

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

GLEAVES, Anglee "Angie" — 10 a.m., Rose Chapel, Sayre, Okla.
KLEIN, Chester Arthur — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.
ROLING, Neva "Tudy" — 10 a.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Peoria, Ill.
SIRMANS, Bill — 11 a.m., First Christian church, Canadian.

Obituaries

ANGLEE 'ANGIE' GLEAVES
 SAYRE, Okla. — Anglee "Angie" Gleaves, 76, sister of a McLean resident, died Tuesday, July 6, 1999. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Rose Chapel with David Worsham and Tom Harguess officiating. Burial will be in Sayre-Dovey Cemetery under the direction of Rose Chapel Funeral Service.

Mrs. Gleaves was born at Magrigna, Ark., and moved to Elk City in 1930. She later lived at Grimes and Reydon, attending school at Rankin, Grimes, Emerson and Cheyenne in 1938.

She married Glen William Gleaves in 1940, south of Cheyenne. The couple lived in Texas, Sunny Point, Dempsey, Reed and Berlin prior to moving to Sayre in 1986. She retired from Hodges Nursing Home in 1988, after 18 years of service.

Following retirement, she provided private nursing care.

She belonged to Elk City Bible Baptist Church and Sayre AARP.

She was preceded in death by her husband and by an infant daughter, Ashely Renee Gleaves.

Survivors include a daughter, Glenda Whinery of Elk City; three sons, Al Gleaves of Canyon, Wayne Gleaves of Hobbs, N.M., and Lee Gleaves of Lawton, Okla.; a sister, Bertha Simpson of McLean; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

BILLY JACK HILTBRUNNER
 SHAMROCK — Billy Jack Hiltbrunner, 49, died Tuesday, July 6, 1999. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Eleventh Street Baptist Church with the Revs. Alan Burkhalter and Dale Dunn, both of Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Hiltbrunner was born Feb. 24, 1950, at Wheeler and grew up at Shamrock. He had been an Amarillo resident since 1969. He was a carpenter for The Ritter Company in Amarillo for the past five years and had previously worked at the Harrington Station Project in Amarillo and the Tolk Station in Earth. He wrote poetry and was recently published by The International Library of Poetry.

He belonged to Lamout Drive Baptist Church of Amarillo.

He was preceded in death by his father, E.L. Hiltbrunner, in 1979; and by a brother, Gary Keith, in 1975.

Survivors include a daughter, Tara Rana Hiltbrunner of Amarillo; his mother, Fern Hiltbrunner of Shamrock; a sister, Patricia Thompson of Amarillo; and three brothers, Boyce Hiltbrunner of Amarillo, Boyd Hiltbrunner of Shamrock and Donnal Hiltbrunner of Colorado Springs, Colo.

NAN LOUVENIA DAY LACHER
 Nan Louvenia Day Lacher, 56, of Pampa, died Wednesday, July 7, 1999. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

SYLENCE NORENE 'SY' SIEKER
 CANADIAN — Sylnence Norene "Sy" Sieker, 82, died Wednesday, July 7, 1999. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Resthaven Memorial Park at Midland with the Rev. Donald Halem, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church of Midland, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Stickle-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mrs. Sieker was born at Pond Creek, Okla. She graduated from Medford High School at Medford, Okla. She married Adolph Jonathan Christian "Zeke" Sieker in 1941 at Ellinwood, Kan.; he died in 1965. She moved to Midland in 1959.

She belonged to Grace Lutheran Church at Midland.

Survivors include two sons, A.J. Sieker of Canadian and Michael Jon Sieker of LaPort; a sister, Terry Muir of Glendale, Ariz.; two brothers, John Tribbey of Rogers, Ark., and Lt. Col. Ivan Tribbey, retired, of San Antonio; three grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials to be Grace Lutheran Church, 3000 W. Golf Course Road, Midland, TX 79701.

The body will be available for viewing until 3 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

BILL SIRMANS
 CANADIAN — Bill Sirmans, 64, died Tuesday, July 6, 1999. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Johnny Crawford officiating. Burial will be in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Stickle-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mr. Sirmans was born at McAlister, Okla. He married Verna Dean Campbell in 1954 at Pampa; she died in 1997. He had been a Canadian resident since 1967, moving from Pampa. He had previously lived throughout the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandles and was a warehouse manager for Dresser Magcobar Industries for 18 years. He retired from the oil-field in 1987.

He was a volunteer in distributing commodities and belonged to First Christian Church and Canadian Riding Club.

He was preceded in death by a son, David Bruce Sirmans, in 1980.

Survivors include a daughter, Christy Gallagher of Canadian; two sons, Michael Sirmans of Canadian and Robert Sirmans of Midlothian, a sister, Mary Hughes of Canadian; two brothers, John Sirmans of New Mexico and Bobby Sirmans of Florida; six grandchildren,

and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to be Hemphill County Hospice, 1020 S. 4th, Canadian, TX 79014.

EDITH F. ROBBIE WILSON

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Edith F. Robbie Wilson, 89, a former Lefors resident, died Tuesday, July 6, 1999. Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in East Funeral Home in Texarkana. Burial will be in Chapelwood Memorial Gardens in Wake Village.

Mrs. Wilson was born July 16, 1910, at Callisburg in Cooke County, Texas, to Erby and Zora Shepherd. She lived in Forestburg, Ringgold, Lefors and Sanger, Texas, prior to moving to the Texarkana area in 1965. She was an award-winning cook, excelling at tender greens, pie crusts, cakes and peanut brittle.

She was active in Methodist and Nazarene Churches and Ladies Service Clubs.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, Robert Cecil Wilson; and a son, Billie Joe.

Survivors include a son, Robert Wilson (Arlene) of Columbus; a sister, Pauline Larson of Fresno, Calif.; two brothers, Morris Shepherd and Marvin Shepherd; four grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Visitation will be from 4-5:30 p.m. and from 7-8:30 p.m. Friday in East Funeral Home in Texarkana.

Fires

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

Wednesday, July 7
 12:46 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to Price and Highway 152 on a spill.

6:14 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded north of the city on a controlled burn.

7:49 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center a Lifestar standby.

10:15 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 600 block of Bradley on a medical assist.

10:58 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center on a Lifestar standby.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, July 7
 8:26 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 west of Pampa; no patient transported.

10:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of Bradley and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Thursday, July 8
 2:27 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of North Dwight and transported one to PRMC.

3:43 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

Police report

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

Wednesday, July 7
 Theft was reported in the 1600 block of North Faulkner.

A gas drive off was reported in the 700 block of North Dwight.

Sheriff's Office

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

Wednesday, July 7
 Tommy Joe Cox, 23, 1216 E. Kingsmill, was arrested on a grand jury indictment for credit card abuse.

Tonja Jo Howe, 33, 1112 E. Browning, was arrested on a grand jury indictment for tampering with a government record.

Walter W. Lewis, 55, 509 Montague, was arrested on a bond surrender on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.15	
Milo	2.58	
Corn	2.97	
Soybeans	3.24	

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

Occidental	21 13/16	up 1/4
Magellan	131.94	
Puntan	20.87	

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

Amoco	113 9/16	up 1/8
Arco	87 11/16	up 11/16
Cabot	24 3/4	dn 3/16
Cabot O&G	18 7/8	dn 1/8
Chevron	99 3/8	dn 5/16

Coca-Cola	62 9/16	dn 7/16
Columbia/HCA	22 7/16	dn 5/16
Enron	84 3/16	up 9/16
Halliburton	45 3/16	up 1 1/16
IRI	5	dn 1/16
KNE	12 7/16	dn 1/8
Kerr McGee	53 9/16	up 5/8
Limited	47 9/16	up 1/16
McDonald's	40 5/8	dn 7/16
Mobil	104 3/8	up 3/4
New Atmos	24 1/8	dn 5/16
NCE	37 7/8	dn 3/16
Penney's	47 7/16	dn 1 5/16
Phillips	51 15/16	up 7/16
Pioneer Nat. Res.	11 9/16	up 3/16
SLB	61 13/16	up 1 1/2
Tenneco	24 7/16	NC
Texaco	66 3/16	up 1 1/16
Ultramar	22 13/16	up 5/8
Wal-Mart	46 5/8	dn 1 1/8
Williams	43 13/16	up 1 1/8
New York Gold	257.15	
Silver	5.22	
West Texas Crude	19.80	

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	1-800-750-2520
Water	669-5830

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CHASE

Salesman Dale Adams got suspicious when Bates didn't return right away and went to find him. Adams saw Bates and demanded he return the pickup, according to Thompson.

Instead, Bates took off north out of Clarendon with Adams in pursuit. Adams called the Donley County Sheriff's office on a cell phone but had trouble getting through because of interference and so, for a while, it was only the two civilians in the chase.

Donley County soon got involved and called the Gray County Sheriff's Office because Bates was headed for the county line.

Thompson said he is grateful to Gray County Sheriff's Deputy Jim McDonald who responded quickly by blocking some roads. He also thanked Sheriff Don Copeland and the rest of the deputies of Gray County for their quick response. Approximately six Gray County Deputies and the sheriff were involved in a chase that weaved through several county dirt roads.

Several DPS Troopers soon joined in the pursuit and it was believed Bates was armed.

As deputies caught sight of the pickup it stopped and by the time they reached it Bates had baled out and was on foot 3-5 miles south of Allanreed.

Thompson got hold of Jordan Prison Unit Warden Fernando DeLaRosa who Thompson said "bent over backwards" to help.

DeLaRosa dispatched the unit's search team including dog handlers Sgt. Don Brown and Alfonso Almonza along with the dogs and three horses for the search.

Soon, two DPS helicopters were also dispatched, probably out of Lubbock, to aid in the manhunt. Thompson said he greatly appreciated the help of the DPS in the chase.

When word that tracking dogs were on their way officers blocked off the roadways to prevent Bates from getting out on the road.

Despite Bates' threats to not be taken alive he was not armed and offered no resistance, officers said.

The pickup was returned to McKinney's Motors and Bates was taken to Donley County Jail. He is charged with auto theft in Donley County and will also face charges of parole violation in Swisher County. Bond had not been set as of press time today.

