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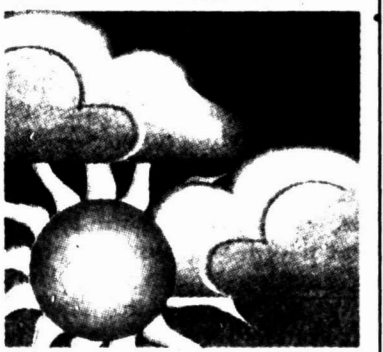


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No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 11-12-21-41-44-47.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$14 million.

PAMPA — Harvester Booster Club is raffling off prizes during each home game this season. The first drawing was last Friday. Prizes to be given away include a pair of Ray-Ban sunglasses donated by Regional Eye Center, two family-style dinners donated by Dyer's, a Harvester Mag flashlight donated by Dick Blain, a Harvester stadium seat courtesy of Harvester Booster Club and a grocery shopping spree in the amount of \$100 courtesy of Frank's Grocery. Tickets will be available at all freshman, junior varsity and varsity home games.

PAMPA — Pampa High School classes of 1952, 1953 and 1954 will be gathering Friday and Saturday for a time of reminiscing.

The former classmates will begin their activities on Friday afternoon with a round of golf at the Pampa Country Club.

During the Harvester-Sandie football game, the group will sit together. After the game a get-together for these classes will be in the M.K. Brown room at the Chamber of Commerce offices.

• Jerry Leigh Jamison, 35, former employee of Dal-Tile.

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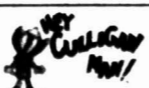
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PEDC director says he's been fired

Did PEDC action violate state's open meeting law?

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

PEDC Director Bill Ready says he has been terminated from his job he has held since April, even though there has apparently been no legal meeting by board to vote on the matter.

PEDC Board President Richard Stowers said he went to Ready's office about 3 p.m. Tuesday to

talk. Stowers wouldn't comment on what was said but told *The Pampa News* Ready has been put on "administrative leave" until the board meets Monday.

"I don't recall him mentioning administrative leave," Ready said in an interview last night. "The word he used was terminated."

Ready said Stowers asked him for his keys to the office and the

PEDC Suburban, his PEDC credit card and cellular phone.

"He wanted me to clear out my desk that night but I was in no shape to do it then. I went in the next morning, when someone was around," Ready said.

Asked if a quorum of the board had met to discuss the possibility of terminating Ready, Stowers said they had not.

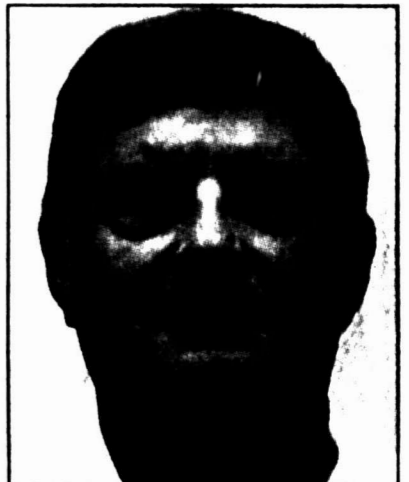
Stowers said he had talked informally "one-on-one" with "several members of the board" and they had reached a consensus. He said the formal action would wait until the meeting Monday and said much of the discussion will be in a closed-door session.

PEDC Board Vice President Roger David said in a telephone interview he would like to have the meeting public but he believes that would have to be requested by Ready.

The meeting will be at 9 a.m. on the second floor of the Bank



Richard Stowers
...PEDC board president



Bill Ready
...PEDC executive director

of America building on the corner of Cuyler and Foster.

State law requires that all decisions affecting a public agency be made during a called meeting. Stowers said he believes since a majority or quorum of the board never got together that the

law did not apply.

But a provision of the Texas Open Meetings Act states:

"A member or group of members of a government body commits an offense if [they] conspire to circumvent this chapter by

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"It doesn't matter if they (PEDC board) met on the street or in a bathroom or on the phone ... if they agreed on a policy decision it would be illegal."

— Freedom of Information Foundation attorney
Laura Stapleton

Assault on police officer nets fine, probation term

A 25-year-old Pampa man begins serving his sentence today after pleading guilty to aggravated assault against a public servant.

Carlos Albert Regalado was sentenced in 31st District Court Wednesday to 10 years probation and fined \$2,500 in connection with a confrontation with a Pampa police officer March 7.

Officer Corey Powell had gone to 929 S. Nelson that day to arrest Regalado on outstanding municipal warrants. Powell said when he arrived, Regalado was standing in the front room of the residence with his hands in the pockets of his sweat shirt.

Powell told Regalado that he was under arrest

and ordered Regalado to remove his hands from his pockets, but when Regalado's left hand came out of his sweat shirt pocket, it held a knife.

The officer pulled his pistol and ordered Regalado to drop the knife and get down on the floor as Officer Donnie Brown arrived. Powell said he holstered his weapon and pulled his baton, hitting Regalado on the legs. Wrestling Regalado to the ground, the officer cuffed Regalado and took him to Gray County jail.

Regalado was indicted for aggravated assault on a public servant on June 28. Judge Steven Emmert sentenced Regalado Wednesday morning.

Drug case cash seizure ok'd

The State of Texas today seized more than \$600 from a Pampa man facing drug charges.

Judge Lee Waters of the 223rd District Court today ordered \$660 forfeited by Feliciano Sandoval, 49, in connection with a June drug raid.

The money was seized along with a small amount of marijuana and cocaine following a drug raid June 16, on a residence at 408 N. Dwight.

Assistant District Attorney Matt Martindale said today that officers, acting on a tip that drugs were being sold at that address, went to the residence and knocked on the door. After receiving permis-

sion to enter, they found Sandoval lying on a couch in the living room with a small amount of what they believed to be marijuana on a nearby table.

Armed with a search warrant, officers found the money and what appeared four grams of cocaine.

Sandoval is free on a \$10,000 bond after being charged with possession of a controlled substance in connection with the drug raid.

Authorities said Sandoval also faces additional drug charges after being arrested a few weeks following the June drug raid.

Drug case yields prison time

An Arkansas man was on his way to prison today after pleading guilty to drug charges.

Walter Leon Heinzelman, 58, of Jonesboro, Ark., pleaded guilty Wednesday in 31st District Court to charges of possession of a controlled substance. Judge Steve Emmert sentenced Heinzelman to three years in prison.

Authorities said Department of Public Safety Trooper Lee Coronado stopped the 1985 Dodge pickup Heinzelman was driving on Feb. 15, 1998, when he noticed the passenger in the pickup, Jason Vaughn, was not wearing a seat belt.

After stopping the eastbound truck, Coronado said inconsistencies in comments from Heinzelman and Vaughn led him to ask for permission to search the truck.

After gaining permission, Coronado found a plastic bag containing a white powdery substance which he believed to be the illegal drug methamphetamine.

Coronado arrested both Heinzelman and Vaughn.

Assistant District Attorney Matt Martindale said the case against Vaughn is pending.

Teen Crimestoppers' tipsters make grade in bomb threat case

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Pampa Teen Crimestoppers is a tool which helps local law enforcement solve criminal cases.

A few days ago the Crimestoppers reward was the impetus for five local tipsters to notify authorities of the identity of the teen responsible for the bomb threat at Pampa Middle School. Each tipster received \$100.

Current Pampa Independent School District School Resource Officer Colby Brown said Teen Crimestoppers is attached to the adult Crimestopper organization. Donations of money specified for the teen group only goes to Teen Crimestoppers.

Teen Crimestoppers was begun in Pampa several years ago by then-School Resource Officer Fred Courtney, said Brown. Courtney was SRO for the district for four years before Brown assumed the position in April, 1998. Courtney is now a sergeant with the local police department.

The program is overseen by a board at the high school level. It has 18 members which include both teens and teachers. The board must approve payment to tipsters.

Brown emphasized the confidentiality of the information received by tipsters. He said often he doesn't know the identity of the students who receive the reward as they will go to teachers or counselors with the information. The staff members will see that the information is given to Brown.

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Guilty plea in shooting

WHEELER — A McLean man was a few dollars lighter today after pleading guilty to a drive-by shooting.

Hidelio Loya, 41, pleaded guilty Wednesday afternoon to a misdemeanor charge of deadly conduct in 31st District Court in Wheeler. Judge Steven Emmert fined Loya \$1,500 and ordered him to pay \$1,300 in restitution.

The charge stemmed from shots that were fired from Loya's pickup at another vehicle early on the morning of Sept. 7, 1997, in Wheeler.

Officials said no one was hit by the pistol shots.

The 41-year-old man was arrested a short time later, authorities said, after witnesses identified the pickup as being Loya's.

Hoover volunteer firefighters complete advanced schooling

Three members of the Hoover Volunteer Fire Department are ready for any kind of blaze after returning from advanced firefighting school this summer.

Dean Linger, Joe Millican and Wayne Hinds attended training school at Texas A&M University in College Station. The three attended Firefighting III classes at the 70th annual Texas Municipal Fire Training School in July.

Fighting III students spent much of their week at A&M on the Bravton Fire Training Ground, "bunkered out" in heavy and hot firefighting

equipment battling fires under controlled conditions.

The three attended classroom sessions on firefighter communications, firefighter inspections and preplanning, fire protection systems, general and specific fire problems, hydraulic and effective fire streams, ropes, knots and hitches and introduction to rescue.

Their combined operations on fires will include apartment complex fires, loading terminal fires, pipe rack fires, positive pressure ventilation, pressure pit manifold and drip pan fires and process unit fires.



Dean Linder, left, Joe Millican and Wayne Hinds pause with an oil fire in the background during a break at firefighting school.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

GALLMAN, Faye Cheyne — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Pampa.
 JAMISON, Jerry Leigh — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery, Canadian.

Obituaries

JERRY LEIGH JAMISON

CANADIAN — Jerry Leigh Jamison, 35, died Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1999. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Bradley K. Walker, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mr. Jamison was born at Spearman and graduated from high school at Canadian in 1982. Beginning in 1989, he moved, residing in the Fort Worth and Fort Lauderdale, Fla., areas prior to returning to Canadian in May. He worked for Dal-Tile from 1989-99.

Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Susan and Leon Sutton of Canadian; two brothers, Michael of Marble Falls and Joe Don of Amarillo; and his grandmother, Bette Clements of Bridgeport.

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

The body will not be available for viewing.

Correction

Jeremy Hernandez, 21, 404 N. Somerville, pled guilty to engaging in organized criminal activity for robbing the Taylor Mart at 600 E. Frederic on April, 23, 1998. He is not a suspect in the Taylor Mart robbery on August 26, 1999.

Kenneth Ray Black's address is 408 N. Sumner not as previously published.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.		
Wheat	2.28	
Milo	2.96	
Corn	3.50	
Soybeans	4.33	
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of completion.		
Occidental	24 1/16	up 1/16
Magellan	126.55	
Puntan	19.24	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.		
Amico	115 1/16	up 3/16
Arco	90 1/4	up 2/8
Cabot	23 7/16	NC
Cabot OAG	19 3/8	NC
Chevron	96 5/8	up 2 3/16
Coca-Cola	55 5/8	up 3/8
Columbia/HCA	24 3/4	up 1/8
Enron	41 1/16	up 5/8
Halliburton	49 7/8	up 2
IBM	4 3/4	up 1/8
KNE	22 9/16	up 9/16
Kerr McGee	59 5/8	up 15/16
Limited	37 7/16	up 1/2
McDonald's	42 7/16	up 1/16
Mobil	107 1/4	up 1 1/2
New Atmos	25 5/16	up 1/16
NCE	37 7/16	dn 1/2
Pennys	35 3/4	dn 7/16
Phillips	54 1/16	up 1 1/4
Pioneer Nat Res	11 3/16	up 5/16
SLB	69 3/16	up 2 1/4
Tenneco	20 1/8	dn 1/8
Texasco	67 11/16	up 2
Ultramar	26 1/2	dn 3/16
Wal-Mart	46 15/16	dn 3/16
Williams	40 13/16	up 1/16
New York Gold	256.15	
Silver	5.19	
West Texas Crude	22.66	

Police report

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

Wednesday, Sep. 8
 Theft of a 18-pack of beer was reported in the 1400 block of S. Starkweather.
 Theft of \$400 cash was reported in the 1000 block of Neel.
 A fight was reported at Pampa High School.

