack Phillips def. James Cunningham, 6-5; Dan Steen def. Larry Schneider, 1-up 19; Bill Riffe def. John Purdue, 1-up; Gerald Matsler def. Bill Fontenot, 2-up.

Fourth Flight Winners

Titus Owen def. Sam Bass, 2-up; Harry Frye def. Bert Uhlenhake, 1-up; Ben Mathers def. George Roach, 3-2; Ronnie Blackwell def. Jack Barry, 1-up.

Consolation

Pat Montoya def. Tom Murphy, 3-1; Hugh Boyd def. Rex Christian, 2-1; Larry Jones def. Walter Farr, 4-3; Jim Waterfield def. Frank McAleavey, 1-up.

Fifth Flight Winners

Don Curphey def. Steve Moore; Giles Cox def. Joe Donaldson; James Crawford def. Roy Blank; Joe Lowry def. Pete Swearingen.

Consolation

Bob Curry def. Mel Rittman, 1-up; Dick Humphrey def. Greg Ellis, 1-up; Buster Bennett def. Ralph Collingsworth, 3-2; Dick Stowers def. Delmer Jones.

Sixth Flight Winners

Roy Morris def. O.C. Penn, 3-2; Orville Stafford def. Joe Wheeley, 7-6; Scotty Scott def. Frank Kelley.

Consolation

Lynn Williams def. Lee Petty, 2-up; Pump Pumphrey def. Bill Shreckengast, 5-3; Bo Favor def. Leftee Burkan, 5-3; Oscar Keith, won by forfeit.

Rangers have back-to-back victories over Angels

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers appear to be hopelessly buried in the AL West standings, sitting in last place 9 1/2 games behind the Seattle Mariners. Earlier this week they watched in horror as their best player, Ivan Rodriguez, was lost for the season with a broken right thumb.

But the Rangers have acted in back-to-back victories as if they are still in contention.

Frank Catalanotto had a ninth-inning pinch-hit triple and Rusty Greer drove him in with a two-out single to give the Rangers a 6-5 victory over the Anaheim Angels on Wednesday night.

"For a few days there we started to have a sense that we were out of it," said Catalanotto, 9-for-20 as a pinch-hitter this season. "Now we're starting to think we're back in it again. These clutch wins are big."

The Rangers rallied to win after John Wetteland blew his seventh save in 33 chances by allowing an RBI single to Scott Spiezio in the ninth.

Wetteland and teammates David Segui and Luis Alicaia have been the subjects of trade rumors. The players may think they're still in the race, but management might not agree, especially with the trading deadline approaching.

"With Pudge (Rodriguez) out, any win right now feels nice," said Greer. "This builds character on the club. We hope we can carry this over the last two months of the season."

Catalanotto hit for Royce Clayton and his one-out drive off Al Levine (2-3) nearly sailed over the wall in right center. Catalanotto thought he had a shot at an inside-the-park homer when the ball bounced hard off the wall and back toward the infield. But third base coach Jerry Narron held him at third.

Angels manager Mike Scioscia moved center fielder Garret Anderson to first base to give the Angels a five-man infield. When Luis Alicaia flied out, Anderson returned to center.

Greer then singled down the

left-field line on Levine's 3-1 pitch to drive in the winning run, giving him 16 game-winning hits in Texas' final at-bat since the start of the 1995 season.

"With two outs and a sinker ball pitcher on the mound, I'm looking for a pitch that's up," Greer said following his fourth hit of the night. "He was keeping the ball down early in the count, but he got one up and I got a good swing on it."

Wetteland (4-3) picked up the victory as the Rangers won for the third time in four games.

Texas starter Matt Perisho allowed four runs and four hits in six innings. He struck out three and walked five.

Texas manager Johnny Oates thought Perisho pitched well overall, but the five walks negated a lot of the good things Perisho did.

"We're looking for consistency," Oates said. "He just walks too many people. Other than that, he threw great. He had a nice changeup and a super breaking ball. I'm just disap-

pointed with the walks in the middle of the lineup."

Gabe Kapler's two-run homer in the second off Scott Schoeneweis put Texas ahead 2-1. Kapler has homered in three straight games.

Tim Salmon continued to pound Rangers pitching, hitting a three-run homer in the sixth to narrow Texas' lead to 5-4. Salmon has 25 homers and 77 RBIs against the Rangers for his career, the most by any Texas opponent.

Schoeneweis, making his first start since June 16, allowed five runs and 10 hits in seven innings.