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SHORTAGE

Justice spokesman. But he noted that "even with the vacancy rate, all primary positions — guards in cellblocks, in dorms, in hallways, in towers and at security gates — are staffed."

A high-ranking prison system administrator, requesting anonymity, blamed the escape on a single oversight rather than the staff shortage.

"An officer just made a mistake and didn't lock the handcuffs," the administrator told The Associated Press on Wednesday. "One human mistake can lead to some bad results in our business."

Jones, who was 12 years into a 26-year sentence for fatally shooting a Dallas man and wounding a police officer, was recaptured after a 49-hour manhunt.

The inmate was being escorted by a female guard to the recreation area when he slipped one hand out of his restraints and threatened the guard with the serrated edge of the loose handcuff. He then climbed a fence and squeezed through an 8-inch gap under the roof.

The gap had been recognized as a security risk and corrected at four other prisons modeled on the Estelle facility, but no changes were made at the Huntsville-area unit until after Jones' escape.

The Texas Board of Criminal Justice, the prison system's governing body, is conducting an official inquiry into the escape. Results of the investigation will be discussed later this month when the board

meets in San Antonio.

Of 198 guard jobs at the Estelle Unit, only 167 were filled when Jones made his escape. Texas prisons had 1,068 job openings for guards in June, 5 percent of the total number of slots. The state currently employs 23,755 guards.

"Any time you operate at less than 100 percent you risk problems," Texas Board of Criminal Justice chairman Allan Polunsky told the American Statesman.

Board member A.M. "Mac" Stringfellow, who is leading the inquiry, said employee vacancy rates are "definitely a concern" at the Estelle Unit and at almost every other prison in Texas.

Gary Johnson, prisons director for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, blamed Texas' booming economy, job conditions and low salaries for the short staffing.

"People are simply leaving for other jobs that pay more, and even though we're putting four-to-five hundred new officers a month in training, we just can't keep up with the attrition rate," Johnson told the Statesman.

Starting salary for a guard is just more than \$17,724 a year, and less-than-desirable working conditions make recruitment difficult.

"The salary and stresses of the job are the two biggest detractors to these jobs," said Larry Todd, a prison system spokesman. "Just like the ballet is not for everyone, being a correctional officer is not for everyone."

New jobless claims drop again; consumers on June shopping spree

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declining claims for jobless benefits and rising retail sales are providing fresh evidence of a booming economy.

Claims for jobless benefits fell unexpectedly last week, the Labor Department said today. The number of Americans filing new claims dropped for the second week in a row to the lowest level in more than three months.

And, most of the nation's largest retailers said today that their June sales rose to better-than-expected levels.

Discount chains, such as Wal-Mart, Target and Kmart, reported the biggest gains. Specialty clothing stores including the Limited and the Gap also fared well as did department stores, which lured shoppers with seasonal fashions such as capri pants and tank tops.

June's strong sales — which followed big gains in May — were attributed to the hefty U.S. economy and warmer-than-normal weather that sent shoppers into stores for everything from bathing suits to air conditioners.

The late Memorial Day holiday on May 31 also helped out. Many retailers began their bookkeeping month May 29 or 30, which meant that much of the buying over the holiday weekend was included in June's sales.

The Labor Department, meanwhile said 294,000 Americans filed new claims for jobless benefits for the week ending July 3 — down by 6,000 from the previous week. Last week's level was the lowest since 289,000 in the week ending March 27.

Many analysts had expected jobless claims to rise.

The four-week moving average for claims, which smoothes out week-to-week volatility, also was down to 299,000, the lowest level

since April 3, when they were at 296,500.

The jobless claims applications are remaining at low levels, which analysts say reflects an extremely tight labor market, something the Federal Reserve is keeping a watchful eye on.

Karen Dexter, an economist with Merrill Lynch, said the downward trend in jobless benefits claims is "suggesting that laid-off workers are not having a difficult time finding a new job." Dexter said "the job market continues to look healthy" and that "jobless claims are likely to be volatile in the coming weeks because of the 4th of July holiday and car factory shutdowns."

Last week, the government

City Briefs

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly cloudy today with less than a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, a high in the mid 90s and south winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, a low of 67 and south winds at 5-15 mph.

Tomorrow, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, a high of 87 and south winds at 5-15 mph: The overnight low was 69.

PANHANDLE — Tonight, partly cloudy with widely scattered evening thunderstorms. Low 65 to 70. Southwest wind 5-

15 mph. Areal coverage of rain is 20 percent. Friday, partly cloudy and not as warm with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. High 85 to 90. Southwest wind 5-15 mph becoming northeast in the afternoon.

STATEWIDE — Weekend thunderstorms are on tap across Texas as daytime heating, combined with abundant coastal moisture, continue to generate showers and thunderstorms.

Gulf breezes were producing cloudy skies in much of South Texas today. That includes the upper Texas coast, Coastal Bend region and the Hill Country. Palacios, near Matagorda Bay, was a precipitation spot.

Early-morning temperatures were generally in the 60s to mid-70s across the region. Extremes varied from 67 degrees at Junction to 81 at Galveston.

Winds were mostly southerly at 5 to 15 mph.

More showers and thunderstorms were expected in South Texas, the Hill Country and Coastal Plain from an upper-level disturbance.

Daytime highs should range from low to mid-90s across much of South Texas.

In West Texas, it should be partly cloudy through Friday with showers and thunderstorms possible.

AFS Exchange students



(Special photo)

AFS exchange students to Pampa Tanja Horsager of Denmark, back row, third from left, and Francesco Tronci of Italy, front row, left, were among panhandle area AFS students departing Pampa on a three-day sight-seeing trip to St. Louis, Mo., with final destination Chicago, Ill. The students will have orientations preparing them for their return to their home countries July 8. They are part of a 100-bus fleet over the U.S. participating this week in the AFS departure program, a tradition since the founding of AFS 51 years ago. The Joe Martinez family hosted Horsager and the Bob Eskridge

family hosted Tronci. Pampa AFS exchange students for the coming school year will include Felix Stahl from Switzerland and Mitzi Pederson of Denmark. Stahl will be hosted by Craig and Nancy Shaffer and Pederson will be hosted by Chuck and Brenda Meyer. Above are: (back row, left-right) Hay Yuen of Hong Kong, Raphael Steiner of Switzerland, Horsager, Oraphan Tungsomboon of Thailand, Hanna Virteli of Finland, Tina Casneuf of Belgium, (front row) Tronci, Juliana Sa of Brazil, Ewa Leijonmark of Sweden and Emese Balog of Hungary.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. For

July piano clinic slated in Amarillo

AMARILLO — Tolzien Music Co. and Neil A. Kjos Music Co. will host internationally renowned composer, concert artist, teacher and clinician Jane Bastien in a free piano workshop from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 14 at Tolzien Music Co., 3800 I-40 West, in Amarillo.

Bastien has conducted master classes and pedagogy workshops in every state of the United States and throughout the world.

Bastien has authored and co-authored more than 300 books with her husband James and with their daughters, Lisa and Lori. She created "The Very Young Pianist Library" and "Bastien's Invitation to Music," methods written expressly for very young students. She and Mr. Bastien created "Bastien Piano Library," "Bastien Piano Basics" and "Bastien Older Beginner Library," methods for beginners of all ages.

Her concentration on composing followed the founding of the Preparatory Piano Department at Tulane University in New Orleans where she taught piano pedagogy for 17 years.

During the workshop, Bastien will review the latest in materials for teaching piano to beginners, elementary students and intermediate students of all ages, present new ideas on how to motivate students and boost achievement records and share ways to make sure the lesson sequence is set up for student success. For more information, call (806) 352-5293.

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.

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

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.

RED CROSS
The Red Cross is offering free blood sugar and blood pressure testing every Friday from 10 a.m. - noon at Red Cross Office, 108 N. Russell.

VETERANS HALL OF FAME

The deadline for nominations for the Panhandle Veterans Hall of Fame is July 16. For more information, contact John L. Tripplehorn at Freedom Museum USA, 600 N. Hobart, Pampa, TX 79065.

INVASION IN WHITE DEER PARK

White Deer Park Invasion will be from 12-10 p.m. July 19 at the park in White Deer. Live bands, including Damascus Road, will perform from 6-10 p.m. and Mike Sublett will be the featured speaker.

USS LONG BEACH REUNION

USS Long Beach Reunion Association will hold its 1999 reunion Sept. 15-19 at Pensacola, Fla. Participants will be staying at the Holiday Inn Bay Beach, 51 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, FL 32561-9990. For reservations, call (850) 932-2214. For more information, contact Don Shade at P.O. Box 69, Clymer, NY 14724-0069, (716) 569-2314, or e-mail LBCGN9@aol.com.