Thursday, Sep. 9
 Jennifer Renee Winegeart, 20, 112 N. Nelson, was arrested on charges of theft.

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, Sep. 8
 Josue Rodriguez, 19, 1113 Seneca Lane, was arrested on charges of unlawfully carrying a weapon.
 Belinda Francis Spencer, 25, 8016 N. Nelson, was arrested on charges of issuance of bad checks and theft by checks.

Fires

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

Wednesday, Sep. 8
 7:53 a.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to Foster and Cuyler on a car fire.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, Sep. 8
 10:54 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of Lea and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
 11:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of Nelson and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
 7:09 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of North Dwight and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
 8:02 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of South Barnes and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
 9:38 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of South Hughes and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....911
 Crime Stoppers.....669-2222

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meeting in numbers less than a quorum for the purpose of secret deliberations in violation of this chapter."

In Hitt vs. Mabry the Texas Court of Appeals found that informal meetings or telephone conferences to discuss or decide matters of public policy was a violation of the Open Meetings Act whether there is a quorum or not.

Freedom of Information Foundation attorney Laura Stapleton said it appeared that the telephone conferences were illegal.

"It doesn't matter if they met on the street or in a bathroom or on the phone if they agreed on a policy decision it would be illegal," she said from Austin today.

David and Secretary-Treasurer Jerry Foote both refused comment on the termination except David

did say he had discussed the matter with Stowers.

Ready said there had been no previous discussion about job performance with the board except last week when he said the board expressed concern over his putting 20,000 miles on the Suburban they leased about four months ago.

Ready quoted Stowers as saying the direction that he (Ready) was taking the PEDC was "inconsistent with their [the board member] desires."

"I'm at a loss," Ready said. "I sincerely do not understand what is going on."

Ready said he has never received a contract to sign from City Attorney Don Lane but the board had agreed to pay him six months salary if he was ever terminated by them. David said there were certain provisions in the deal which could lead to them not paying the salary.

Ready's wife is currently employed by the Pampa school district and his son is a freshman at PHS.

TEEN

The school resource officer then goes to the board for approval. He said board members are not told who gives the information either. Brown said the board just gives approval for payment of the funds.

"Normally the amounts paid by Teen Crimestoppers is not as much as what was paid last week," said Brown in referring to the \$500 paid at \$100 apiece to the five tipsters who came forward concerning the bomb threat. "We have state guidelines to go by. For example, the reward can be as high as \$1,000, but that is for capital murder." He emphasizes the average amount is usually much smaller. He said the amount is based on the state guidelines per the offense.

"Last year we gave away a total of \$2,200 and solved \$30,000 in property crime. One ounce of marijuana was also confiscated due to information through Teen Crimestoppers," said Brown.

Brown wishes more students would participate in the program. "A lot of teens won't participate. They don't want the reputation of being a 'rat' on their friends," he said. He said the Teen Crimestoppers program is a good program.

He said all donations received for Teen Crimestoppers are used for payment to tipsters. "This program is going to keep going," said Brown. "It's a good program."

While the Teen Crimestoppers is mainly in Pampa High, Brown's intention is to expand the organization to reach the Pampa Middle School students more during the current school year.

He related about a woman from California passing through Pampa in December, 1998, who purchased a copy of *The Pampa News* which had a story about Teen Crimestoppers who had recently awarded a reward for information.

After the woman returned to her home in California, she sent a \$50 donation to the Teen Crimestoppers fund as she was very impressed by the program and the work being done.

Currently, the organization has \$800 in donations which will be given away when proper information is received. Brown is proud of the local program. He said local people support the program which operates on donations.

Anyone desiring to donate to the Teen Crimestoppers may contact Brown at Pampa High School.

School bans book because of graphic violence, sex and bigotry

BOERNE, Texas (AP) — Boerne school officials have banned the use of an award-winning book from classes and removed it from the school library because they say it contains graphic violence, racial bigotry and honeymoon sex.

And a high school English teacher faces disciplinary action for what school administrators call "poor judgment" in assigning 80 seniors to read "Snow Falling on Cedars," a book about a Japanese-American man charged with murdering a fellow salmon fisherman on the Puget Sound after World War II.

Boerne High School Principal Sam Champion said Wednesday he was typing a letter of reprimand for English teacher Frances Riley, who had authorization to assign the seniors to read the book.

Ms. Riley says she still supports use of the novel by David Guterson, describing it as "a murder mystery, love story and history lesson all in one."

"The kids love it and were very disappointed that we stopped just when it was getting good," she told the San Antonio Express-News. "The main reason I chose it is I believe in utilizing current fiction to teach morals, values and issues."

Ms. Riley, who has taught English here since 1990, said the books is used in high school classrooms across the nation and was advertised in scholastic supply catalogues as appropriate for grades 10 and up.

R.L. Bien, English department chairman at Boerne High School, said he approved the book without reading it and now deems it inappropriate.

Ms. Riley voluntarily quit using the book after some administrators objected to some passages last Friday.

"The one-page sex scene didn't fly," she said, adding that the racial slurs used by soldiers during the war sent some students into "tizzies."

The teacher said she will consult the American Federation of Teachers, her union, about a possible challenge to the reprimand.

Two parents and several students complained about the book, Champion said. It was

named book of the year by the American Booksellers Association in 1995 and won the PEN/Faulkner Award. It was on the New York Times's best-seller list for more than a year and has sold more than 3 million copies.

Despite the awards and the book's popularity, Champion said the school had a responsibility.

"Parents entrust their kids to us, and we want to ensure it's a wholesome learning environment," Champion said. "We're a conservative community."

School Superintendent John Kelly called parts of the book "highly offensive" and said he ordered it removed from the library and barred from classes.

"It has 17 obscenities on one page, for example, and a graph-

ic scene involving the sexual organ of a dead boy, and it has an inappropriate sex scene not suitable for our high school students," Kelly said.

But 17-year-old Lara Hutto, one of Riley's students, didn't think such a fuss should have been made.

"To me, it's sad that these simple-minded people here can't put aside sexual things and appreciate the real literature," she said. "I'm going to finish it."

But classmate Jerald Meadows said it was "not school material" because it was "kind of grotesque."

Ms. Riley said she had forgotten about the questionable passages since reading the book two years ago, but she still considers it appropriate for seniors.

News in briefs ...

Poll: Bush widens lead over Gore, many weary of Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — George W. Bush has a commanding lead over Al Gore in a new poll about the 2000 presidential race, aided in part by a public desire for a change in national leadership.

Bush, governor of Texas and front-runner for the Republican nomination, had the support of 56 percent and Gore, vice president and Democratic front-runner, had the backing of 37 percent, in an ABC News-Washington Post poll out Wednesday. Bush had a similar lead in a matchup against the other Democrat in the race, former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley, who formally announced his candidacy Wednesday.

Gore has a better than two-to-one lead over Bradley among those who lean toward voting Democratic. But incumbency may be proving a burden for the vice president when competing with Bush, who has a four-to-one edge over his closest competitor, Elizabeth Dole.

McCain's goal simple: winning

NEW YORK (AP) — Sen. John McCain describes his strategy as a very simple one — overtaking Gov. George Bush for the Republican presidential nomination on the strength of "the bounce."

At least it sounds simple. Doing it won't be. To gain that kind of boost in the New Hampshire and North Carolina primaries next winter, McCain, or any other rival, would have to win or come close to it against Bush, who holds runaway leads in the public opinion polls.

There's a crowded field behind him, and McCain would have to emerge from it to become the ranking challenger.

And should McCain "do well," as he puts it, in those opening primaries, the compressed calendar would give him little time to parlay that into an advantage — and a fund-raising bonus — to take into the costly big state contests that are likely to anoint a nominee on or soon after March 7, when California, New York and 13 other states hold their primaries.

Danforth to head independent Waco probe as Reno urged to resign

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Republican Sen. John Danforth is launching an investigation into the FBI's 1993 Branch Davidian standoff amid more calls for the resignation of the attorney general who appointed him, Janet Reno.

Danforth spent most of the afternoon Wednesday at the Justice Department meeting with various officials, including Reno, about the scope of the investigation and how much authority he would have, according to government officials familiar with the discussions.

Reno's selection of Danforth came as the top Republican in the Senate said he now has doubts about who started the fire that ended the 51-day siege 6 1/2 years ago near Waco, Texas, and believes

it is time for Reno to step down.

Report: FBI says flares fired to stop compound entry

DALLAS (AP) — A military flare fired among evidence stored after the Branch Davidian siege may have been one of two such devices fired by FBI agents to stop an intruder from entering the sect's compound during the early days of the standoff, an FBI official has told The Dallas Morning News.

Two of the illumination flares were fired as members of the FBI's Hostage Rescue Team kept watch over the compound near Waco, Texas, said FBI spokesman John Collingwood.

"From talking to people in our Hostage Rescue Team, at one time, when your floodlight illumination was not active, they shot two parachute illumination rounds because of concern about people trying to sneak into the compound," Collingwood said.

Texas Rangers discovered the spent remains of one of the devices, a star parachute flare, when they searched a Waco storage facility Friday for missing pyrotechnic tear-gas grenades.

Some new townhouses built for sailors go to civilians instead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sixty new apartments built by a private developer under a government experiment to improve off-base housing for military families have been rented instead to civilians, partly because they're too expensive for sailors.

The garden-style units near Corpus Christi, Texas, range in rent from \$525 to \$835 a month. That exceeds what junior sailors receive in housing allowances, putting the homes out of reach for some, according to Navy officials.

Petty Officer 1st class John Turner's \$698 housing allowance isn't enough to cover his \$750-a-month rent and \$200 in utility expenses. Turner said he took a four-bedroom apartment at the Corpus Christi complex a year ago because he had only a week to find a place for his wife and three children.

"I was shocked that we had to pay so much," said his wife, Angela. To conserve money, she's cut back on groceries and keeps the blinds drawn all day to save on air-conditioning.

Historic carrier on auction block

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — The USS Cabot lived up to its nickname, "The Iron Woman," by withstanding torpedo, battleship, submarine and Kamikaze attacks in World War II.

Now rusting in a boat slip in Brownsville, the USS Cabot was to be auctioned by the U.S. Marshal's Service today to pay off the debt racked up by the once mighty ship.

The Education Council for Space Age Technology, or ECOSAT, has collected hundreds of thousands of dollars in donations and will be one of the eager bidders.

"She is the last of her kind," said Stephen O'Neal, chairman of the Miami-based nonprofit group.

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Mostly sunny today with a high in the upper 80s and southeast winds at 5-10 mph. Mostly clear tonight with a low in the mid 60s and southeast winds at 5-15 mph. Tomorrow, partly cloudy with a high of 90 and southeast-south winds at 10-20 mph. Yesterday's high was 77, the overnight low 62.

PANHANDLE — Tonight, mostly clear. Low in the upper 50s. South wind 5-15 mph. Friday, partly cloudy. High in the upper 80s. South wind 15-20

mph with higher gusts. STATEWIDE — Finally. A reprieve.

Most parts of Texas can expect below normal temperatures today, as cool fronts put the chill on the summer heat wave.

North Texas can expect scattered cloudiness and light winds. Forecasters predict high temperatures in the upper 80s to lower 90s, with lows in the 60s.