Schoeneweis was placed on the 15-day disabled list on June 17 with a strained right rib cage and was activated before Wednesday night's game.

Troy Glaus hit his 30th homer in the second to give Anaheim a 1-0 lead, tying Doug DeCinces' franchise record for homers by a third baseman set in 1982.

After Kapler's two-run shot in the second, Texas added three more runs in the fourth, one scor-

ing on Schoeneweis' wild pitch. Bill Haselman had a run-scoring double in the inning and Luis Alicaia drove in another run with an infield single.

Perisho's control problems cost him in the fifth. Kevin Stocker and Mo Vaughn led off the inning with walks and Salmon pounded a 3-1 pitch into the right-field bullpen for his 21st homer of the season.

The Angels lost the final two games of the three-game series that concluded Wednesday night, and were tied going into the ninth in the final two games.

"We're playing good ball," Scioscia said. "But there are no points for being in ballgames. We've won more than our share of close games early on. Sometimes the ball doesn't bounce your way."

Notes: To make room for Schoeneweis, the Angels sent infielder Justin Baughman to Triple-A Edmonton. ... Kapler has a 10-game hitting streak, one short of his career best. ... Texas continues to play well at home.

Pampa girls' softball team takes third at Sectionals

GRAHAM — Pampa All-Stars played White Settlement last weekend in the 11-12 girls' Sectional Softball Tournament with the winner advancing to the championship game.

White Settlement won 15-14 in an exciting contest that went three extra innings.

In the first inning, Pampa scored two runs off hits by Amy Youree and Cassy Tice.

With Nicole Clark pitching for Pampa, White Settlement was held scoreless in the bottom of the first.

In the second inning, White Settlement walked seven batters and Pampa had hits from Stephanie McVay, Amy Youree and Cassy Tice to score seven runs.

In the bottom of the second, White Settlement came back to score six runs to make the score 9-6.

In the third inning, neither team was able to score any runs. In the fourth inning, both Pampa and White Settlement scored one run to make the score 10-7.

The fifth inning was led off with Amy Youree doubling off a ball hit over the left fielder's head all the way to the fence. Pampa was able to score only one run.

Pampa shut down the White Settlement hitters, allowing only four batters to come to the plate. The score was now Pampa 11,

White Settlement 7.

In the sixth inning, White Settlement shut down Pampa on three straight hitters. White Settlement came up and scored four runs in their final at bat to the score at 11-11, sending the game into extra innings.

In the seventh inning, White Settlement shut down Pampa again without any runs. In the bottom of the seventh and White Settlement threatening with runners in scoring position, second baseman Britteni Rice made an outstanding catch to on a fly ball to shallow center field to keep the opponents scoreless.

In the eighth inning, White Settlement shut down Pampa to keep the score tied. Pampa then kept White Settlement scoreless by a strikeout and two outstanding catches by outfielders Kayla Debosc and Callie Cobb.

In the bottom of the ninth, White Settlement came back and scored four runs to win the game.

"Nicole Clark pitched the game of her life for Pampa, pitching six strong innings. Jackie Gerber came in and pitched fantastic in the final three innings of the game. After the game, all the spectators came up to the Pampa team and told them it was the most exciting, hard-fought game they had ever watched," said coach Mark McVay.

Pampa placed third in the tournament.

Women's scramble winners



Winners in the Tri-State Senior wives' four-person scramble at the Pampa County Club were (l-r) Mary Johnston, Lee Leith and Gloria Faver. Not pictured is Judy Bowe.

(Special photo)

GOP, Clinton spar over tax cuts and budget surplus

By CURT ANDERSON
AP Tax Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — As House Republicans prepared to pass a bill repealing a 1993 tax increase on Social Security benefits, President Clinton urged the GOP-led Congress to abandon their major tax cuts and work instead for wiser uses of the budget surplus.

"I say to Congress: stop passing tax bills you know I'll veto," Clinton told reporters Wednesday at the White House. "Start working with us on a balanced budget that cuts taxes for middle-class families, continues to pay off the national debt and invest in America's future."

The president repeated his charge that the combined cost of all GOP tax bills over the past two years — some of which are duplicates — would all but consume the \$2 trillion in budget surpluses projected over the next decade, not counting money for Social Security.

"In good conscience, I cannot sign one of these tax breaks after another without any coherent strategy for safeguarding our future and meeting other national priorities," Clinton said.