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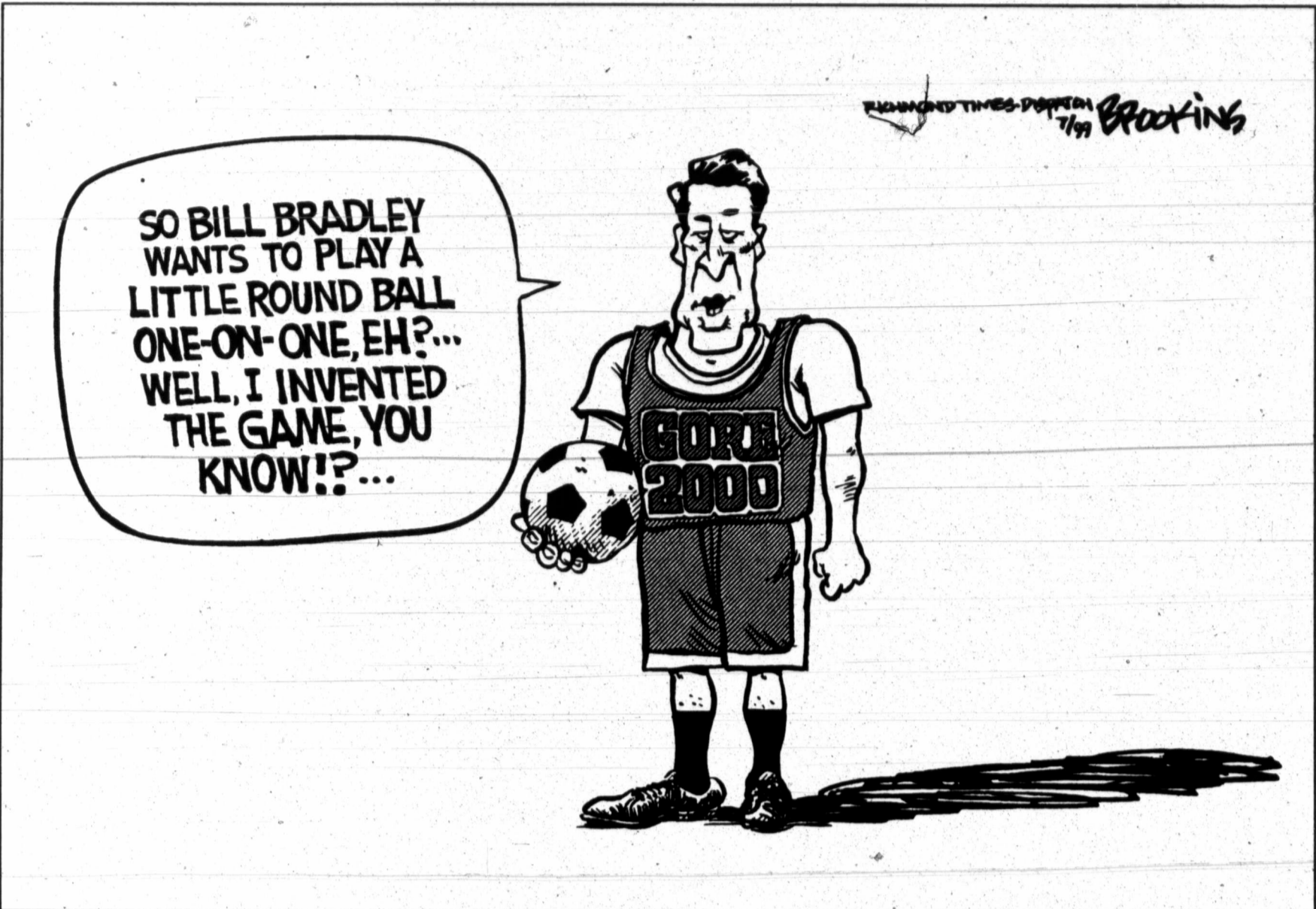
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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers:
 The Dallas Morning News on Internet domain and accountability:

The effort to privatize Internet domain names apparently could use a brighter spotlight and a little public scrutiny.

To some, ICANN, short for the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, has immense power, but is far too unaccountable.

As most casual Web surfers know, the .org, .com or .net designations are worth big money. And until the Clinton administration last year created ICANN to create registry competitors, Virginia-based Network Solutions had run the registry for years under an exclusive working agreement with the government.

But ICANN, a nonprofit organization made up of high-tech gurus, has become a magnet for controversy while generating more questions than answers about its role.

ICANN's accountability is at the core of the controversy. Many meetings are closed, its unelected board and nonprofit status limit government supervision, and recent policy edicts overstep its legal authority, critics say. Case in point: a proposed \$1 surcharge on all domain names and renewals to fund ICANN's existence.

Rep. Tom Biley, R-Va., chairman of the powerful House Commerce Committee that oversees Internet issues, says the fee is an unauthorized tax. He's considering a congressional inquiry.

Others, including Ralph Nader's Consumer Project on Technology, contend ICANN is making crucial decisions without the benefit of input from a broader range of Internet interests. Case in point: ICANN's proposal to assume control of equipment that serves as sort of a traffic cop on the Internet.

ICANN has denied improper behavior and has blamed Network Solutions for a whisper campaign aimed at retaining its lucrative arrangement, a charge Network Solutions denies.

A formal inquiry, or at the very least regular updates to a congressional committee, is needed to clear up this situation. The outcome of the commercial and political tug-of-war underlying privatization efforts will shape Internet access, content and costs globally.

The Internet's future ought not be determined in a relatively obscure, ad hoc setting, without a system of checks and balances that all players understand and follow.

ICANN needs to operate more openly, and Congress needs to more closely oversee the domain registration process.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram on Olympic dreaming:

Visions of the 2012 Olympics are dancing in the heads of some — and are being pooh-poohed. Is this the Texas we know?

Gosh, these are skeptical times.

You have only to toss up a well-intentioned "What if ...?" for someone to slap it down with a scornful "Get real!"

It's getting to be a shameful situation — and one that is decidedly unbecoming of Texans. Since when did we get so smart that we could predict the possible decades in advance?

A continuing example is the 2012 Olympics.

Tom Luce (yes, he's from Dallas) is running around telling everyone who'll sit still about it, and we can almost hear the laughter trailing along behind him. He must hear it, too. Is that frustration in his face, or merely fatigue?

Everybody — "everybody" — just knows that this idea of bringing the Summer Olympics to North Texas 12 years from now has no chance. It's too hot, it's too far in the future. It takes more cooperation than is possible. It was Arlington's idea anyway.

You'd think, having run one failed race for governor a decade ago, that Luce would have had enough of no-chance campaigns. But there he is, rolling out the numbers again and again.

According to Luce, the Atlanta Olympics Committee earned \$1.7 billion from broadcast, tickets, worldwide sponsors, and licensing and sponsorship fees. It spent about that much to put on the Games, including \$600,000 in infrastructure improvements. In addition, about \$1 billion poured in — mostly in federal tax dollars — to upgrade the Atlanta-area public transit system, highways, and water and sewer systems.

For the Metroplex, infrastructure development alone — particularly in public transportation and highway improvements — would make the 2012 Games worth going after.

The list of potential venues made public recently by Luce's Olympics group includes sites all around the Metroplex. It's an obvious attempt to encourage support, but we believe it's a request for participation as well. We hope that the final list will be just as inclusive, but a lot of that depends on the willingness of people in each community.

Frankly, we consider this a list of opportunities, and it is up to each city to look at the possibilities and judge what they can contribute and what they stand to gain. If best estimates indicate a losing proposition, then so be it. But they ought to take a hard look.

Heck, we wouldn't even have a chance at this if Arlington hadn't put up the \$150,000 ante. It's a shame that something so bedrock Texan as vision, so intrinsic as dreams, such as a Hail Mary long shot trying for the Olympics has found such reluctance here. And it's a bit of a mystery.

We don't have the Olympics now. The worst that can happen is that we continue not to have them. So what's the problem? Are we suddenly afraid to dream? Or are jealousy, suspicion and simple complacency just too important to us?

Support your local rodeo!

Rodeo time is just around the corner in Pampa.

For over 50 years cowboys and cowgirls from near and far have been gathering in Pampa for the Top O' Texas Rodeo. Hundreds, if not thousands, of budding cowgirls and cowboys have competed in at least one of the many events held during the rodeo activities.

As a youngster my earliest memories of Pampa are of participating in the Pampa rodeo. My aunt Linda, who is five years older than me, and I would practice, practice practice on a daily basis to get ready for the rodeo.

Primary events of competition for me were barrel racing and the donut eating contest. Linda graduated from the donut eating to cutting horse but continued with the barrels. In those days, there weren't nearly as many events for girls as there are today.

My grandfather, Fred Kelley, was a very strict taskmaster and we always wanted to be sure we had our skills and times perfected as soon as possible. He demanded perfection in whatever we did, and he just about always got it.

The trip to Pampa each summer always seemed to be a long journey to me. Of course, now that I look back I realize part of my perception was that it was always so hot and there weren't many air-conditioned vehicles during



the first years of the rodeo. My other perception was that Pampa people were always so nice.

Linda and I worked many weeks to get ready for the 'Pampa Rodeo'. After practicing long, long hours with Granddad giving his nod of approval that we had progressed well enough to enter the rodeo events, we were set.

Mother and Grandmother had gotten us new Levis and shirts, checked to see if our boots would be presentable and reminded us of our manners. It was "Yes mam and No mam" and "Yes sir and No sir". There were no exceptions. I don't know what the repercussions would have been had we violated that rule. We never did. We just knew not only were we representing ourselves we were also representing our family and the Herring Ranch, west of Stinnett.

Both of us usually took home ribbons. Linda garnered more than I did. She was really good in that cutting horse competition.

Neither of us ride horses these days. The last time I did was to break a Shetland for my kids, and that was just because I was so much shorter than my husband. Or so he told me. After bucking me off, that Shetland just looked at me lying on the ground while his four feet were firmly planted on the ground. It was not a high point for me.

While we didn't make a career of rodeoing, Linda and I learned a great deal about discipline, hard work, competition, striving to be #1, and respect. Qualities which have always stayed with us.

As I thought about those "good old days" with no air conditioner in the pickup or even the horse trailer, I began to think what Granddad would say if he could see his great-grandson following in his footsteps as a cowboy. I'm sure he would be proud, but I imagine he would be shaking his head when he observed a "telephone" in his pickup. Wonder what he would think of the answering machine attached to that telephone?

Let's all encourage those cowgirls and cowboys as they compete in the rodeo next week. Ride'em cowboys and cowgirls!

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, July 8, the 189th day of 1999. There are 176 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 8, 1776, Col. John Nixon gave the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence, to a crowd at Independence Square in Philadelphia.

On this date:

In 1663, King Charles II of England granted a charter to Rhode Island.

In 1839, American oilman John D. Rockefeller was born in Richford, N.Y.

In 1853, an expedition led by Commodore Matthew Perry

arrived in Yedo Bay, Japan, on a mission to seek diplomatic and trade relations with the Japanese.

In 1889, "The Wall Street Journal" was first published.

In 1891, Warren G. Harding married Florence K. DeWolfe in Marion, Ohio.

In 1907, Florenz Ziegfeld staged his first "Follies," on the

roof of the New York Theater.