In West Texas, a northwesterly flow aloft was making way for partly cloudy skies and slightly cooler temperatures across the region.

The forecast calls for a slight

chance of showers and thunderstorms across far West Texas. Highs through Friday should be in the 80s and 90s, with lows sinking to the 50s across the northern panhandles and the southwest mountains.

In South Texas, a weak cold front was pushing southward, bringing mild temperatures.

On Wednesday evening, a line of strong to severe thunderstorms clipped portions of southeast Texas. Dime size hail was reported in La Porte.

Highs today are expected in the upper 80s and 90s, with more rain possible.

City Briefs

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BIG SUMMER Sale- Tralee Re-Sale Shop, 1/2 Price all Summer clothing. Hrs. 10-3 p.m. Mon-Sat.

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PIECEMAKERS CALENDAR 2000 Quilt class at Sand's Fabrics, starting Sept. 18, deadline to sign up is Sept 14. 669-7909.

SILVER CITY Amusement Grand Opening. Fri., Sat. 10-11 Sept. 99. Spin-to-win. 900 S. Hobart 669-1606

STITCHES FROM My Heart Quilt class starting Sept. 18 deadline to sign up is Sept. 13. Quilts on display at Sand's Fabrics. 669-7909.

TIME TO Winterize your lawns with Fertilome winterizer. Pre-emergent weed controls also in Stock at Watson's Garden Center. 125 N. Somerville

WESTERN LAZART now at Rolanda's Silk Flowers & Gifts.

Pampans supportive of relatives suffering from Alzheimer's

By TERRI WITT
Pampa Nursing Center

We all have read the statistics about the aging of America. Our average life expectancy is now 76 years. We know the chances are good, 43 percent, that we will live in a nursing home at some point during our life, and we have also heard the scary statistics about Alzheimer's disease. Ten percent of Americans over 65 have Alzheimer's and 50 percent of Americans over 85 have the disease. This is what the newspapers and magazines tell us. None of it is real until it touches us. When it is our parent, spouse or neighbor, these are not interesting facts, this is "our life" and what are we going to do!

I have been thinking a lot about Alzheimer's disease, and being a Pampan recently, and I thought I would merge these thoughts into a local interest story for my neighbors.

At the age of 39, I was forced into making the decision regarding nursing home care for my mother. This was twelve short months after burying my father and during the teenage rebellion years at my house. I didn't want to be the decision maker. I wasn't ready. It didn't matter. Mom needed constant care, so did my kids. My bills still needed paying and the hospital discharge planner needed an answer.

Two years ago a position at a local nursing home became available. It was for an admission's coordinator, someone who would advise families regarding nursing home care. It didn't sound like a job, it sounded like a calling.

I have learned more than I have taught. I have learned the most from the victims of Alzheimers and their caregivers. I have also learned from the community. Pampans care about their neighbors. Pampans' trust other Pampans. Pampans are making a difference in the lives of Alzheimer's victims and could do even more.

Pampans tend to take care of their family members with dementia at home. They take care of them and sacrifice their own social life, routine and sleep. They are instinctively good at this. They learn a little from books and TV programs but they know in their "gut" how to provide care. Just as we instinctively parent our newborns, we instinctively parent our elders.

I sometimes point out to family members that "you can't win an argument with an Alzheimer's patient." How silly of me! The families already know this! They gave up arguing a long time ago. The families tell me stories of safety pinning themselves to their mom so they are sure to awaken in the middle of the night. They tell me of turning off the gas, removing knobs, hiding keys,

locking windows and praying, and praying again before they risk going to sleep at night.

Pampans' receive support from their neighbors. Sometimes families privately seek out nursing

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home information. Many times they bring an entourage of family members and neighbors with them when they come to look around. They trust their neighbors eyes and ears as well as their own.

Pampans' support each other. Pampa's Alzheimer Support Group, under the direction of Dauna Sue and Suzie Wilkinson, has been active since 1978. The group is informal and loving. After a recent meeting, I was pulled aside and asked about the well-being of one of the caregivers; the group was concerned.

Pampans' volunteer and understand commitment. The Secure Care Unit of the nursing home is a family place. Families often begin bringing cakes when their loved one is in the nursing home. Long after their loved one has passed away, the cakes still come. A group of local musicians "jam" once a month for the residents. You can not help but to be lifted up while watching an Alzheimer's resident dance for hours. Nurses and nurse aides truly love the residents and pass up promotions, transfers and other jobs because "they can't leave their residents."

Pampans' have a generous pocket. Times may be lean but when a call goes out for donations for the annual Memory Walk for Alzheimer's Research the donations are forthcoming.

Pampans' have a sense of humor and depend on it during the disease process. I have been entertained by families and residents with anecdotes and smiles. I also get the occasional tease that keeps me in line and boosts the "teaser" in the process. These are my favorite stories: While mopping up a spill I have had a resident exclaim "why it's about time you got promoted!" The smile on the resident's face was priceless. Recently while conducting a tour I noticed an Alzheimer's patient wearing her coat. Since the temperature was 95 degrees I decided to ask about it. I gently asked the resident "are you cool?" Her reply was simple "not with my coat on." Last week a female resident asked "since I have been living here, have you heard about my husband running around on me?" The nurse answered, "No, I have not heard that." The resident replied "neither have I."

I plan to write an article describing the signs and stages of Alzheimers, but first I wanted to write about the local experience.

I am occasionally asked, "Isn't it depressing working in a nursing home?" Of course not.

I am occasionally asked, "Do you like living in Pampa?" Of course.

Authorities foil teen's web date, place 21-year-old in custody

INDEPENDENCE, Ky. (AP) — A teen-age girl's plan to run away with a man she met on the Internet ended four hours after their first encounter: he went to jail; she went home to her parents.

As the 13-year-old sat in a taxicab beside the 21-year-old man, he started talking about witchcraft and showing her places on his body where he had cut himself, police said.

The girl also spotted a noose and several Bibles in his backpack.

"She realized this was going to be more than a joy ride," said police Lt. Shawn Butler, who is in charge of the investigation that landed the man behind bars Monday in Louisville.

Danny L. Marr, 21, of Houston, was charged with custodial interference and is being held in the Jefferson County jail in Louisville on \$10,000 bond.

Custodial interference means an individual has take a minor without the knowledge of his or her parents. Marr pleaded innocent Tuesday and will be scheduled for his next court hearing in Jefferson County in the next two weeks.

The girl, who is not being identified by police, is back home with her parents. Police said the family did not want to comment.

The girl's grandparents saw her get in a taxicab with the man at 3:30 p.m. and called police, Butler said. By 7:30 p.m., Louisville police stopped the pair in a bus terminal in Louisville.

Louisville police spokesman Aaron Graham said they had a description of the girl and Marr's first name from Independence police.

The search included police from Independence, Cincinnati and Louisville and the FBI, said Butler.

He said the girl's grandparents got the license plate number of the cab. The girl had left a long note to her parents explaining that she wanted to get away for a while and that she would call them, Butler said.

In the note, she said they

WTAMU announces 1999 Career Expo

CANYON — More than 80 employers and graduate-school administrators are expected to attend West Texas A&M University's Career Expo from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16 in the Virgil Henson Activities Center Ballroom.

"This is a great opportunity for students at any point during their college experience," Kim Storey, assistant director of Career and Counseling Services, said.

This year marks WTAMU's 25th Career Expo.

"We have several of the same recruiters that come each year," Storey said. "Students can use this opportunity to develop a relationship with the recruiter and to get to know more about the company."

Japanese exhibit kicks off museum's 1999-00 season

AMARILLO — The Amarillo museum of Art's 1999-2000 exhibition season will begin Saturday, Sept. 11 with the opening of "Illusion and Reality: Edo Period Japanese Prints and Scroll Paintings from the Collection of Dr. and Mrs. William T. Price." The exhibition is the culmination of a year and a half of research by the museum's consulting curator for Asian art, Dr.

John Teramoto. The exhibition will continue through Jan. 9, 2000.

Dr. Teramoto researched and inventoried the Prices' substantial collection of Japanese prints and paintings along with the museum's holdings of like material which has been gifted to the museum by the Prices' since 1995. The result is a stunning 125-piece exhibition which explores, Edo (1615-1868) period art.

The exhibition is accompanied by a catalogue which has 80 illustrations and eight scholarly essays.

Dr. Teramoto's year-and-a-half-long research of the museum's Japanese print holdings and development of the catalogue's scholarship was funded by a grant from the Amarillo Area Foundation. Research assistance was conducted by Cori Sherman of The Spencer Museum of Art, University of Kansas, and Dr. Loralu Rabum, of the Museum's Board of Trustees.

The museum is located at 2200 S. Van Buren. It is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday - Friday and from 1-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is free. For more information, call (806) 371-5050 for more information.

Bears help when children need a hug

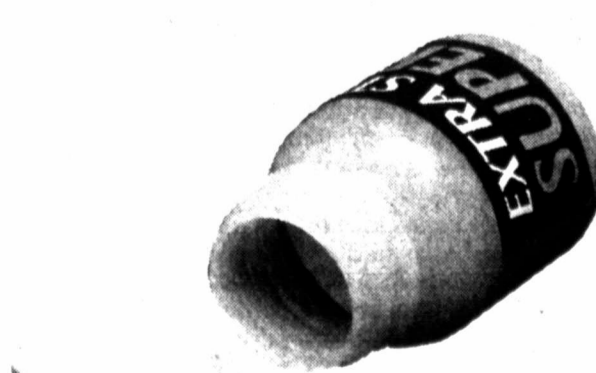
Children need a hug, and often times want something to hug. Some Pampa children will be recipients of cuddly bears this holiday season. Local Avon representatives have joined together in Operation "Hug a Bear", a campaign to give a little joy to a child in need this holiday season.

According to Judy Hart, district sales manager, if at least 2,000 bears are purchased at a cost of \$16.99 each, \$12,000 will be raised. The cuddly bears by Gund will be donated to the Tralee Crisis Center, the Salvation Army, local daycare centers and other worthy organizations to distribute the bears to children.

The profits from the sale of the bears during Chatatauqua were to go to 16-year-old Amy Newhouse who is a cancer patient.

Anyone who would like to assist, may contact Hart at 665-3905, Renell Cloud, 665-6312; and Katrina Hart, 669-7268. Orders will be taken through the first the October.

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Museum in McLean to hold open house

McLEAN — The McLean/Alanreed Area Museum in McLean will hold an all-day open house beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11 to mark its 30th anniversary. A special program will be at 3 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend the celebration. Concessions will be provided and special gifts and tours will be part of the events.

Exhibits will include a McLean POW Camp display featuring photos and memoirs from former employees, guards and prisoners. Another attraction will be the Photo Wall with enlarged photographs of early day McLean and Alanreed. Viewers may help the museum identify individuals in certain pictures.

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Crimestoppers: Money talks

Money talks.
 I was thinking about this after I heard that local police officers were informed by tipsters to Teen Crimestoppers of the identity of a local teen making a bomb threat to the local middle school.

A 14-year-old boy was taken into custody Friday morning and turned over to the juvenile authorities because he called in a bomb threat to Pampa Middle School shortly after school was dismissed at 3 p.m. Thursday.

There were winners in this situation, and it was the anonymous tipsters who turned in the person making the threat. The tipsters received \$500.

Over 900 students at the middle school were affected by this incident, not to mention the apprehension felt by their parents. The teachers and other school personnel's adrenalin kicked into gear along with the local law enforcement and fire department.

It just got me to thinking about how times have changed. Back in the "olden days" very few teenagers would have even thought about threatening to blow up their school. But, of course, those were the "Eisenhower years".

Now, the kids raised back then weren't angels. Many were far from it, but most would have been afraid of the consequences. (This was the age when parents didn't hesitate to use leather straps across a teen's behind, or grab switches from trees for legs of little ones.)