Republicans said they would push ahead

with more stand-alone tax cuts, including a bill scheduled for debate Thursday in the House that would cut taxes on Social Security for an estimated 9 million senior citizens, at a cost of about \$100 billion over 10 years.

GOP leaders also intend as early as Thursday to send the president the marriage penalty bill passed last week that would reduce income taxes by \$292 billion over 10 years for millions of married couples, including the 25 million who pay higher rates than they would if single.

Both bills have drawn veto threats, as has a bill to gradually repeal inheritance taxes at a cost of \$104 billion over 10 years. House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas, said Republicans believe the individual tax cuts are winners politically, especially if voters think the surplus would otherwise be spent on government programs.

"Bill Clinton needs to remember that it was only because Americans were overcharged to begin with that the government now has this surplus," DeLay said. "What we won't do is let the president waste the surplus on more Washington programs."

If Clinton vetoes the marriage penalty bill,

DeLay said an attempt to override the veto with a two-thirds House vote would be "the first order of business" when lawmakers return in September from their summer recess.

The estate tax repeal bill, DeLay said, will not reach Clinton's desk until September to allow voters a chance during August to "raise the pressure" on the president to sign the bill.

Clinton accused the Republicans of playing politics by manipulating the timing of the tax bills, saying they should all reach the White House in a package before the GOP national convention that begins on Monday.

"Then the American people can add up the costs and draw their own conclusions," the president said.

But DeLay said the process would make things clearer for voters.

"We're getting the bills passed. We'll put them on his desk and he can either sign them or veto them," DeLay said.

The Social Security tax bill to be debated Thursday would eliminate a tax increase on certain Social Security beneficiaries enacted in 1993 that now helps pay for Medicare. It imposes income taxes on 85 percent of the Social

Security benefits of individuals with incomes above \$34,000 and married couples above \$44,000.

The legislation would reduce the taxable amount of benefits beginning in 2001 from 85 percent to 50 percent, which was the pre-1993 level for those with incomes above \$25,000 for individuals and \$32,000 for married couples. In addition, money would be transferred out of the general budget surplus to make up for the losses in Medicare.

Rep. Bill Archer, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said that without the legislation, the number of senior citizens paying the tax could reach 13 million by 2010.

"This tax is a clear and present danger to their retirement security," Archer, R-Texas, said in a letter to Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers.

In his own letter, Summers said he would recommend that Clinton veto the bill because it would divert money from Medicare that could be used to create a prescription drug benefit or help keep Social Security solvent.

The bill, Summers said, "is the latest in a series of costly and poorly targeted tax proposals" from the GOP-led Congress.