In 1919, President Wilson received a tumultuous welcome in New York City after his return from the Versailles Peace Conference in France.

In 1947, demolition work began in New York City to make way for the new permanent headquarters of the United Nations.

Combating violence at school

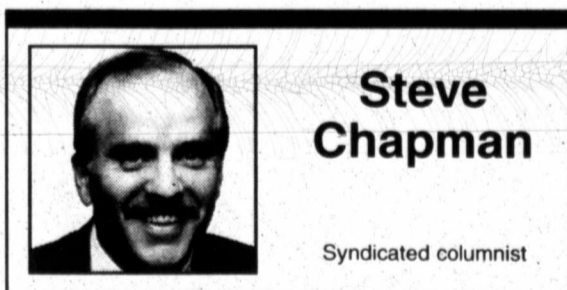
After two students from a group called the Trenchcoat Mafia armed themselves with guns and homemade bombs and went on a murder rampage at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., authorities in Portsmouth, N.H., responded in impeccably logical fashion. They moved to head off trouble in their schools by banning ... trench coats. If O.J. Simpson had murdered two people in Portsmouth, the city elders would have outlawed Heisman Trophies.

But they have plenty of company in thinking that a little hysteria never hurt anyone. Schools in several other towns joined in the trench-coat ban, with untold consequences for London Fog. A Maryland county outdid them, forbidding not only long coats but "bulky, oversized" ones.

Students in Illinois have been sent home merely for wearing black. Some school administrators prohibited backpacks after waking up in a cold sweat at a terrifying realization: Book bags might contain something besides books.

More alert minds can detect dangers even farther afield. A Virginia student who had been sporting blue hair since December was suspended after Littleton under a new policy against "unusual or unique hair colors." The officials reasoned that "in view of the circumstances that have occurred recently ... unusual activities/appearances should not be ignored."

Why stop at novel colors? Hordes of blonde cheerleaders could be affected by a Massachusetts legislator's bill making it illegal to sell hair dye of any shade to those under 18. The city council in Pittsfield, Mass., fell just short of approving a measure outlawing "flamboyant and excessively morbid" clothing on students. School uniforms are gaining popularity, a trend that can be expected to end with all pupils wearing orange jumpsuits.



Thoughts and words are also being treated like deadly weapons. Eleven high schoolers were suspended in Brimfield, Ohio, for the crime of contributing to a website exploring "gothic" themes. A boy in Virginia was arrested after writing an essay that featured a fictional student with a nuclear weapon strapped to his chest.

A 14-year-old girl in Harrisburg, Pa., was strip-searched and suspended for two weeks for saying, during a classroom discussion of the Littleton massacre, that she could understand how ostracized students might turn homicidal. If she could understand it, she could do it, right?

The kids who committed the murders at Columbine High School were a little different, so hypervigilant adults have reached the conclusion that anything different is fraught with peril. Their solution is to ban first and come up with a reason afterward, in an attempt to impose a suffocating conformity within the walls of every school. The main effect of this ostentatious toughness — and possibly its underlying purpose — is not to minimize genuine hazards but to disabuse teenagers of the idea that they are entitled to any respect or freedom.

But students ought to be judged according to their behavior on things that matter, not their

appearance or any idle thought they happen to express. A kid who threatens or strikes a schoolmate should be disciplined, just as an adult behaving that way would be penalized. One who composes a story about a nuclear terrorist, on the other hand, is no more deserving of punishment than Tom Clancy. Fantasy and reality are separate categories.

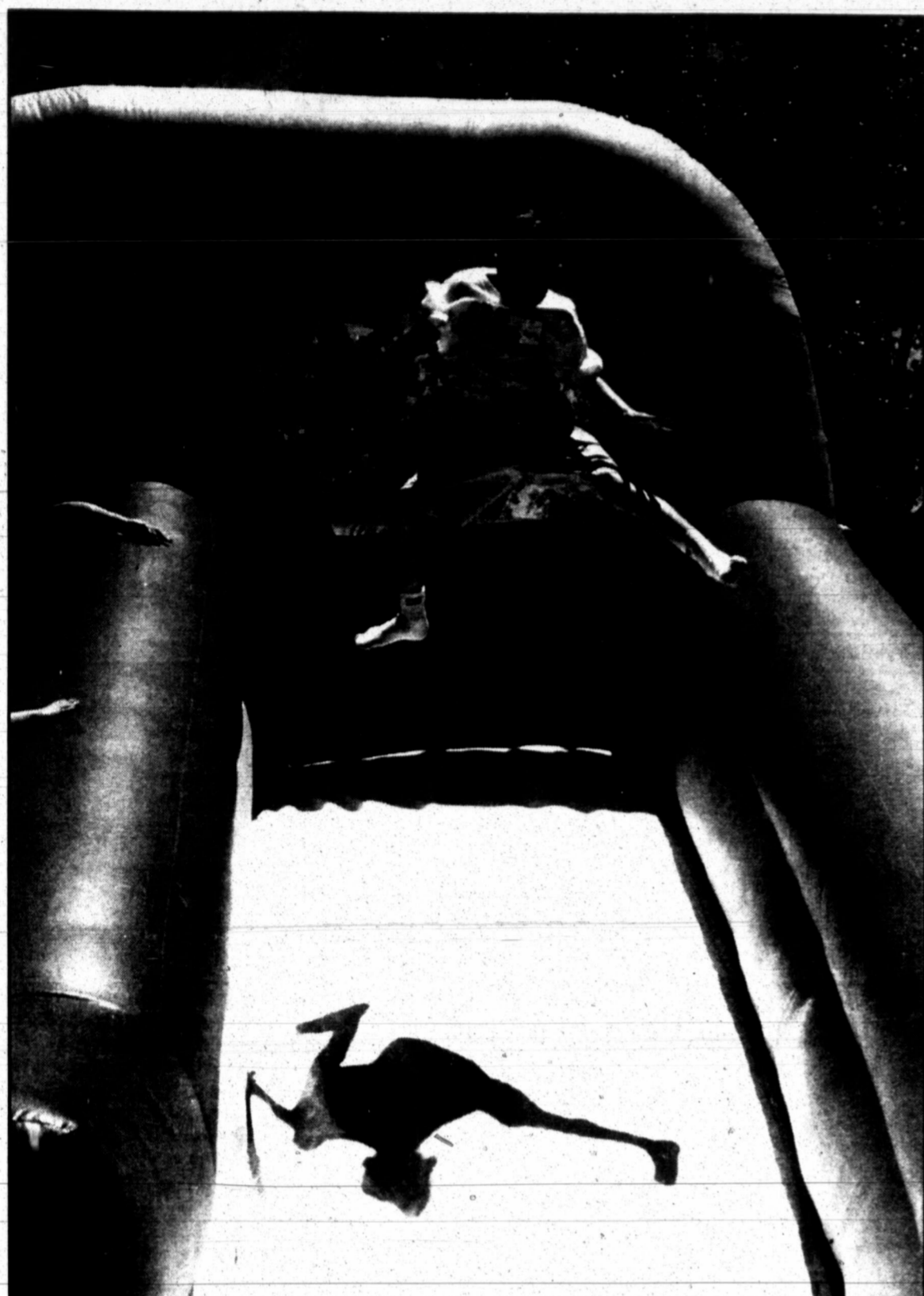
Turning schools into replicas of medium-security prisons is excellent preparation for living in North Korea but not a good way to develop responsible citizens fit for a free society. As the Supreme Court said in a 1969 decision overturning a school ban on black armbands used to protest the Vietnam War, "It can hardly be argued that either students or teachers shed their constitutional rights of freedom of speech or expression at the schoolhouse gate."

Expressing thoughts that annoy other people is no grounds for suspension. And conduct that does not fall under constitutional guarantees (such as wearing weird clothes) shouldn't be outlawed merely because it's unconventional. Schools ought to concentrate on behavior that creates a real danger or obstructs education — carrying weapons, threatening or attacking people, disrupting class and the like.

Seeing a threat in every backpack or funny hairstyle is a symptom of irrational panic, not sensible caution. Perfect safety will never be achieved, in high schools or anywhere else, and the effort to eliminate every conceivable risk, no matter what the cost, will affect a great deal that is harmless and very little that is truly dangerous.

In the end, the vigorous and forcible suppression of non-conformists probably won't even advance the goal of combating violence. Teenagers aren't likely to be taught respect for others by adults who show no respect for them.

VBS fun ...



VBS participant Andy Winton shows no fear on the giant air-filled slide as he takes part in an activity during Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ's Jungle Bob's Bible Adventure.

More airline passengers 'bumped' despite ticket

WASHINGTON (AP) — The airlines' practice of overbooking flights to ensure they have full planes is coming back to bite some would-be passengers.

In the first three months of this year, Delta Air Lines "involuntarily denied" boarding to 8,144 passengers — nearly as many as the other nine major carriers combined, according to new Transportation Department statistics. United Air Lines had the second highest total, with 2,142 passengers bumped, and Dallas-based Southwest Airlines was third, with 1,938 passengers bumped.

During the same period in 1998, Delta also had the worst record, but only 2,736 passengers were involuntarily bumped.

Involuntary bumpings occur when an airline oversells seats on a flight to guard against passengers who don't show up, but then can't find enough volunteers to give up their seats and take a later flight.

Airlines contend the long-standing practice benefits the consumer, because overbooking allows them to keep flights full and airfares down. An average of 10 percent to 15 percent of the passengers holding tickets for a flight never show up at the gate.

On occasions when almost everyone does, passengers often volunteer to get off because carriers offer inducements such as a first-class upgrade on another flight or a voucher for free travel in the future.

"The overbooking allows us to utilize and offer seats that would otherwise be perishable," said Tim Smith, a spokesman for Fort Worth, Texas-based American Airlines, which has one of the lowest rates of involuntary bumpings. "Once that seat leaves the gate empty, it can never be sold again."

Delta acknowledged Wednesday that it has had problems correctly forecasting its passenger loads. The airline has a high-level management team studying the issue. It has also ordered new passenger forecasting software and created a team to identify problematic flights each day and then minimize involuntary bumpings.