Of course, this age-group wasn't raised on television. We were half-grown before televi-



Nancy Young

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sion stations came to Amarillo, so we didn't cut our teeth on violence around the world. Was there as much violence back then? I don't think so, but my perception could be altered by time and the circumstances of not being aware of it. However, there were countless World War II movies.

As I drifted back in time the last few days pondering last week's events, and the past few months of school violence, I remembered a group of teenagers placing a goat in the school over the weekend before Halloween one year. Back then, the window to the boys athletic dressing rooms was always left unlocked and entry could be gained quite easily, and it was common knowledge. Many students would obtain their forgotten books from lockers in this manner, too. Or sometimes gain access to play basketball in the gym.

As the majority of these teens were from an agricultural background, they considered the fact that Billy Goat would need food before he was probably discovered on Monday: So, they put hay in the halls for him to eat.

Now they didn't count on the tremendous mess Billy Goat would make with the hay as well as his slamming his head into lockers. No drugs or alcohol were involved. Come Monday morning the principal had the amazing deductive powers of Hercule Poirot and knew immediately who had performed this prank. (Of course, all involved were doubled over in laughter.)

Parents and police weren't called. Teens cleaned the mess and received boards across their backsides. They probably had to write a 500-word theme, too, and then received punishment when they arrived home. The teens also had to pay for damages.

But times have changed. There weren't the numbers of government agencies involved such as juvenile agencies and child abuse groups to contact. Today's world is more complicated with increased technological advancements. There weren't as many attorneys around either.

I was at a reunion a couple of months ago with many of those who were perpetrators in the "Billy Goat" escapade of four decades ago. All became successful in their chosen fields. Most went on to be teachers, coaches, businessmen, oil company executives, lawyers, ministers and accountants. Many are now retired.

Four decades from now I wonder what the Clinton Years will look like to those who are teenagers now. Will the 1990s seem as simple and uncomplicated to them as the memory of the late 1950s do to us? Only time will tell.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Sept. 9, the 252nd day of 1999. There are 113 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 9, 1776, the Second Continental Congress made the term "United States" official, replacing "United Colonies."

On this date:

In 1850, California became the 31st state of the union.

In 1919, most of Boston's 1,500-member police force went on strike.

In 1926, the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) was

created by the Radio Corporation of America.

In 1943, Allied forces landed at Salerno and Taranto during World War II.

In 1948, the People's Democratic Republic of Korea (North Korea) was created.

In 1956, Elvis Presley made the first of three appearances on "The Ed Sullivan Show."

In 1957, President Eisenhower signed the first civil rights bill to pass Congress since Reconstruction.

In 1971, prisoners seized control of the maximum-security Attica

Correctional Facility near Buffalo, N.Y., beginning a siege that would kill 43 people.

In 1976, Communist Chinese leader Mao Tse-tung died in Beijing at age 82.

In 1993, PLO leaders and Israel agreed to formal recognition, clearing the way for a peace accord.

Ten years ago: West German Steffi Graf won the women's tennis title at the U.S. Open in New York, defeating second-ranked Martina Navratilova.

Five years ago: The United States agreed to accept at least 20,000 Cuban immigrants a year in return

for Cuba's promise to halt the flight of refugees. Prosecutors in Los Angeles said they would not seek the death penalty for O.J. Simpson. The space shuttle Discovery blasted off on an 11-day mission.

One year ago: Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr delivered to Congress 36 boxes of material concerning his investigation of President Clinton. Four tourists who had paid \$32,500 each were taken in a tiny submarine to view the wreckage of the Titanic, 2 1/2 miles below the Atlantic off Newfoundland.

Texas Editorials

Odessa American on the forgotten war with Iraq:
 The "war that nobody notices" is finally getting long overdue coverage as recent events have refocused attention on Iraq. Sparking the interest: America and Britain have kept up air attacks on Iraq, and a new United Nations report documents the suffering that U.S.-backed economic sanctions have helped cause.

Given America's recent air war against Serbia, its military campaign in Colombia on behalf of the drug war, and talk of possible U.S. military involvement to defend Taiwan or to target Osama bin Laden, its easy to forget about Iraq.

But attacks have been fierce and relentless. Since December, the American-led effort has rained down 1,100 missiles on Iraq, with pilots flying "two-thirds as many missions as NATO pilots flew over Yugoslavia in 78 days of around-the-clock war there," according to a front-page New York Times.

This forgotten war shows no signs of abating. According to the Times, some Clinton officials want to increase the attacks, and a bipartisan group of senators and congressmen urged the administration to consider an even more punishing policy if Saddam Hussein refuses to comply with United Nations weapons inspections.

Pentagon officials say that Saddam is responsible for the attacks because U.S. and British pilots only fire after Iraqi forces track or fire upon Western aircraft. Still, the U.S. presence along no-fly-zones a policy that has never been approved by the United Nations certainly provides a tripwire for military escalation.

In a related matter, UNICEF has released the results of a study of infant mortality in Iraq following the 1991 Gulf War. The data seems to support what opponents of U.S.-backed economic sanctions have long argued: Sanctions have contributed to a twofold hike in infant mortality, and have contributed to the deaths of a half-million Iraqi children in about a decade.

These U.N. Security Council sanctions, which shut down most Iraqi trade and only allow the import of an inadequate "food basket" to feed the population, have taken a greater toll on ordinary Iraqis than the ongoing air war. Its simply war waged by other means.

U.S. officials downplay the effects of sanctions. The UNICEF survey, they say, revealed that their effects have been muted in the sections of Iraq where the United Nations directly distributes supplies under the oil-for-food program.

Americans need to ask why the United States supports a policy that has not undermined the tyrannical Iraqi government, but has reduced a country to pre-modern living standards. Americans also need to ask why the administration wantonly bombs Iraqi targets without explaining its long-term intentions or getting a declaration of war from Congress, as required by the Constitution.

Both efforts seem intended to demoralize and weaken the Iraqi people, in the hopes that will they rise up and overthrow the government. But the policies haven't had much success, and even if they did, there's little chance that a new leader will be more democratic than the old one.

Because American leaders remain blind to the counterproductive nature of their policies, its up to the American people to remind them. Perhaps the Times report and the UNICEF study will spark a national debate about whether Iraq really remains Americas enemy.

It's never too soon to start one.

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National media needs to get a life

I don't write columns giving advice to politicians. That's nonsensical and egotistical. But I sympathize with Texas Gov. George Bush for refusing to answer questions about his private life.

If it were me, I'd simply say to the press: "I discuss my private life with family and friends, and you are neither. Therefore, if you have no questions about public policy matters, this press-conference is over."

They are only bugging Bush about a purely hypothetical question has he ever used cocaine because most of them are partisan liberal Democrats and, in their simpliminded way, think they are getting even for all the troubles their hero, Bill Clinton, had.

But there is no valid parallel. Clinton's problems were self-caused and were not about his sex life which, I assure you, I had no interest in, given his deplorable taste in women — but about perjury and obstruction of justice. Furthermore, except for one short span, Clinton has never had a private life, having sucked on the public teat virtually his entire adult life.

More importantly, however, the public, saddled with the task of picking the next president, has no need to know anything about any of the candidates' private lives in their distant youth.

They need to know what the candidates' record of public service is, if any. And they need to know the candidates' thinking on issues such



Charley Reese

syndicated columnist

as trade policy, foreign policy, the federal budget, the military, Medicare, Social Security and other such issues in which the political reporters appear to have zero interest and even less knowledge than they have interest.

My guess is that the public will side with Bush rather than the press on this matter. In the recent unpleasantness in Washington, about the only people who came out looking worse than Clinton were those in the press. The line between what used to be called the legitimate press and the supermarket tabloids vanished. Some polls show that, in terms of public trust, the press is down among the used-car salesmen and the ambulance-chasing lawyers.

As for that politically coined cliché "family values," any politician who uses it should be immediately dismissed from consideration. He's either a deliberate liar or is so ignorant of

government that he shouldn't be trusted with a village councilman's job.

There is nothing the federal government can do about the private moral values of the American people. Government has no moral function. It is institutionalized force. It is about levying and collecting taxes. It is about redistribution of income. It is about depriving people of life and liberty (the criminal justice system). It is about military force and its application. It is about trade policies and monetary policies and immigration policies. It is not about preaching morality to private individuals. That's the job of religion and philosophy.

Any politician who stands up and tells you he or she is going to restore or champion family values is insulting your intelligence or displaying his or her own lack of intelligence.

Any journalist who speculates on hypothetical activities by candidates in their youths is wasting your time and failing in his or her own duty to provide the public with useful information on which they can make informed decisions about their public business.

I'm concerned about my trade's future. It's bad enough that public education graduates people who either can't or have little interest in reading. We in the business don't need to alienate the few left who can and do read by imitating the tabloids.

Reno was kept repeatedly in the dark

Attorney General Janet Reno is frustrated — not to say angry — at what she wasn't told, again. This time the problem is what she didn't know, and the FBI didn't tell, about the raid on the Branch Davidian cult compound near Waco six years ago.

Not to say angry because she avoids the word, even though people keep not telling her things about troublesome cases.

And Congressional Republicans keep telling her to resign, over Waco, over the handling of the nuclear spying investigation and, repeatedly, over her refusal to seek an outside prosecutor on Democratic, and White House, fund raising for the 1996 presidential campaign.

She has ordered an independent investigation into the use of potentially flammable, military tear gas canisters by the FBI before agents moved in to end the 51-day standoff with the Branch Davidians in April 1993. The assault ended with the wooden compound ablaze, and more than 80 people dead.

The FBI says the blaze was not set by the military tear gas canisters, and that the cult leaders set the fire themselves.

But there always have been questions, and conspiracy theories, about Waco, and the FBI always has said no potentially incendiary devices were used. On their say so, the attorney general said so too.

She said the discovery that the FBI had used flammable cartridges tarnished her credibility, that she was upset and frustrated. Then she learned that the FBI had discovered tapes of an agent getting permission to use the devices, and didn't tell her about that for four days. She sent U.S. marshals across the street to impound the tapes as evidence in reopened investigations of

she'd be honored to stay, and Clinton kept her.

In those days, the independence that irked some of her administration colleagues made her a Republican favorite. But not when she repeatedly refused to seek independent counsels to investigate Democratic fund raising for the 1996 presidential campaign. She said the allegations involved did not meet the terms of the independent counsel law, which has since expired.

Republicans demanded that she name one or resign.

In that controversy, in 1997, videotapes of 44 White House coffees for Democratic campaign donors turned up, but the Justice Department wasn't told until it leaked into print.

"I was mad," Reno said then. But she also said there was nothing on the tapes to warrant a special prosecutor.

FBI Director Louis Freeh sent her a memo saying he favored an independent counsel on campaign fund raising, advice that became public just as she was being questioned by Congress about her decision to say no.

Earlier this year, Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, said she should resign because of mishandling of the investigation into alleged Chinese spying at U.S. nuclear laboratories. She acknowledged delays, and said she had not been told of an internal decision in 1997 against FBI electronic surveillance of a man suspected of nuclear spying.

Now Waco, and again, FBI information she didn't get. For all of it, she insists that she and Freeh, who came to his job after Waco, are not at odds.

She said they have one of the best relationships anyone could have in law enforcement. If theirs is among the best, bad ones must really be ugly.

Walter Mears
 AP Special correspondent

Waco, an extraordinary errand she said later was with FBI concurrence.

"Everybody has commented on whether I'm angry or not," she said Friday. "I don't think this is a matter of anger — this is a matter of getting to the truth."

A White House spokesman said President Clinton was concerned that Reno "appears to have been misled and may have been lied to" about Waco.

But Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said even if she was, she should resign.

"Not knowing is not an excuse," he said. Gramm said the attorney general always seems to be the last to know. Two Republican presidential candidates, Steve Forbes and Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, said they would have fired her by now.