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<p>5 Special Notices</p> <p>ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.</p>	<p>14s Plumbing/Heat</p> <p>JACK'S Faucet Shop, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115. Faucets, Plumbing Supplies & Repair Parts.</p>	<p>WORK FROM HOME</p> <p>\$300-\$1500 mo. pft \$5,000 + mo. ft 800-878-9152</p>	<p>60 Household</p> <p>JOHNSON HOME FURNISHINGS Rent 1 piece or house full Washer-Dryer-Ranges Bedroom-Dining Room Livingroom 801 W. Francis 665-3361</p>	<p>75 Feeds/Seeds</p> <p>FOR Swathing & Baling. Call Timmy Bichsel 883-2152</p>	<p>96 Unfurn. Apts.</p> <p>CAPROCK Apts. 1,2,3 bdrm starting at \$249. Call for Move-In Specials. All utilities included available. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool, washer & dryer hook-ups in 2 & 3 bdrms, fireplaces. No application fee. 1601 W. Somerville, 665-7149. Open Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30, Sat 10-4, Sun 1-4.</p>	<p>98 Unfurn. Houses</p> <p>CLEAN 1 bedroom, stove, refrigerator, all bills paid. 669-3672, 665-5900</p>	<p>98 Unfurn. Houses</p> <p>NICE 2 bd home, evap cooler & stove. \$320 mo, \$200 dep. Ref. required 1105 Duncan, 665-6215.</p>	<p>103 Homes For Sale</p> <p>2 bdr., c/h, 405 N. Perry, \$12,500 Lrg. 3 bdr. w/ utility & dining rooms, 505 N. Dwight, \$15,000 Will Finance 665-4842</p>	<p>120 Autos</p> <p>Doug Boyd Motor Co. "On The Spot Financing" 821 W. Wilks 669-6062</p>
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<p>A-1 Concrete Const. Get a free estimate for all your concrete projects. 665-2462, 663-6414.</p>	<p>ASSISTANT SALES-MANAGER, Saber Management, LLC of Pampa is looking for applicants for the assistant managers position for direct-in-home sales, please call 669-7605 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</p>	<p>OWNER-OPERATORS Our owner-operators pull refrigerated trailers to all points in the West, Southwest, Midwest and North-west United States. We have low deadhead, high revenue per mile and plenty of work. This is an easy sign-on lease with no front money required. Our owner-operators make money and so can you! For details call Booker Transportation toll free at 1-877-951-1581.</p>	<p>LOOK Life For Less!! Storm shelters installed, \$400 off, 580-331-8651, 800-225-4808</p>	<p>LOWREY'S Waterwell Service. Water well needs repair, Service & Installation. Call (806) 669-1364</p>	<p>96 Unfurn. Apts.</p> <p>EXECUTIVE home in exclusive subdivision, 5 bdr., 3 ba., 2 fpls., lrg. stor., dbl. gar. 665-4842.</p>	<p>102 Bus. Rent. Prop.</p> <p>OFFICE Space for rent, 3 months free rent. 669-6841.</p>	<p>102 Bus. Rent. Prop.</p> <p>REAL nice office complex, 1600 sq. ft. New CH&A. Great parking. Call 665-3458</p>	<p>102 Bus. Rent. Prop.</p> <p>BEAUTY shop \$60 a week. Bills paid. 111 W. Foster, Jannie Lewis, Broker 665-3458</p>	<p>126 Boats & Access.</p> <p>'89 18 1/2 ft Pontoon Boat w/45 Mercury motor, 1313 Coffee, 665-6863.</p>
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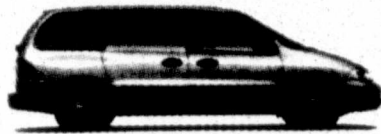
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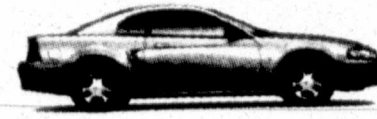
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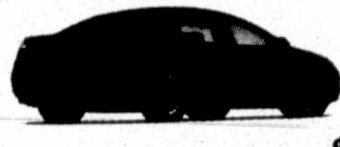
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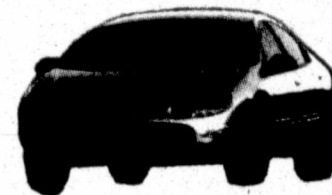
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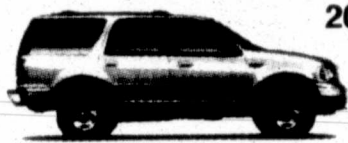
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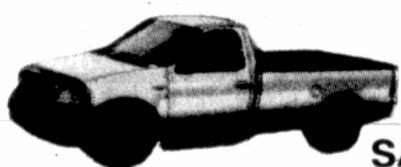
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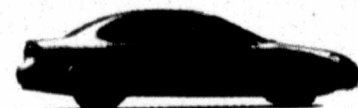
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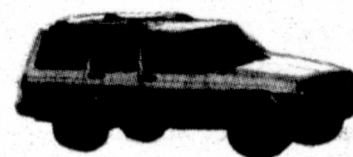
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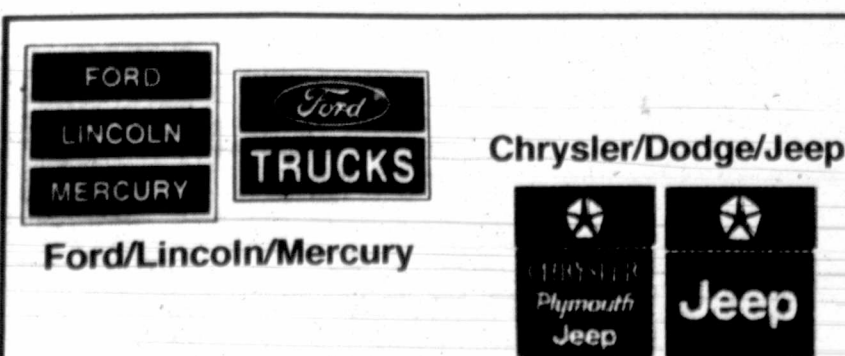
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P132	'98 Expedition, 4 Dr., 4x4	\$18,995
P124	'96 Toyota 4 Runner Limited	\$19,995
P108	'95 Suburban, 3/4 Ton, 4x4- MUST SELL	\$20,995
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