"We fully intend to significantly reduce involuntary bookings to an acceptable level. That is a corporate goal," said airline spokesman John Kennedy.

Nonetheless, Kennedy noted that the overall number of passengers affected is small and that Delta has improved significantly in other areas important to travel-

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ers, such as on-time performance and baggage handling.

According to Transportation Department policy, airlines can't deny a passenger a seat without first asking for volunteers to get off a flight that is overbooked. The department also outlines a compensation plan for those who end up being involuntarily bumped.

If the passenger is placed on another flight and arrives within an hour of his original arrival time, no compensation is required. If the passenger arrives between one and two hours late, the airline must pay the passenger a penalty equal to the cost of his ticket for that flight, up to a maximum of \$200. If the passenger arrives more than two hours late, the penalty is double the price of the ticket, up to a maximum of \$400.

Airlines have different ways of deciding who gets bumped. Most accommodate passengers on a first-come, first-served basis, but some will seat their first- and

business-class customers before taking care of those with coach tickets.

The increase in overbookings comes at a time when passenger complaints are on the rise. According to the same statistics, the major airlines averaged 2.47 complaints per 100,000 passengers in May, up from 1.15 complaints in May 1998.

American led the way in that category, with 3.70 complaints per 100,000 passengers. Delta had the second-best record, with 1.82 complaints.

Smith, the American spokesman, said the carrier was plagued by air traffic control problems at its hubs in Dallas and Chicago.

"I don't mean to minimize those who complain, ... but you have to put this in perspective," Smith said. "The headline reads 'doubled' or 'tripled' the number of complaints, but you can get a very impressive level of change when you're dealing with a small number to start with."

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Moderate Baptists seek new alliances, want group centered in Southwest

DALLAS (AP) — Some Texas Baptists who want to expand their contact with like-minded ministries have voted to form an association that will include churches in Louisiana, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

Creation of the Baptist Association of the Southwest was authorized by Texans attending a recent general assembly of the

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, is a national group of moderate Southern Baptists, in Birmingham, Ala.

"Here in Texas, many of our churches are not participating in as constructive a way as we would like to at the local associational level," the Rev. George Mason, pastor of Wilshire Baptist Church in Dallas, said. "The idea is to have an associa-

tion of affinity rather than geography, so that churches who tend to do ministry and missions in similar ways will be able to band together to do that."

Mason chaired a committee that studied plans for the association. He said the association could get off the ground next April. But Bob Stephenson, a member of First Baptist Church of Norman, Okla., likes the thought of partnering with Texans.

"I think that's more practical now because of all the new communications systems," he said. "These artificial state boundaries are good for football bragging rights, but when it comes to winning people to Christ, state lines are not an appropriate barrier."

The new association will not drain support from the moderate Baptist General Convention of Texas, said Mason.

Widow wants to be cleared in husband's slaying to get insurance

MONROEVILLE, Pa. (AP) — The widow of a man who was shot to death in a construction trailer wants detectives to eliminate her as a suspect so she can collect on a \$500,000 life insurance policy.

But police will not do it. Elizabeth Johnston of Dallas remains a suspect in the killing of John Johnston of Foley, Ala., on May 5 in Monroeville, a suburb of Pittsburgh, authorities said. She said she didn't kill him.

"The bottom line is she's not going to get what she wants. She's not going to get a letter from us saying she's not a sus-

pect," said Lt. John Brennan of the Allegheny County Police. "We haven't exonerated anybody."

Mrs. Johnston, 44, a former lingerie model, said she has no idea what happened to her husband. She said they had trouble in their marriage, which was the third for both of them.

"I've got to show them that she's not a suspect. I need a statement from the police department that Mrs. Elizabeth Johnston of Dallas, Texas, is not a suspect in the homicide of John Johnston," said Mrs. Johnston's attorney, James Harvey.

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Grateful Daughter Knows Her Father Died a Friend

DEAR ABBY: Twenty years ago, when I was a teen-ager, I was inspired by a letter in your column. A woman had written about a recent tragedy in her life, having lost a parent due to a terrible accident. The writer appealed to your readers to make amends with family and friends as soon as possible, for her tragedy was compounded by having quarreled with her dad and not having "made up" before he died. You recommended that people live their lives to the fullest every day, and not to take family and friends for granted.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

for the advice, Abby. I am grateful. ALISON GAULDEN, RENO, NEV.

DEAR ALISON: Please accept my sympathy for the loss of your beloved father. I'm touched that something you read in my column inspired you to make the most of every precious moment you had with him.

Years ago, a reader sent me this wonderful poem that says it very well:

If you are ever going to love me, Love me now, while I can know The sweet and tender feelings Which from true affection flow. Love me now While I am living. Do not wait until I'm gone And then have if chiseled in marble, Sweet words on ice-cold stone.

If you have tender thoughts of me, Please tell me now. If you wait until I'm sleeping, Never to awaken,

There will be death between us, And I won't hear you then. So if you love me, even a little bit, Let me know it while I'm living So I can treasure it.

DEAR ABBY: I am invited to a "black-tie" evening wedding this month, so please answer this ASAP. What exactly is black-tie wear for men and women? Is there a difference between "formal" and "black tie"?

NEEDS TO KNOW IN SANDPOINT, IDAHO

DEAR NEEDS TO KNOW: There is no difference between "formal" and "black tie." It means the men should wear tuxedos, and the women should wear long dresses or dressy cocktail attire.

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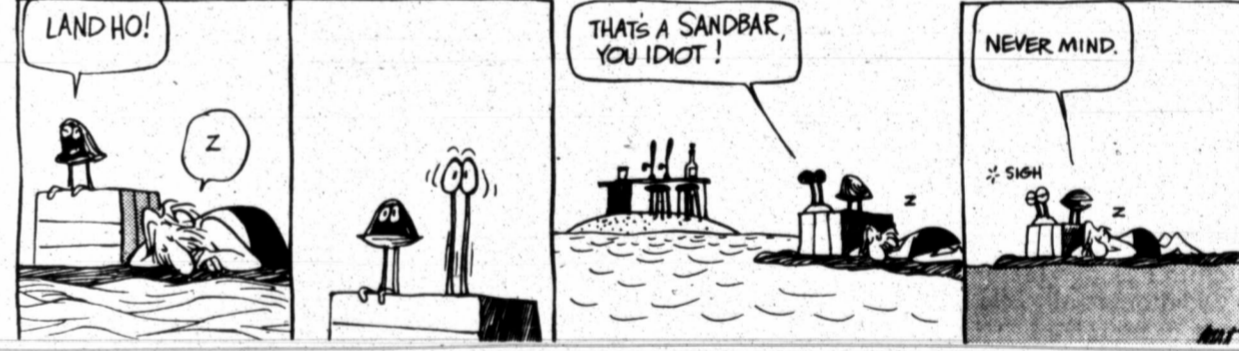
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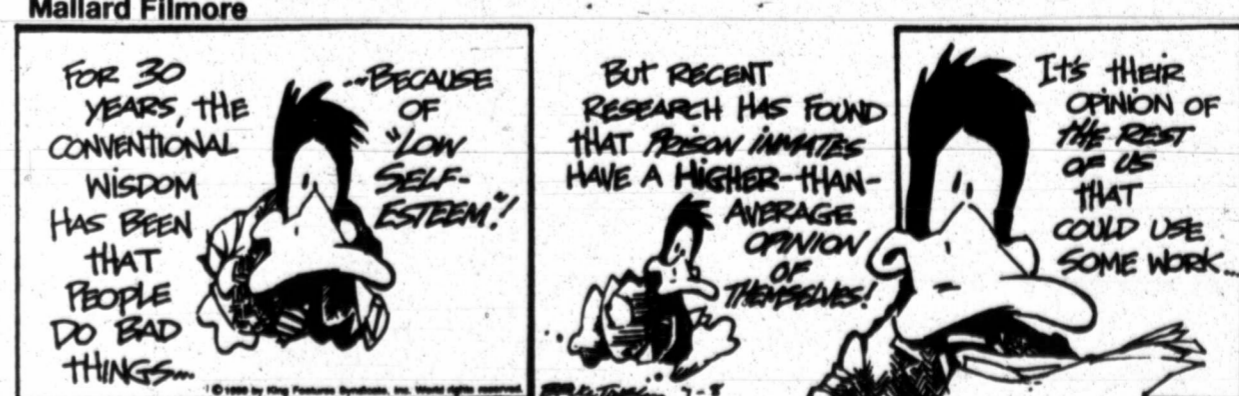
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Horoscope

FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1999

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)

Overindulgence marks your day and your decisions. Allow communication to flow. Brainstorm about work and your personal life. Your vital energy confuses others — you skip from one step to another. Listen and think about the words that spill from your mouth! Tonight: Flirting and socializing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Beam in what you want. Take the day off, if you desire. You are in the mood to indulge. Why not? Opportunities strike as a loved one or friend suggests many different ideas. You might like them all! Don't worry about choosing. Tonight: Where the music and fun are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You don't have to share what happens this morning, but it will certainly put a smile on your face. Listen to your instincts with a co-worker who has a tendency to cause a lot of uproar. Get away from the office as soon as possible. Freedom calls! Tonight: Do it all!

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Aim for the brass ring. Listen carefully to feedback from a friend. Do not push another away. Stay centered.

Your laughter draws another, you know what you both want. Leave work early if you can; vanish from your real life for a while. Tonight: Shhh — a secret is just that.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Accept responsibility. Don't push so hard to have everything your way. Adopt a laissez-faire attitude, and you'll go very far. Get together with others. Infuse a little more pleasure into work. Take that long lunch. A family member has been hoping for a change. Tonight: Leader of the weekend celebrations.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Read between the lines. Be clear about what is acceptable to you. At times, you could feel pushed beyond your normal limits. Enjoy the light attitude of the morning. Another could become demanding later. Check out a new health club or diet. Tonight: A must appearance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

One-to-one relating has its rewards right now. Don't be disciplined — seize the moment! Evaluate carefully before taking off too fast. Balance your budget to make sure everything is in order. Let your mind drift. Good ideas will be the outcome. Tonight: How about a weekend out of town?