"If the truth shows that I've done something wrong, then I will accept the consequences," the attorney general said Friday.

Calls for her resignation date back to the days after the Waco episode on April 19, 1993, only five weeks after she became the first female attorney general. She said she took complete responsibility for the decision to send in federal agents and use tear gas to end the siege.

Clinton backed her handling of the case. Later, after she'd had four independent counsels appointed to investigate top administration officials, there were reports that some people in the White House — never identified — wanted her out of Clinton's second-term Cabinet. She said

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 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
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EMMAUS REUNION
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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.

RED CROSS
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LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Lovett Memorial Library will offer the Fall 1999 Pre-School Story Hour beginning at 10 a.m. every Tuesday from Sept. 7-Dec. 14. All children between 18 months and 5 years of age are welcome to participate. Stories, crafts and activities are planned.

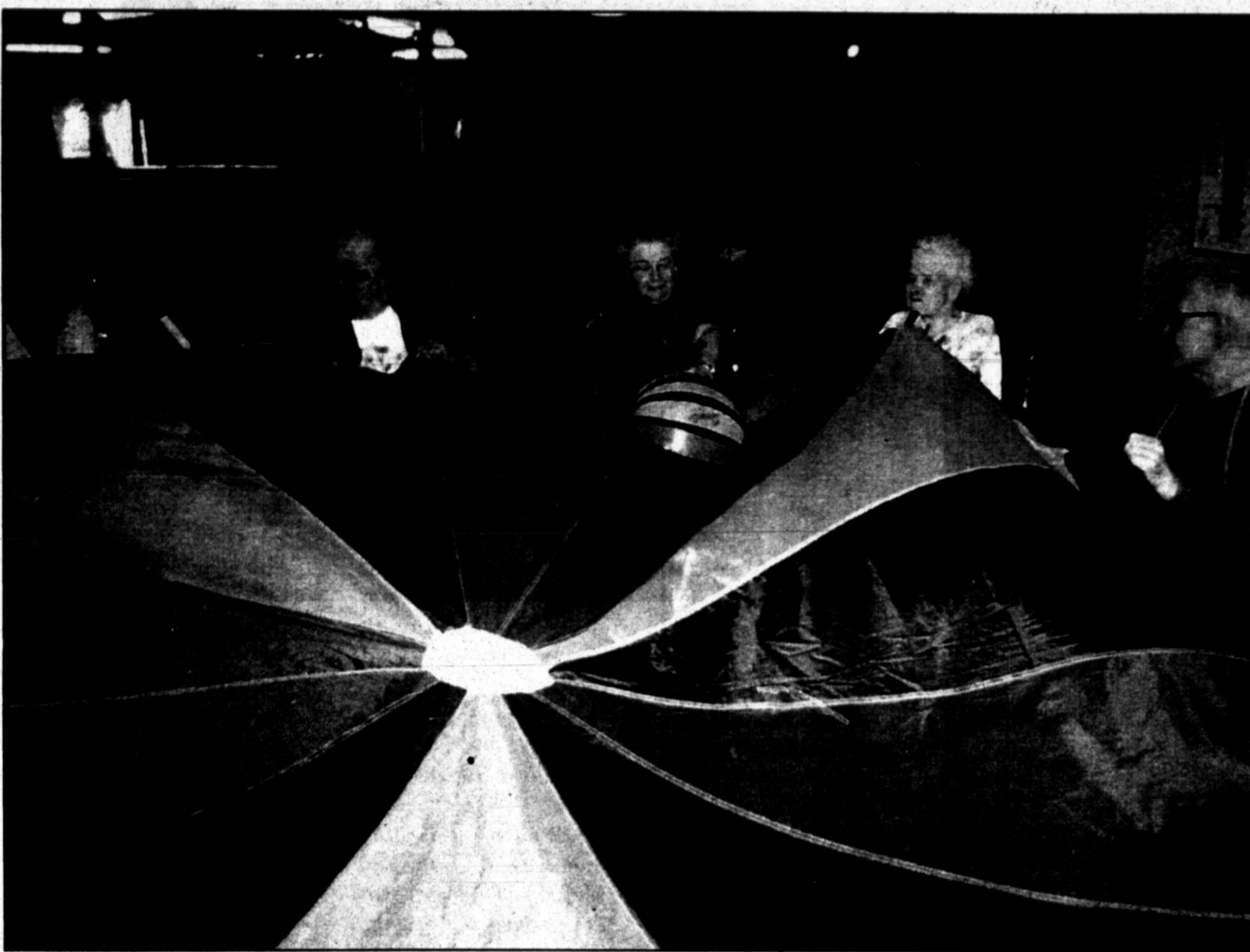
Special programs will be announced. All programs are free and no registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

BLOOD DRIVE
Westgate Mall is sponsoring a blood drive from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sept. 11 in Center Court of the mall. Requirements: Donors must be in good health; weigh over 110 pounds; and be over 17 years of age. Donors may give blood every 56 days. For more information, call Linda Guthrie at (806) 358-4563.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
The Texas Department of Health will be having an immunization clinic offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and varicella (chickenpox). The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinics open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered:

- 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Sept. 13, Wheeler School, Wheeler;
- 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sept. 15, Family Health Center of Pampa, 600 W. Kentucky;
- 1-4 p.m., Sept. 16, White Deer School, White Deer;
- 1-4:30 p.m., Sept. 23, Rural Health Clinic, McLean;
- 11 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., Sept. 27, City Hall first floor, 6 Main St., Canadian.

CLARENDON COLLEGE
Clarendon College-Pampa Center will offer a continuing education computer course for beginning computer users from 1-3 p.m., Sept. 13-29. In addition, CC-Pampa Center will offer Internet I during October and Excel during November. To register or for more information, call Pampa Center at (806) 665-8801.



Parachute activities strengthen arms and smiles. Residents of Pampa Nursing Center parachute to music under the direction of Activities Department. Above: (left-right) Willie Manry, Pansy Cargille, Frances McCracken, Helen Givens, Floyd Austin.

Man imprisoned extra 19 years; missing paperwork

WARMINSTER, Pa. (AP) — A man convicted of murder in 1965 spent an additional 19 years in prison because of some misplaced paperwork. David Marshall Brown, 54, was freed after his lawyer discovered a copy of the missing seven-page plea agreement in the file of Brown's co-defendant, who was released in 1976 under the same deal Brown had with prosecutors. The agreement made Brown eligible for release no later than 1980.

Brown, a Warminster native, was freed last Friday, The Philadelphia Inquirer reported this morning. His lawyer, Sharon Meisler, declined to comment on his whereabouts but said he was living in the area.

"It's hard to say exactly what went wrong in this case," Meisler said. "It looks like just a series of errors, premature motions and some legal gobbledygook that caused it to be disposed of the wrong way."

Brown was 19 when he was charged with two other men in the murder of Eugene T. Jordan, a 62-year-old delicatessen owner. He was accused of accompanying the shooter into the delicatessen; the third man allegedly drove the getaway car.

He and the driver of the car pleaded guilty to first-degree murder and robbery in exchange for a deal that stipulated that the District Attorney's Office would not dispute parole after 15 years — despite their life sentences, Meisler said. The other man was freed under that deal. The shooter, not part of the plea deal, continues to serve a life sentence.

Edward D. Ohlbaum, a Temple University Law School professor and former Philadelphia public defender, called the failure to free Brown

"incomprehensible." "Certainly some people who were alive, that were part of this negotiation, should have known about this," Ohlbaum said. "This was not something that was recorded in the dark in Sanskrit."

From 1980 onward, a series of

attorneys representing Brown filed motions seeking his release under the terms of the plea agreement. But no reference to the agreement had been entered into the court record, and the prosecutor at the time could not recall any deal. Brown's original lawyer is dead, Meisler said.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Special Election
NOVEMBER 2, 1999

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 44 - HJR 44 proposes a constitutional amendment that would ensure a clear succession in event of vacancies in the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor. Specifically, the amendment would provide that if after qualifying for the office, the Governor is temporarily unable to serve, the Lieutenant Governor shall act as Governor until the Governor is able to serve; but if the Governor is permanently unable to serve, the Lieutenant Governor shall become the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term. The amendment would require a Lieutenant Governor who becomes Governor to forfeit the office of Lieutenant Governor. The amendment would also provide similar succession procedures when a vacancy occurs in the office of Governor before the newly elected Governor qualifies for office, and when the newly elected Governor is temporarily unable to take office. The amendment also would provide that if there is a temporary vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate will fill the position; but if there is a permanent vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate shall serve as Lieutenant Governor only until such time as the whole senate can convene to elect one of its members to perform the duties of Lieutenant Governor. Finally, the amendment would provide that if the Lieutenant Governor, while temporarily exercising the powers of the Governor, becomes temporarily disabled for unable to serve, the President pro tempore of the senate shall exercise the powers and authority of the office of the Governor until such time as the Governor or Lieutenant Governor resumes those powers and duties.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to revise the provisions for the filling of a vacancy in the office of governor or lieutenant governor."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 12 - SJR 12 proposes a constitutional amendment that would resolve conflicts between the Texas Constitution and federal law relating to the definition, rules, and procedures of reverse mortgages. The amendment would define "reverse mortgage" in part as an extension of credit made against the homestead of a person who is 62 years or older, or whose spouse is 62 years or older. It would expand the list of circumstances under which payment of principal and interest become due and the procedures involved in foreclosure, and would require certain advances to be made according to specific terms in loan documents, including advances by the lender, on behalf of the borrower for payments necessary to protect the lender's interest. Finally, the amendment would require the Texas Supreme Court to promulgate rules of civil procedure expediting court-ordered foreclosures of reverse mortgage liens.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the making of advances under a reverse mortgage and payment of a reverse mortgage."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 62 - HJR 62 proposes a constitutional

amendment that would simplify and clarify the language of the Texas Constitution. The amendment would make no substantive changes, but would eliminate duplicative, expired, out-of-date, and ineffective terms.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to eliminate duplicative, executed, obsolete, archaic, and ineffective provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 4 - HJR 4 proposes a constitutional amendment that would broaden the definition of charitable organizations. The amendment would exempt from ad valorem taxation the property of any organization engaged primarily in public charitable functions, and it would allow such an organization to conduct additional activities to support its charitable functions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt property owned by institutions engaged primarily in public charitable functions from ad valorem taxation."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 26 - SJR 26 proposes an amendment that would remove the restriction prohibiting state employees who receive all or part of their compensation from the state from serving as members of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district unless the state employee receives no salary for such service. The amendment would allow state employees to receive compensation from the governing bodies of which they are members.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing state employees to receive compensation for serving as a member of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 22 - SJR 22 proposes a constitutional amendment that would increase the maximum size of an urban homestead, which is a homestead in a city, town, or village, from one acre to ten acres and require the urban homestead to be composed of either a single lot or several lots that are adjacent to one another. The amendment also would provide that the urban homestead must be used as a home or as both a home and place of business, whereas current law does not require that an urban homestead that is used as a place of business be used also as a home.

Current law further allows a person to secure a home equity loan on their homestead, provided that the loan does not overburden the homestead. That is, the principal amount of the home equity loan, when added to the total of the outstanding principal balances of all other indebtedness secured against the homestead, does not exceed 80 percent of the fair market value of the homestead on the date the extension of credit is made. The

proposed amendment would clarify current law by specifically allowing home equity loans on all or part of urban homesteads of up to ten acres and subject such loans to the same requirement that the refinanced or new loan not overburden the homestead.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment increasing the maximum size of an urban homestead to 10 acres, prescribing permissible uses of urban homesteads, and preventing the overburdening of a homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 16 - HJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that if an employee is delinquent in paying court-ordered spousal maintenance, a portion of that employee's wages may be withheld to pay the spousal maintenance. Current law allows such withholding, or garnishment, only for payment of delinquent court-ordered child support.

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 95 - HJR 95 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the adjutant general, who is appointed by the Governor and who serves as the governing officer of the state military forces, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the adjutant general serves at the pleasure of the governor."

PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 10 - SJR 10 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to create a judicial compensation committee to make recommendations for salaries for the justices and judges of the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Courts of Appeals, and the District Courts. The amendment would mandate that the recommendations become law if neither the Senate nor the House of Representatives rejects them by majority vote.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to create a judicial compensation commission."

PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 74 - HJR 74 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the commissioner of health and human services, who is appointed by the Governor, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the commissioner of health and human services serves at the pleasure of the governor."

PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 69 - HJR 69 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize a county, city, town, or other political subdivision to

spend public funds or extend credit to purchase nonassessable property or casualty insurance from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. Under current law, a political subdivision is generally prohibited from spending public funds or extending credit to become a stockholder in a corporation but is permitted to purchase nonassessable life, health or accident insurance policies from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. This amendment would authorize a political subdivision to also obtain non-assessable property and casualty insurance from such a company.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a political subdivision to purchase nonassessable property and casualty insurance from an authorized mutual insurance company in the same manner that the political subdivision purchases life, health, and accident insurance."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 21 - SJR 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would exempt from ad valorem taxation a leased motor vehicle that is not used by the lessee primarily to produce income. The amendment would provide that the legislature also may limit the ability of a political subdivision to subject such a vehicle to taxation.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation leased motor vehicles not held by the lessee primarily to produce income."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

SJR 16 - SJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to allow the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue and sell general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$400 million in order to finance educational loans to students. The amendment also would authorize the Legislature to limit the amount of interest the bonds can bear and establish procedures for the investment of the bond proceeds. The proposed amendment would specify the method of repaying the bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$400 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 29 - HJR 29 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize the Legislature to require the board of regents of the state university and boards of trustees or managers of the educational, charitable, and penal institutions of the state, whose members serve six year terms, to be composed of an odd number of three or more board members (for example, 5, 7, or 9 members). The proposed amendment would allow approximately one-third of members of boards whose membership is not evenly divisible by three to be elected or appointed every two years. The amendment also would allow the Legislature to set the composition of constitutionally required boards, whose members serve for a term of six years, to a number divisible by three so that exactly one-third of the board members may be elected or appointed every two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that a state board, commission, or other agency shall be governed by a board composed of an odd number of three or more

PROPOSITION NO. 15 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 36 - HJR 36 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow spouses, by an agreement in writing, to convert all or part of their separate property into community property. Separate property is primarily the property owned or claimed by the spouse before marriage and the property acquired by the spouse during the marriage by gift or inheritance. Community property consists of the property, other than separate property, acquired by either spouse during marriage.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting spouses to agree to convert separate property to community property."

PROPOSITION NO. 16 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 71 - HJR 71 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow a county with a population of 50,000 or more, rather than 30,000 or more, to be divided into four to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts. The amendment also would allow a county with a population between 18,000 and 50,000 to have two to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts, rather than the current maximum of five precincts. Furthermore, the amendment would limit Randall County to not less than two and not more than six precincts. Finally, the amendment would set a minimum of four precincts for any county that as of November 2, 1999, is divided into four or more precincts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that certain counties shall be divided into a specific number of precincts."

PROPOSITION NO. 17 ON THE BALLOT

HJR 58 - HJR 58 proposes a constitutional amendment which would require the board of regents of the University of Texas System to manage investments of the permanent university fund (PUF) according to the standards of a prudent investor. Generally, earnings from the PUF are distributed to the available university fund (AUF) and then ultimately distributed to the public university systems of Texas. Under the amendment, the amount distributed to the AUF would consist of distributions, as determined by the University of Texas System board of regents, from the total return on all investment assets of the PUF, instead of consisting only of the dividends, interest, and other income of the PUF minus administrative expenses. The amendment also would provide guidelines for minimum and maximum amounts to be distributed to the AUF, and require that the board of regents manage distributions to the AUF in a manner that will provide the AUF with a stable and predictable stream of annual distributions and maintain the purchasing power of the PUF investments and annual distributions to the AUF.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the investment of the permanent university fund and the distribution from the permanent university fund to the available university fund."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 2 de noviembre de 1999. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llama al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Tx 78711.

PPHM auxiliary to hold luncheon

CANYON — The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum Auxiliary Fall Luncheon is planned for Tuesday, Sept. 14, in the Buffalo Room at the West Texas A&M University Dining Hall. Tickets are \$8 each and may be purchased from the Museum Store between 10 am and 4:30 p.m. Speaker for the luncheon will be Jodi Thomas, national best-selling author of 12 novels and four short story collections. She will present a program on how authors mix fact with imagination in making history come alive.

To order by mail, please send checks to Marie McNutt at the PPHM, WTAMU Box 60967, Canyon, Texas 79016. No telephone reservations will be accepted. Reservation deadline is Friday, Sept. 10.

The Auxiliary is the volunteer organization for the PPHM. Anyone interested in membership and the many volunteer opportunities available at the museum is encouraged to attend the luncheon.



Pirate Pride

Lefors
High



Michael Steele (hanging out the driver's side window) gives the seniors and the football players the ride of their lifetime in "THE BEAST"

Some of the football players try their hand or legs as the case may be at cheerleading. L to R: Michael Steele (he's the one with the nice legs), Patrick Mize, Jennifer Sprouse, Todd Mullen and Jeremy Pierce.



Pirate's Homecoming Comes to an Exciting End!

Pirate Pride assoc. editor
Dee J Preston

Friday the 3rd was the Pirates Homecoming. The Pirates faced the Cougars of Ft. Elliott. Ft. Elliott was the team the Pirates last played a year ago. The Cougars were picked to be 40 point favorites.

It looked as if the prediction would come true. The Cougars jumped to a 34 to 14 point lead at halftime. It seemed that all was lost for the Pirates, but things aren't always as they seem. The Pirates did not play an outstanding first half. The new look Pirates, sporting their new jerseys and pants, received the opening kick off. They had little offense during the first half. Both backs scored a touchdown, Michael Steele "Man of Steele" on a 5 yard run and Caleb "Steamboat" Barnes on a 3 yard run. These were the only points put on the scoreboard by the Pirates in the first half. Feelings began to flow during halftime; the

pirates realized that they were better than they were performing, thus the Pirates came back from half time primed and ready to play.

Twenty points down things weren't looking good, yet the Pirates were determined to improve. After the half the Cougar's impressive spread offense suddenly came to a halt due to the Pirate's persistence. Ft. Elliott was forced to run a tight offense. That didn't work either, Ft. Elliott did not score during the entire third quarter. With the fourth quarter approaching the Pirates had begun to gain the score now 34 to 20.

Kicking off the fourth quarter the Pirates scored again to make the score even closer, now 34 to 26. Ft. Elliott's next series of offense was stopped, forcing them to punt. After returning the punt, Ft. Elliott had an interception and scored. This brought the score to 40 to 26. From there on the fourth quarter

belonged to the Pirates. With 14 addition points added to Lefors and no points added to Ft. Elliott. The final score was 40 to 40.

Over time began, all the Pirates thought over time was going to be sudden death, this was not the case. The first one who doesn't tie the game loses. With Lefors winning the coin toss for overtime, they got the ball on Ft. Elliott's 25-yard line and scored. The extra point was no good. With the overtime rules the cougars had their chance to score and they finally made it on the fourth down. This series of offense made the score 46 to 46. It all came down to the extra point, Ft. Elliott's extra point attempt was good, making the final score 48 to 46.

This was a loss according to the score board for the Pirates, but the Pirates think of it as a win, they won respect from Ft. Elliott and many others. Many have said this was the greatest six-man football game they have ever seen.

The Queen has Landed

staff writer
Amanda Sprouse

Homecoming week went out with a bang, when the 1999 Lefors High homecoming queen was announced, last Friday. Senior, Melody Seely, walked away with the honor of being crowned this year's homecoming queen.

Homecoming week started on Monday when the majority of Lefors students didn't change out of their pjs. But this was okay because Monday was pajama dress up day. It was followed by college shirt Tuesday, wild and wacky Wednesday, twin Thursday, and spirit Friday. Also occurring on Thursday

was the annual homecoming bonfire. The bonfire was a success due mostly to the fact that our very dedicated football

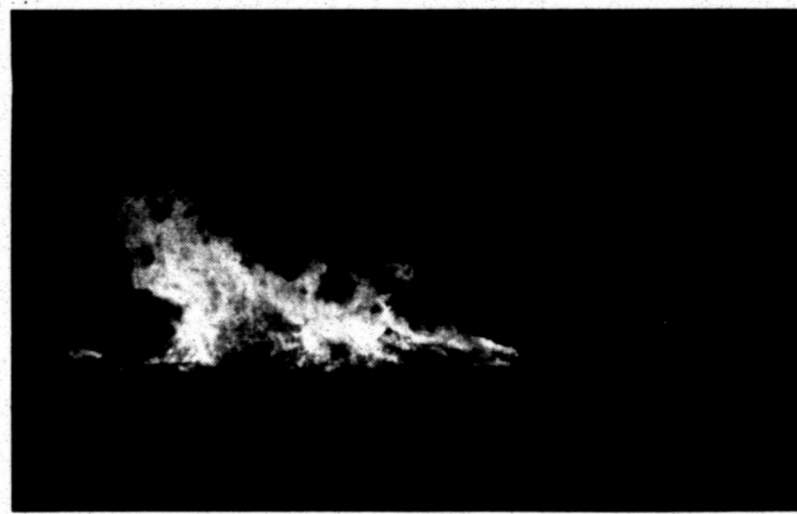
guys spent endless hours hauling wood up to the bonfire site. Friday was the big day, hours of practice and work had gone into making it a success. Whether it is the dedication and heart our two cheerleaders had or all the spirit that had football guys held.

Homecoming wouldn't be the same without a queen. But there were four candidates and only one crown. So when Melody Seely was announced queen, there was nothing but smiles on all of the candidate's faces. They all knew that this was Melody's last year and nobody deserved it more. The freshman candidate was Amanda Daugherty, who was escorted by freshman Josh Jackson. The sophomore candidate was Linda Searcy, who was escorted by sophomore Dee J. Preston. The junior

candidate was Amanda Sprouse, who was escorted by junior Ben Schroeder. The senior candidate and queen were Melody Seely, who was escorted by senior Michael Steele. With the queen crowned, the only other thing left to do was to mutilate the Ft. Elliot Cougars.

There was great school spirit all week long here in Lefors. We had great enthusiasm for our team, for our candidates, and for our cheerleaders. The cheerleaders have a tough job this year because there is only two of them. So they have to work extra hard to get the crowd worked up. But so far they are doing a great job. We also have to give thanks to the people of Lefors who came out and supported us during homecoming week. Long live the Pirates!

Pirate Pride is now accepting letters to the editor. If you would like to submit something to the Pirate Pride newspaper, please contact Rick Pierce at 835-2434 or send it to: Rick Pierce PO Box 480 Lefors, TX 79054 Any comments or suggestions will also be appreciated.



The bonfire continues to consume its prey although dying in the darkness of the night.



The senior class of 2000 poses for their last picture at a High School bonfire.



The 1999 Pirate football team: L to R bottom row; Ray Turpen, Leander Feltner, Buddy Murray, Andrew Johnson, Willie Hathaway, Top L to R; Josh Jackson, Ben Schroeder, Todd Mullen, Caleb Barnes, Dee J Preston, Jeremy Pierce, Coach Ronny Miller, Patrick Mize, Michael Steele and Eric Keiser.