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

"Yes!" is the only answer, presently. Get together with others and share news. Curb a tendency to go overboard as much as you can. A partner or friend does whatever he needs to do to lure you out of town or away from the same old thing. Tonight: A night for two.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Good will surrounds work.

Listen to what another thinks and suggests. Teamwork makes for a happier professional atmosphere. By afternoon, everyone around you is ready for the weekend. Clear your desk effectively. Tonight: Hang out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Allow more fun into your life. Toss away rigidity. You'll have plenty of time to catch up on work later in the day. Another wants some of your time this morning. Caring doesn't happen on a set schedule. A moneymaking idea looks good. Make sure it is. Tonight: Take care of yourself first.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Handle a personal matter early on. You feel good with others; let positive feelings flow. Charge into work, full of fun and creativity. Be ready to take an important step. Use your energy well. A boss is impressed. Tonight: Flirt the night away.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Reach out for another and share some important feelings. Good vibes brighten the day for you both. Take time to investigate a project carefully. Find an expert; explore different possibilities. Your sense of humor comes out with a family member. Tonight: Spend quiet time with a loved one.

BORN TODAY

Actress Kelly McGillis (1957), actor Richard Roundtree (1942), actor Fred Savage (1976)

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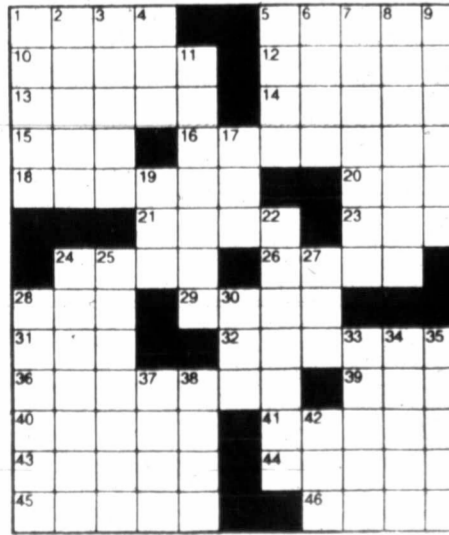
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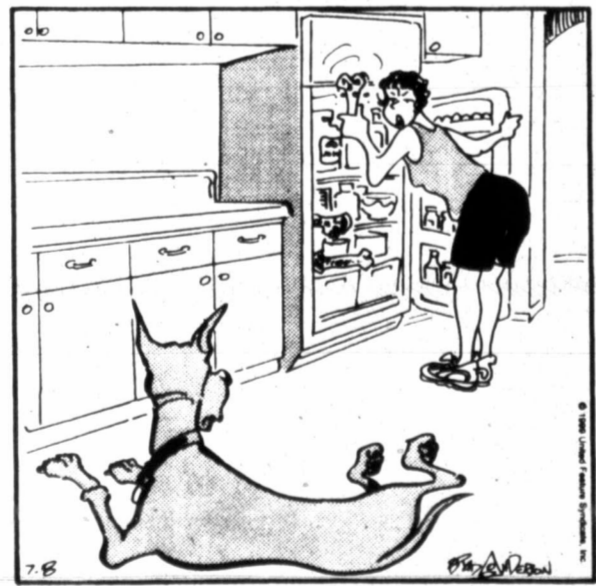
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SPORTS

Zimmerman boosts Rangers past A's

By ROB GLOSTER
AP Sports Writer
OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — The offense has been inconsistent and the starting pitching has been a disappointment. The only constant for the AL West-leading Texas Rangers this season has been relief pitching.

And the biggest constant in that bullpen has been a rookie who made it only as far as Double-A in the minors last season but is an AL All-Star this year.

Reliever Jeff Zimmerman celebrated his All-Star selection Wednesday by pitching 2 1-3 scoreless innings to lead the Rangers to a 7-4 win over the Oakland Athletics and become the first Texas pitcher to start his major league career with eight victories.

"I can't think of anyone in my memory who came on the scene with less publicity and did as much," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "These things happen — not often, maybe once in

a lifetime, and this is my one." Two seasons ago, Zimmerman was starting for Winnipeg in the independent Northern League. Last season, the Rangers converted him into a reliever in their farm system. He came to spring training this year as a non-roster invitee.

Zimmerman (8-0), who lowered his ERA to 0.89, has not allowed a run in his last 16 appearances — tying a club record. He was chosen Wednesday for the All-Star squad, along with fellow Texas reliever John Wetteland.

"This is absolutely the ultimate pinnacle to me. Just to be named to an All-Star team is unbelievable," Zimmerman said. "Every day is still a wonderful new experience for me."

Oates said Zimmerman, who has struck out 46 and walked only nine batters in 50 1-3 innings, showed Wednesday he deserves a spot on the All-Star squad.

"He pitched like an All-Star,

didn't he? Yes, he did," Oates said. "Right now it's arguable he could be our Most Valuable Player through the first half of the season."

Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 26th save, tops in the majors, as the Rangers broke a four-game losing streak. He walked the bases loaded before getting Miguel Tejada on a popout to end the game.

Lee Stevens' two-run single broke a seventh-inning tie as the Rangers avoided being swept by Oakland for the first time in five seasons.

Stevens, who entered the game in the sixth as a defensive replacement, broke a 4-4 tie with his single and the Rangers added another run in the seventh on a throwing error by Oakland catcher Ramon Hernandez.

Brad Rigby (3-4), the second of five Oakland pitchers, allowed one run in two-thirds of an inning. The Oakland bullpen has eight losses and seven blown

saves in the last 21 games.

Todd Zeile drove in two runs for Texas with a sacrifice fly in the second and an RBI single in the fourth. Roberto Kelly had a two-run double in the sixth to knock out A's starter Kenny Rogers.

"I got in trouble a couple of times, but that last one hurt. I needed to make a pitch on Kelly and I didn't. I made a mistake there," Rogers said.

Rogers allowed four runs on eight hits in 5 2-3 innings. Texas starter Rick Helling gave up four runs on six hits in five innings.

Eric Chavez and Ben Grieve homered for the A's, who were trying to sweep a three-game series against Texas for the first time since Aug. 5-7, 1994, at Oakland.

Rafael Palmeiro, picked as an All-Star reserve earlier in the day, had two hits for the Rangers. Teammate Juan Gonzalez, who probably would have been taken as a reserve but said he would not play unless

selected by fans to start, had two hits and scored three times.

Notes: DH John Jaha was selected as Oakland's All-Star. ... Zimmerman tied the club record of 16 straight scoreless appearances set earlier this season by Tim Crabtree. ... Zeile extended his hitting streak to 16 games, matching his career high. ... All seven of Chavez's homers this season have given the A's the lead. ... Grieve's homer was his first at home since July 18, 1998. ... Gonzalez extended his hitting streak to a season-high nine games. ... With a no-decision, Rogers remains undefeated at the Oakland Coliseum since 1994. He has won 16 straight decisions there. ... Matt Stairs went 0-for-3 for Oakland, leaving him 2-for-26 on the A's nine-game homestand that ended Wednesday and dropping his average to .239. ... Kelly left the game during his at-bat in the seventh with a strained left biceps. He hurt himself while fouling off a pitch.

Notebook Basketball

Pampa basketball players from 9-11th grades recently participated in the Eastern New Mexico University "Team Camps".

Local players attending the camp were Kurt George, Colby Hale, Chad Platt, Kyle Francis, Adam Rogers, Jesse Francis, Matt Robben, Jon East, Dustin Johnson and Russell Robben.

The object of the camp was to play as many games as possible in four days so that, in ENMU head coach Terry Tyler's words, "we can get better."

The Pampa team was coached by Jerry Heasley.

Games started at 9 a.m. and ran as late as 10:30 p.m.

Each of the 24 teams entered were guaranteed 16 games, each consisting of two 15-minute halves. The clock ran continuously until the final two minutes of each half, when it was stopped for free throws.

At the end of the first 13 games, the 24 teams were divided into three seeded divisions.

Pampa went undefeated during the 13-game "regular season", and then swept the playoffs with a 3-0 record and captured first place.

ENMU head coach Terry Tyler, who played in the NBA for eleven years, presented the 16-0 Pampa Harvester squad with an ENMU commemorative basketball.

Softball

The Pampa 11-12-year-old girls All-Star softball team defeated Spearman 16-4 to advance in the district tournament.

The squad's next game will be against Dumas Friday evening at 8 p.m.

Sam Cenicerros earned the victory on the mound for the Pampa team. Jennie Rogers, Skye Niccum and Callie Mullican also pitched for Pampa during the contest.

Morgan Meharg was the team leader at the plate, blasting two triples and scoring a run. Rogers had a single and a home run, and also scored two runs. Wendi Miller had a single and a home run as well.

Jacklyn Spearman, Taryn Garner, Jackie Gerber and Niccum all had two hits for Pampa.

Kari Terrell rounded out the performance at the plate with a double.

Canadian eliminated Stinnett in the other tournament game Wednesday night.

Tonight, Fritch will face Candian and Borger will meet Spearman. Both games are elimination contests.

In the 9-10-year-old girls All-Star district tournament, Pampa pounded Borger 38-9.

Pampa's bats came up big with 15 hits. Every player scored at least one run during the contest.

Pitcher Stephanie McVay picked up the win, allowing just one hit while striking out four. Cassie Tice and Maggie Hopkins rounded out the pitching duties for the Pampa squad.

Pampa will face Dumas tonight at 7 p.m. at Optimist Park.



The 15-year-old Babe Ruth All-Stars will begin the district tournament tonight at 6 p.m., competing against North Randall County at the North Randall County Baseball Complex located on South Loop 335, Amarillo. Members of the team are (l-r): bottom row; Randy Tice, Michael Galloway, Wes Martin, Aaron Keller, Ryan Nash, Evan Miller, and Charlie Craig; top row; Coach Gary Harper, Justin Waggoner, Dustin Harper, Adam Jones, Kyle Francis, Michael Cochran, Coach Larry Craig, and Coach Tim Hucks.