Poets Corner

If you would like to have a poem of your own printed in the Pirate Pride Newspaper please contact Jeremy Pierce or Dee J Preston.

Our State

Jeremy Pierce

Distress is only to make one stronger
For this reason, it will last much longer

Overlooked and overpowered are the corner stones
The one who keep silent their eternal morn

The hushed masses have fire that burns deep
The products of their wickedness their souls shall reap

Through God they built a nation, through God they'll see it fall

One truth in this is found
When God is forgotten, all will crumble down

Pride of Pampa Band



(Special photo)

Members of Pride of Pampa Band Color Guard are selling tickets for a chance to win Ty "Exclusive" Beanie Babies. Tickets are \$1 each and may be purchased from any Color Guard member or by calling the band hall at 669-4800, ext. 132. Tickets will also be available at home football games. The Beanie Babies are being donated by Brenda Noles of Julie's Hallmark. The drawing will be held Oct. 15. Above are: Terry Hair, Tiffany Boyd and April Anderson.

Extension Service to host child care conference at Perryton

PERRYTON — An area-wide child care conference and training session will be offered from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Sept. 25 at the Exposition Center in Perryton. This education event, "Child Care Challenges," will provide training for workers in day care settings, mothers and parents. It is being sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Hemphill, Ochiltree, Gray, Hansford and Lipscomb Counties and Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service in Beaver Co. In addition to providing training for all interested individuals, certificates of training worth 4.0 credit hours will be provided to those who need annual in-service training to maintain current certification.

Registration will be at 9 a.m. The keynote address "Discipline that Does not Hurt!" will be delivered at 9:30 a.m. by Dr. Linda Ladd. Ladd is associate professor and Family Life specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. This work session will help providers tie a discipline strategy to a particular child. Two sessions will be held in the afternoon —

"Creative Outdoor Play" and "Fun Foods for Kids."

The first session will be conducted by Mary Raven, Extension educator, Family and Consumer Science, Beaver Co., and Joanna Blackwell, former director of Kids Corner Daycare, Goodwill, Okla., and will explore hands-on activities for use in outdoor play.

The second session will provide ways to teach nutrition and food preparation in pre-school and after-school programs and will be conducted by Joan Gray, Gray Co. Extension agent, Angie Huff, Hemphill Co. Extension agent, and Cynthia Shattles, Ochiltree Co. Extension agent. Each session will provide hand-outs for participants to take home.

Pre-registration is encouraged. A \$5 registration fee is due Sept. 17 to: Gwen Franks, County Extension Agent, Family and Consumer Sciences, P.O. Box 119, Lipscomb, TX 79056.

For more information, call Joan Gray at (806) 669-8033.

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Parents Must Lay Down Law On Disciplining Their Children

DEAR ABBY: I have a dear friend I look up to like an older sister. We enjoy visiting with her and her family, as well as vacationing with them. We sometimes camp out together, too.

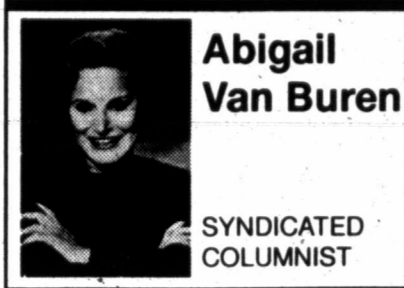
The problem: She and her husband discipline our children right in front of us! I refuse to see our children humiliated, and when I try to defend them, it starts an argument among all of us. Now our children hesitate to do anything around them for fear of being disciplined.

Abby, my husband and I would never dream of disciplining another's child. We believe that parents should discipline their own children. How do we resolve this problem without alienating our friends? We don't want to sacrifice the friendship.

MOTHER ON THE DEFENSIVE

DEAR MOTHER: Make it plain to your friends that should your children need discipline, you and your husband will administer it. If that doesn't solve the problem, then the only alternative is to curtail your visits with these friends. It's unfortunate, but your children's welfare must take first priority.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Nick," can't understand why our 10-year-old son, "Tony," is "hard of hearing" when he talks to him. Maybe it's because Nick talks so



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

loud that our son tunes him out.

I suggested that Nick ask Tony why he doesn't listen to him, but Nick gets mad at me and insists that he must talk loud to get through to Tony.

Abby, our son is not hard of hearing, and I think Tony doesn't follow instructions because of the way his father talks to him. I also think the one who really isn't "listening" is my husband.

TONY'S MOM

DEAR TONY'S MOM: There's a power struggle going on, and your husband thinks he can win it by shouting. Family counseling could help him gain some insight and communicate more effectively with Tony. If your husband refuses, I recommend earplugs for you until Tony leaves for college.

DEAR ABBY: You missed the boat in your response to "Furious in Spanish Port, Ala.," whose husband

expected her to entertain his longestranged father while he attended a social event.

You said, "It is important to your husband, so try to be gracious."

Abby, if Dad were so important to "Furious" hubby, wouldn't you think hubby would decline the social event and tend to Dad himself? Even an important business-related social event can be declined or cut short due to a visit from a father one has only seen three times in the past 45 years.

ALISON IN PIEDMONT, CALIF.

DEAR ALISON: I was not prepared for the amount of criticism I received for my response to "Furious," so I will try to explain it. Many couples have emotional "issues" regarding their parents because of the way they were (or weren't) raised, and if possible it's better to resolve them while the parents are still living. Her husband asked her to suspend her anger and judgmental attitude and help him out. As a loving wife and helpmate, if it's possible for her to do so, I think she should.

I am not saying the long-absent father should be allowed to move in or take liberties. I'm saying only that she should be as charming as possible and give the man a fair hearing until her husband arrives.

are clearly responsive, and they admire your persistence. Make a call to an old friend. Don't give up on a prized desire. Screen calls. Be gentle with others. Moods swing, but eventually others find their rose-colored glasses. Tonight: A low-key night at home. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Finances need strong handling as frivolity takes over. Attend to work. If you are unhappy, consider making that long-overdue change. You feel much clearer by the end of the day. Initiate conversations. Talk with a trusted advisor. Tonight: Shoot the breeze with a friend. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** You often avoid taking risks; today is no exception. Listen to an older advisor who presents a different point of view. Stay clear of office gossip. Make it OK to change directions — and your mind as well. Loosen up about finances. Buy that special card or gift. Tonight: Kicking up your heels. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Use your instincts to direct joint dealings in money or love. You lighten up later as Venus, your ruler, goes direct. What has been a troublesome issue now becomes workable. You surge with energy and vitality. Tonight: Share your new outlook with others! SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Be precise. Zero in on what you want. Others work with you, even if you have to coax them. Don't take it personally; understand that another isn't a risk-taker, and he tends toward negativity. Allow more joy into your life. Others loosen up as well. Tonight: Take time for you. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Take greater responsibility. Be careful how much you put on your plate. You have your hands full. Make time for exercise or a walk. Remember, a sound mind needs a sound body. A friend pitches in; complications appear to lessen. Tonight: TGIF with friends. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Take an overview, especially with a relationship or child. Make calls. Others look to you for advice. Bring co-workers together for a fun event or a business get-together. Building camaraderie makes work more palatable. Consider an investment carefully. Tonight: A force to be dealt with. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Explain what has been ailing you and what you need from a partner. You gain clarity because of this conversation. Others reveal more of themselves. Look at the big picture. Review recent developments. Make plans for a getaway, seminar or change from the normal pace. Tonight: Be spontaneous. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Others clearly can be uptight, but listen to their impressions. Moods lighten as the day progresses. What has been a testy partnership matter will be cleared up soon. Follow your intuition with a loved one. Tonight: Up close and personal.

BORN TODAY
Singer Jose Feliciano (1945), actor Colin Firth (1960), actress Amy Irving (1953)

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Horoscope

FRIDAY, SEPT. 10, 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)

***** Your patience clearly pays off. You will finally see a change in attitude. Reach out, but give others time to respond. A close tie changes his position of the last few weeks. Let creativity and happiness merge. Make a must meeting. Tonight: Leave work early. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Sometimes you're overly cautious. Go with the flow, and let others do the same. You'll feel better as the day progresses. Patience pays off. You see a clearing where before you thought there was none. A relationship is important. Another finally agrees. Tonight: Do something you have always wanted to do. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Avoid viewing issues negatively. You could be brooding without realizing it. Take action later in the day to clear out problems, especially with a child or loved one. Financial matters finally move forward. Allow your imagination to venture into new horizons. Tonight: Making a splash wherever you are! CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Stay on a steady track. Others

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 44 Packs down

1 Two-masted boats

6 Diver's gear

11 Prufrock's creator

12 Printer part

13 Detect

14 Wise saying

15 Condescends

17 Capp and Capone

19 Pester

20 Craze

23 Knots

25 Cairo's river

26 Sooty seabird

28 Monster

29 Belong naturally

30 — de plume

31 Blasting stuff

32 Ave. crossers

33 Rue

35 Wash-room sight

38 Wed in secret

41 Highway ramps

42 Broadcast

43 Native home

DOWN

1 Toady's response

2 Headly brew

3 Tempest

4 Misplace

5 "Ms."

6 Loose talk

7 Bounders

8 Patriotic monogram

9 Plead

10 Live

16 Struggling to

17 Live

24 Fury

25 Ultimate

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31 Past, for one

33 Ceremony

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35 Risk

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Notebook

CYCLING

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Lance Armstrong celebrated another poignant victory Wednesday, successfully completing his first medical check-up since winning the Tour de France.

The survivor of testicular cancer is in excellent health, according to his doctor, who performed a routine exam on the elite cyclist at Oregon Health Sciences University. As part of his recovery, Armstrong must undergo two medical exams a year for five years.

"We're totally pleased with his medical situation," Dr. Craig Nichols said. "Chances of this recurring are infinitesimally small."

Armstrong, 27, became an inspirational figure for cancer patients around the world after winning cycling's most prestigious race in July — just two years after beating his illness. He was found to be cancer-free in 1997 after four rounds of chemotherapy and two operations — one for brain lesions and one to remove a testicle.

TENNIS

NEW YORK (AP) — Seventh-seeded Serena Williams beat fourth-seeded Monica Seles for the third time in three matches, serving 15 aces to reach the semi-finals of the U.S. Open with a 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 victory.

Williams will face defending champion and No. 2 seed Lindsay Davenport, who survived two match points against her, then came back from the rain break to beat No. 5 Mary Pierce 6-2, 3-6, 7-5.

In the men's draw, No. 3 Yevgeny Kafelnikov overcame an Open era-record 48 aces by Richard Krajicek, beating the No. 12 seed 7-6 (7-0), 7-6 (7-3), 3-6, 1-6, 7-5 (7-5). Kafelnikov will play No. 2 Andre Agassi, who beat qualifier Nicolas Escude 7-6 (7-3).

BASKETBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Pardon the Houston Comets if all this is becoming a bit predictable.

Here's the formula, already used three times: They dominate the regular season, win a championship in a do-or-die game, then throw a big party for their fans in early September.

"We'll be back for No. 4," Houston city controller Sylvia Garcia said confidently as her convertible navigated an eight-block parade route filled with marching bands, floats and dignitaries.

Thousands of fans braved a sweltering day — even by Houston standards — to revel in the Comets' third championship in as many WNBA seasons. They beat the New York Liberty 59-47 Sunday in the deciding game of a best-of-3 championship series.

The real draw for fans, who lined two and three deep along Smith Street, was the Comets players. They joined coaches, team owner Les Alexander, Mayor Lee Brown and others atop fire engines that doubled as giant parade floats.

Cochair Van Chancellor brought one of his favorite pregame customs to the celebration, throwing pieces of candy to the throng from his perch above a ladder truck.

"I can't even describe what this feels like," Chancellor said after the parade. "We have come so far."

A City Hall rally followed the procession. As she has for three seasons as the Comets' star player, Cynthia Cooper took center stage at Hermann Square.