Pampa 13-14 All-Stars top Childress

The Pampa 13-14-year-old Girls Junior League All-Star softball team advanced to the second round of district tournament competition after soundly defeating the Childress All-Stars in Childress Tuesday night in a doubleheader.

The Pampa team won the first game 46-1 and the second game 58-3.

Stephanie Clark earned the win in the first game, giving up just one hit over the course of her contest. She struck out 11 and pitched seven walks.

Chelsey Davis and Hollie Gattis led the Pampa offense with 6 hits each. Gattis blasted a home run and a double, while Gattis was able to connect for a double.

Denise Maderi had four hits, including a double and one homerun.

Davis earned the victory from the mound in the nightcap, allowing one hit while striking out seven. She walked four.

Davis also excelled behind the plate, crushing five hits, including a home run.

Stacey Johnson led the Pampa offense in the second game with six hits, including a homer and a double.

Italy's 'king' thrives in the land of French royalty

BLOIS, France (AP) — His fans call him the "King of Sprints" and the "Lion King" — not to mention SuperMario.

So it seemed apt that Mario Cipollini chose the former home of French kings to win the fastest stage in the history of the Tour de France.

In the town of Blois, in view of the imposing royal castle, the Italian sprinter came off a stone bridge spanning the Loire River to surge past Germany's Erik Zabel and win the fourth stage in a photo finish.

"It was a perfect sprint," he said, paying tribute to his Saeco teammates who worked so hard to position him for the final moments.

A favorable tailwind, cool weather conditions, a relatively straight course and wide, flat roads all set the scene for an average speed of 31.290 mph — shattering the previous record of

30.707 mph set in 1993.

Australia's Stuart O'Grady finished third, followed by Tom Steels, the Belgian who won the two previous stages. Estonia's Jaan Kirsipuu was fifth, but kept the leader's yellow jersey he captured on Monday.

The 121-mile route took the riders through flat roads from the town of Laval on the Mayenne River to Blois in the Loire Valley. The royal castle there, which housed King Francois I, among others, was also where Joan of Arc prepared her campaign against the

English at Orleans in 1429.

As in Tuesday's third stage, two riders broke from the pack early and held a long lead. Gianpaolo Mondini of Italy and Anthony Morin of France survived an early breakaway by 10 riders.

They built a lead of more than six minutes over 62 miles before the pack started gaining late in the race.

The final sprint went down to a photo finish, and Zabel was deprived of a stage win on his 29th birthday.

In the overall standings,

O'Grady moved up to second place, 16 seconds behind.

Steels, who wants to be wearing yellow when the race nears his home country later in the week, was third at 21 seconds behind.

In fourth place was Lance Armstrong, the Texan making a gallant comeback from testicular cancer, 24 seconds behind. Zabel was in fifth.

Armstrong plans to wait for Sunday's time trial and then the

mountain stages before making his real challenge. But this week, in the early, flat stages, it is the sprinters like Cipollini who are in command.

In winning Wednesday's stage in 3 hours, 51 minutes and 45 seconds, the 32-year-old Italian captured his ninth career Tour de France stage victory, and his first this year.

Cipollini is now ninth in the overall standings, 44 seconds behind Kirsipuu.

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First Bank Southwest recently completed back-to-back League and City Tournament championships in the Pampa Optimist 9-10-year-old division of Bambino baseball. They finished with a 17-1 record this season and a 16-0 record last season. Team members are (l-r): front row; Dave Howard, Kevin Frels, Ryan Goldsmith, Lex LaRue, Lowry Baggett, and Ryan Baggerman; middle row; Luke Raber, Brett Ferrell, Nick Burklow, Mark Stone, and Robbie Dixon; top row; Manager Robert Dixon, coach Steve Goldsmith and coach Ed Ferrell. Not Pictured: Aaron Hink.

Tyson ready to return to ring

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Mike Tyson's future is shaping up, just as the former heavyweight tries to do the same with his body. Tyson will return to the ring Oct. 2 in Las Vegas for his first fight since stopping Francois Botha in the fifth round Jan. 17,

his manager said Wednesday. If all goes well in that bout, manager Shelly Finkel told The Associated Press that Tyson would fight again Dec. 11 on a pay-per-view card. Both fights would be held at the MGM Grand hotel-casino in Las Vegas.

No opponents have been selected for either of the two fights, but possible opponents for Oct. 2 include Zeljko Mavrovic of Croatia or Germany's Axel Schulz. A spokesman for the MGM Grand confirmed that the Oct. 2 date was "the next available date we have."

The first fight would be televised on the Showtime cable network. It would be Tyson's first non pay-per-view fight since he stopped Buster Mathis Jr. on the Fox network on Dec. 16, 1995. Assuming Tyson wins, he is scheduled to fight a pay-per-view fight Dec. 11, with an upgraded opponent along the lines of Andrew Golota or Shannon Briggs.

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All-Star reserves named

By JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Clemens, Barry Bonds and Greg Maddux will be watching next week while Kent Bottenfield, Paul Byrd and B.J. Surhoff make their All-Star game debuts.

When the All-Stars rosters are read off Tuesday night at Fenway Park, many of the players will be getting their first introductions on baseball's biggest summer stage. "It's every kid's dream who grows up playing baseball to be an All-Star, and certainly I was one of those kids," said Bottenfield, whose NL-leading 13 wins helped him get selected to his first All-Star team Wednesday.

Twenty-three players in all will make their All-Star debuts next Tuesday, many taking the place of familiar names who have been slowed by injuries and ineffectiveness.

Like Atlanta's Brian Jordan, who was helped by injuries that forced starter Tony Gwynn to skip the game and sidelined Bonds for two months. "I'm taking my family to Boston with me," Jordan said. "We were planning a vacation to Florida, but we'll be happy to take this detour."

Bonds won't be there for the first time since 1991. Maddux has been at the All-Star game for five straight years. Other regulars, like Mo Vaughn, Alex Rodriguez and Kevin Brown, will also have a rare break before the second half of the season.

In their place are a bunch of newcomers, like Surhoff, whose 855 RBIs in 13 seasons were the most by an active player not to make an All-Star team.

Or Texas middle reliever Jeff Zimmerman, who sent faxes to all 30 teams two winters ago just for the chance to try out. The Rangers were the only team to bite and Zimmerman has made the risk pay off, going 8-0 with an 0.89 ERA as a rare All-Star middle reliever. "This is absolutely the ulti-

mate pinnacle to me. Just to be named to an All-Star team is unbelievable," Zimmerman said.

AL manager Joe Torre selected four Yankees and seven newcomers on Wednesday. NL manager Bruce Bochy will bring Padres pitchers Andy Ashby and Trevor Hoffman with him to Fenway Park, along with 16 players who are used to getting three days off midway through the season.

The Cleveland Indians, who lead the majors in wins, led both leagues with six All-Stars. Shortstop Omar Vizquel and right-hander Charles Nagy joined four starters: first baseman Jim Thome, second baseman Roberto Alomar and outfielders Kenny Lofton and Manny Ramirez.

Nagy replaced Yankees closer Mariano Rivera, who turned down his bid to tend to personal business at home in Panama.

The World Series champion Yankees, snubbed by the voters for the second straight year, still have shortstop Derek Jeter, outfielder Bernie Williams and pitcher David Cone.

The Texas Rangers have four: Zimmerman, first baseman Rafael Palmeiro, closer John Wetteland and starting catcher Ivan Rodriguez. A fifth Ranger, Juan Gonzalez, said he wouldn't play if he wasn't a starter and the AL honored his request.

The second-year Diamondbacks also have four All-Stars, followed by Boston, Baltimore, Philadelphia and San Diego with three each. The Padres' Tony Gwynn was elected by the fans but will miss the game with a calf injury.

The Red Sox should have two starters, shortstop Nomar Garciaparra, the fan's choice, and Pedro Martinez (15-2, 2.02 ERA), the likely starting pitcher. Second baseman Jose Offerman was selected as a reserve.

More than half of the 30-man NL squad will make its All-Star debut next week, with 16 players suiting up for the first time.

Six of the 11 pitchers are All-Star rookies: Bottenfield, Byrd, Atlanta's Kevin Millwood and Houston's Jose Lima, Mike Hampton and Billy Wagner.

Arizona's Randy Johnson and Philadelphia's Curt Schilling were also picked for the NL staff. San Francisco's Robb Nen was selected but will miss the game with a callous on his right thumb.

Bochy said he will pick another reliever, with Los Angeles' Jeff Shaw, the Mets' Armando Benitez and Cincinnati's Scott Williamson as possibilities.

The rest of the NL reserves are catchers Mike Lieberthal of Philadelphia and catcher Dave Nilsson of Milwaukee; infielders Jeff Bagwell of Houston, Sean Casey of Cincinnati, Alex Gonzalez of Florida, Jeff Kent of San Francisco and Ed Sprague of Pittsburgh; and outfielders Jeremy Burnitz of Milwaukee, Luis Gonzalez of Arizona and Gary Sheffield of Los Angeles.

Of the reserves, only Sheffield and Bagwell have been All-Stars before.

The other AL reserves are Detroit catcher Brad Ausmus; infielders Ron Coomer of Minnesota, Tony Fernandez of Toronto and John Jaha of Oakland; and outfielders Shawn Green of Toronto and Magglio Ordonez of the Chicago White Sox.

The rest of the pitchers are Kansas City's Jose Rosado, Tampa Bay's Roberto Hernandez, Baltimore's Mike Mussina and Anaheim's Troy Percival.

The other AL starters are Seattle outfielder Ken Griffey Jr., Tampa Bay DH Jose Canseco and Baltimore third baseman Cal Ripken.

St. Louis' Mark McGwire and the Cubs' Sammy Sosa headline the NL starters. The lineup also includes Arizona's Matt Williams at third and Jay Bell at second, New York catcher Mike Piazza, Cincinnati shortstop Barry Larkin and Colorado outfielder Larry Walker.

Arizona blasts Houston 13-7

PHOENIX (AP) — The long ball is back in Arizona's game. Now the Diamondbacks only hope it will stay there.

Arizona's on-again, off-again offense was definitely on again in the 13-7 pounding of the Houston Astros on Wednesday night. But the Diamondbacks have teased their fans this way twice before in their recent slump.

In its last eight games, Arizona has scored one run, or none, five times. The other three, they've scored nine, a club-record 17 and 13.

"It's hard to say," Damian Miller said when asked if the offense was back to stay. "We thought we had it figured out Sunday in St. Louis when we had all those hits (in the 17-run game). I think tonight is a pretty good indication that we're starting to pull out of it."

Three of the Diamondbacks' homers came with two outs in the third off Wade Miller (0-1), a 22-year-old right-hander making his big league debut.

"The mistakes you make in

Triple-A, they're not going to foul them off or swing through them up here," Miller said. "They're going to hit it hard. It's not the way I wanted it to happen, but at least the first one's out of the way."

Finley, who had gone 21 games without a homer, had his fourth two-homer game of the season. He hit two-run shots off reliever Trevor Miller in the sixth and seventh innings to increase his season total to 17.

Finley had struggled ever since he hurt his back diving for a ball in the outfield.

He said he has changed his swing slightly to compensate for the soreness, and it seemed to work.

"I'm learning to deal with it," he said.

In the third, Matt Williams hit a two-run home run, Miller had a three-run homer and Andy Fox hit a solo shot.

Arizona won for only the fifth time in 17 games and just the second time in seven games against Houston.

"You knew sooner or later

they were going to break out like that," Houston's Craig Biggio said. "They've got a lot of big bats over there. I think only a couple of guys didn't hit a home run."

Biggio tied his career best with four hits — a home run, two doubles and a single — for the Astros. He led off the game with his seventh homer of the season. Jeff Bagwell's 27th home run, off Arizona starter Brian Anderson, drove in three runs in the third.

Williams' home run was his 22nd of the season. He also had an RBI single, giving him an NL-best 78 RBIs this season.

Finley followed Williams' homer with a single and Travis Lee walked before Miller broke a 1-for-22 drought with his fifth homer of the season. Fox hit Miller's next pitch over the right-field fence for his fifth homer.

Bobby Chouinard (2-0) pitched 3 1-3 innings for the victory.

Miller, called up from Triple-A New Orleans on Monday, got the start because of Mike Hampton's sore pitching wrist.

Athletes and friends mourn Byrdsong

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Three days before he was gunned down in front of two of his children, former Northwestern University basketball coach Ricky Byrdsong talked with his minister about violence in society.

"He said, 'I would hate to live in a neighborhood where you'd have to worry about being killed,'" Pastor Lyle Q. Foster told more than 1,600 mourners who gathered Wednesday to remember Byrdsong.

Byrdsong, who was 43, was shot last Friday near his home in suburban Skokie.

Authorities said he was killed by white supremacist Benjamin Nathaniel Smith, whose two-state shooting rampage left another man dead and nine wounded.

Mourners — family, friends, neighbors and others whose lives were touched by Byrdsong — squeezed into the First Presbyterian Church sanctuary or sat outside and listened to the

service on loudspeakers.

Evanston resident Kathleen Murphy stood outside the church with a sign that read, "Stop the Violence Please" in English, Japanese and Chinese.

"I put a message on the World Wide Web asking for translations and within hours I got response from Russia, Israel, California and Australia," Murphy said.

"This tragedy meant something to people all over the world."

Mourners testified to the fact that the former coach's reach far exceeded the boundaries of the basketball court, said Pastor Tom Nesbitt from Life Action Ministry in Buchanan, Mich.

"Forget the court. Forget the playing field. Ricky, you were an impact player in life," Nesbitt said.

Current and former basketball players, coaches and athletic directors — including Big Ten Commissioner Jim Delany, University of Arizona basketball coach Lute Olsen and NBA players Steve Kerr and B.J. Armstrong — were in attendance. Kerr and Armstrong also were pallbearers.

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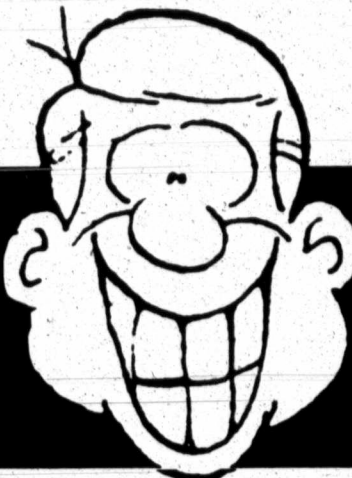


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Route 66 Rodeo Parade



(Special photo)

Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen Queen First Runner-up Nicole Bruton and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Brandy Kempf participated in the Route 66 Rodeo Parade in McLean recently. Kempf earned Honorable Mention at the parade. In the past few weeks, Kempf has participated in Dumas Dogie Days Celebration Parade, Spearman Heritage Days Celebration Parade, American Quarter Horse Association Junior Ranch Rodeo, Clarendon Rodeo, Canyon July Fourth Celebration Parade, Canadian Rodeo, Route 66 Speedway Benefit for Kristie Johnson and Junior Ranch Rodeo benefiting Hospice of Hansford County.

Amarillo College to hold Badger Boot Camp

AMARILLO — Amarillo College will operate a "Badger Boot Camp" for incoming first-year college students from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3. The registration deadline is July 20.

AC invites students and their parents to enlist in this special training session. For a fee of \$10, students will receive a T-shirt, a college planner and lunch. Parents may have lunch for \$5. Registration is limited to 150 students. Overnight lodging is available for out-of-town students and their parents at the Amarillo Technical Center.

This is the first year that parents are participating in orientation activities at AC.

"Orientation is for all new students; however, it is especially helpful for first-generation college students and their parents," said Renea Bell, director of Enrollment Management. "We hope to help the whole family understand the efforts of the college student..."

"When parents know what is expected of their sons and daughters at Amarillo College, they may become even more supportive. They will have a better idea of the study hours required for college courses compared to high school ones and as such they can help the student adjust work hours, expectations within the family, such as babysitting siblings, and that type of thing."

Besides informational sessions, students will participate in games, tours and a scavenger hunt. Optional advising and registration will be available for students who have completed testing requirements.

AC Student Services and the Student Training and Retraining Program are sponsoring the event. For more information, call (806) 371-5303.

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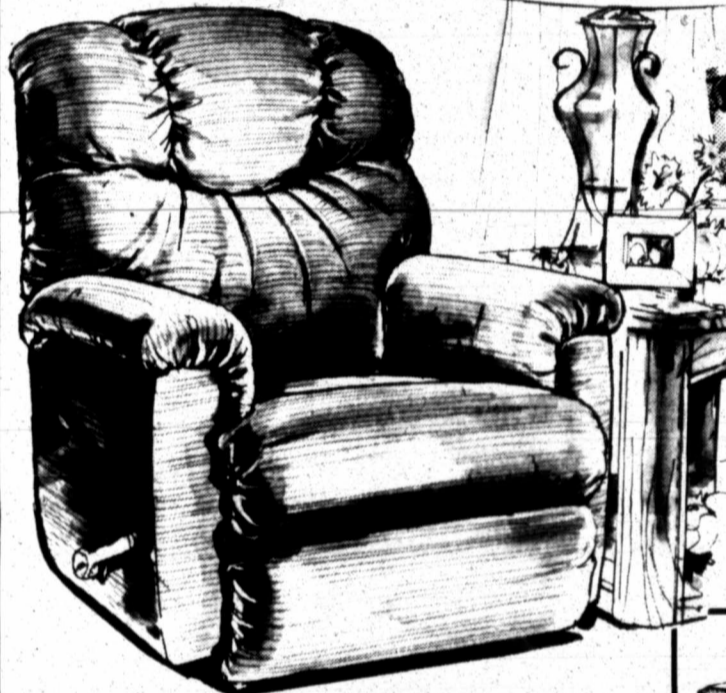
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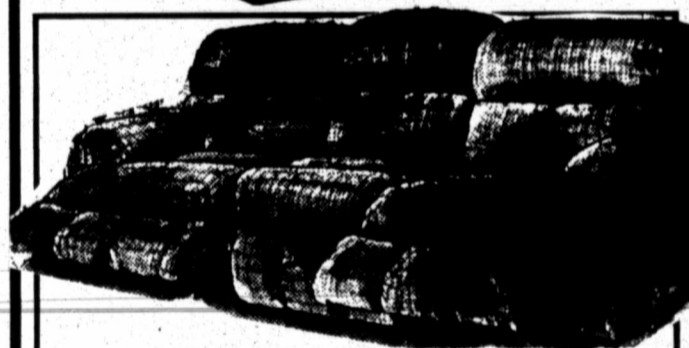
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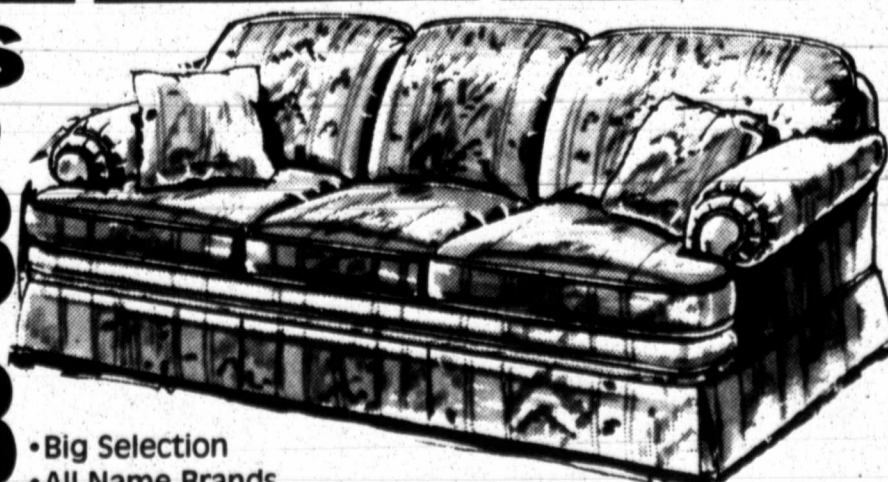
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