Before launching into a rap, Cooper preached the gospel of a budding dynasty.

"Somebody said there were too many trials, too many tribulations, too much adversity," Cooper said. "Somebody said the influx of new players (from the defunct ABL) was too strong and the Comets could not handle it. But who are the champions?"

Pampa seeks to snap loss streak against AHS

PAMPA — Both Pampa and Amarillo High came away with impressive victories in the 1999 season openers last week. Both teams displayed plenty of talent on both offense and defense, which should make for quite a matchup when these two traditional rivals meet at 7:30 Friday night in Harvester Stadium.

It will be a tough test for Pampa, which hasn't beaten the Sandies since 1993.

AHS unleashed a lot of weapons in routing Clovis, N.M. 31-0.

"We recognize we're going to be outmanned, if not in athletic ability than in numbers. When their players leave the field, we're still out there,"

said Pampa head coach Dennis Cavalier. "They have a platoon system and most of our guys are playing two positions. Fatigue is a major concern for us. We've been working a lot on conditioning this week."

Offensively, the Sandies chalked up 345 yards in total offense in overwhelming Clovis. Backs Garrett Glass (205-pound senior), Blake Barnes (172-pound junior) and Brad Hanson (191-pound senior) combined for 260 yards on the ground for the Sandies.

"Glass is strong, fast and powerful," Cavalier added. "Their tight end, (Cole) Campbell appears to be their go-to target. He not only can catch the ball, but he's a good

blocker." Senior quarterback Chris Neilson, making his first career start, threw for 62 yards and a touchdown.

Zach Sasser booted a 52-yard field goal and kicked four extra points.

Pampa can counter with a strong ground game of its own. Harvester backs Thomas Long (190-pound senior), Terrance Lemons (200-pound junior) and Tristan Perry (145-pound junior) put together 250 yards in rushing as Pampa downed Lubbock Estacado 21-7.

Quarterback Kaleb Snelgroves (160-pound senior) provided strong senior leadership in directing the team. He completed 5 of 17 pass attempts for 68 yards.

Pampa's blocking up front — paced by center Jeff Warren (230-pound junior), guard Tyson Curtis (210-pound senior) and tackle Cody Shepard (250-pound senior) — opened up some big holes all night long.

The Sandies' defense, led by linebacker Casey Clements (189-pound senior) and lineman Shane Sillivent (215-pound senior), limited Clovis to only 93 yards of total offense.

Clements had a team-high 10 tackles and Sillivent added 9 tackles, including three for losses of 17 yards.

Pampa's defense rose to the occasion against the Matadors, which boasted a quick backfield.

Led by cornerback J.J. Roark (160-pound senior) and linebacker Nathan Arnn (160-pound senior), the Harvesters limited Estacado to 222 total yards, including 192 on the ground. Roark had two pass interceptions and Arnn had a team-leading 12 tackles.

"Basically, we're going to go out tomorrow night and try to have the same style of play we had against Estacado. We have to move the chains and keep the ball out of their hands as much as possible. Hopefully, we can keep from having any turnovers," Cavalier said.

Pampa will be missing starting flanker Aaron Cummings, who is sidelined with an ankle injury.

Pro football tough sell in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (AP) — On the lawns outside Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, the game of choice is not football but futbol — soccer.

And that's just one obstacle in bringing an NFL expansion team to Los Angeles, where the entertainment options are nearly as diverse as the city.

There are beaches, mountains and theme parks, not to mention a professional soccer team and two popular college football teams to compete with the NFL for money and attention.

"People who want recreation in LA don't want for options," said Allen Sanderson, a University of Chicago economist who follows the sports business. "If people won't have an NFL team, so what? It's different than, say, Green Bay."

Negotiations to bring a team to the Coliseum hit a stumbling block last month when the city refused to kick in \$150 million to build a garage the NFL wants next to the stadium.

The City Council reiterated its position Tuesday by passing a resolution against using any existing tax money. However, the council left a loophole that could allow the city to finance the garage with future revenues that would be generated by NFL games.

The NFL's expansion committee was scheduled to discuss the Coliseum bid when it meets in Washington on Thursday.

Even with the loophole in the council's latest vote, the use of tax revenue will be a tough sell, said David Carter of the Sports Business Group consulting firm. "No matter how much the NFL tells us we need a team, we are standing here saying we would like that, but not at all cost. I don't think the NFL is accustomed to that kind of response," he said.

The panel is not expected to make a recommendation on which city should get the team. The NFL has given Los Angeles promoters until Sept. 15 to come up with an acceptable plan.

If Los Angeles fails to meet the Sept. 15 deadline, the NFL says it will take another look at Houston, the LA's principal rival.

"We've been focusing on LA," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said. "We created the window until Sept. 15 through which we're trying to see if we can get a stadium project in place that would work. If not, then we would look towards Houston."

The stadium plan is backed by billionaire Eli Broad and former Hollywood super agent Michael Ovitz. The NFL also is looking at several other plans that would put a team in the Los Angeles area.

Trophy winner



Pampa High golf coach Frank McCullough (left) visits with former Pampa Country Club pro Hart Warren during trophy-presentation ceremonies following the Top O' Texas Invitational. McCullough placed second in the President's Flight.

Improved Dallas seeks 4th title of the 1990s

IRVING, Texas (AP) — By the end of last season, the Dallas Cowboys were an aging team with a new offense that wasn't working and a defense that was breaking down.

Now, following the best offseason by the front office since Jimmy Johnson was calling the shots, the Cowboys believe their leaks have been fixed. There's talk of closing the 1990s with their fourth Super Bowl title this decade.

"I like our chances," running back Emmitt Smith said. "I feel good about myself personally and I feel good about the guys I'm surrounded by."

Dallas went 10-6 last year, its first under coach Chan Gailey, and won the NFC East, only to lose in the playoffs to Arizona, one of the division rivals the Cowboys had beaten twice.

That humiliating defeat forced Dallas into the busiest offseason since Jerry Jones bought the team in 1989.

Through free agency, Jones added receiver Raghob Ismail and center Mark Stepnoski to plug Dallas' two biggest holes on offense.

Dallas picked up five rookies who've become key reserves. At the beginning of training camp, Jones took a gamble on Alonzo Spellman after a year away from the NFL and, so far, that move also is working out.

Spellman willingly moved to defensive tackle from end, and the mental illness that led Chicago to give up on him appears under control.

"We've got the right mix: veteran players who have played at a high level and rookies who've never won a ring and are trying to go to the Super Bowl," Jones said. "I like that."

Before they plan any parades in Dallas, the Cowboys must address some serious questions about their defense, topics ranging from Deion Sanders' bad toe to Kevin Smith's bad back, from Quentin Coryatt's inability to stay healthy to Leon Lett's inability to stay clean.

Sanders' surgically repaired left big toe could be ready for the season opener Sunday against Washington or eight days later against Atlanta. At worst, he'll be back for the third game Oct. 3.

That's the earliest Smith will return from a disc problem in his lower back. It also may be a best-case scenario for Coryatt, who missed most of training camp with a strained Achilles' tendon. Injuries, which slowed him in Indianapolis, have made the line-

backer the only free agent signer who hasn't panned out yet.

Lett is suspended indefinitely for his fifth violation of the league's substance abuse policy. The Cowboys hope to learn soon how many games NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue will suspend Lett for.

With those four guys, Dallas would be a lot more likely to improve a defense that was 18th in the NFL last year, the team's worst showing since going 1-15 in 1989. Only five teams had fewer sacks than the Cowboys' 34. Improving without those guys will be tough.

Whatever Dallas does on defense, it'll happen fast. The team is once again emphasizing speed.

Draft picks Ebenezer Ekuban and Peppi Zellner were the two fastest defensive ends at the scouting combine. Now they're the Cowboys' two backups. Speedy Randall Godfrey has moved to middle linebacker from the strong side to give him more room to roam.

Dallas also is using another trick from its early '90s teams, an active defensive line rotation. Defensive coordinator Dave Campo has nine guys at his disposal, ensuring a fresh body on almost every play.

"People may look at the group and say, 'Who is this guy?'" Campo said. "But nobody knew about the 1992 unit either."

When Gailey was hired last year, his primary task was to put some spunk into an offense that had become boring and ineffective. Strangely, his complicated schemes worked best at the start of the season.

Injuries in November to tight end David LaFleur and reliable receiver Ernie Mills were partly to blame, but not enough to explain a drop from 27 points per game over the first 12 to 14 per game over the last four, then just seven in the playoff loss.

Adding Ismail is a great start. His speed will keep defenses from double-covering Michael Irvin and should help open more running room for Smith, the NFL's active career rushing leader.

The passing and running games will be helped by the return of Stepnoski, who was part of the first two Super Bowl champions of the Jones era.

"Step's the biggest acquisition of all, bar none," Irvin said. "That's not to say anything bad about Rocket or Quinn or Alonzo or any of those guys, but he solidifies the middle of the offensive line."

Tech's Williams out with sprained ankle

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Texas Tech running back Ricky Williams, who was fourth in the nation in rushing last season, will miss Saturday night's game against University of Louisiana-Lafayette with a sprained left knee.

Williams was injured Monday night in the second quarter of a season-opening loss to Arizona State. He played until the third quarter, then left with a career-low 33 yards on 13 carries. He also scored a touchdown.

An MRI showed that Williams sprained the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee. He's wearing a leg wrap and walking with crutches until being further evaluated.

Williams has played every game at Tech the last two seasons. He ran for 1,582 yards and 13 touchdowns last season.

Williams bandaged his left after hurting it the first time, then returned until he felt it give out, forcing him to be helped off the field.

Freshman Shaud Williams ran for 40 yards on five carries in place of Ricky Williams and will compete for the job as replacement starter along with juniors James Easterling and Rickey Hunter.

"Those kids will step up," running backs coach Jack Tayrien said. "I've got a lot of confidence in them, and we'll see how they do in practice this week. We might not decide who will start until right prior to the game."

The University of Louisiana-Lafayette was formerly known as Southwestern University.

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Sun. thru Thurs. 7:15
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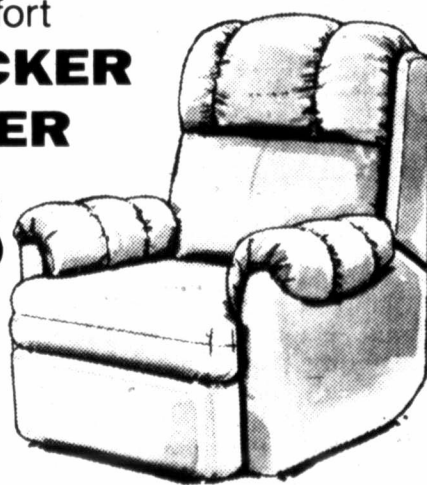
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Indians lose, but clinch fifth consecutive American League Central championship

By The Associated Press

Somewhere on a flight from Texas to Chicago, the Cleveland Indians clinched their fifth straight AL Central title.

Hours after the Indians left the Ballpark in Arlington following a 3-0 loss to Texas, they clinched the division when second-place Chicago was eliminated with a 6-5, 10-inning loss at the Anaheim Angels.

"I guess you could say that is a strange scenario to be in second place and to be eliminated at this time," White Sox manager Jerry Manuel said of the White Sox, 23 1/2 games behind the Indians.

"They're playing good baseball, and they're 22 games better than a lot of teams," Manuel said. "I guess you have to put your stamp on them after the playoffs and the World Series. That's a real test of how good a team is — one that endures the playoffs and the World Series."

Cleveland could have clinched on the field, but John Burkett (7-7), Tim Lincecum and John Wetteland combined to scatter eight hits.

"When I was warming up and they announced the battery, I happened to hear the boos. It was a nice feeling to be able to change that around when I went into the dugout at the end," said Burkett, who has rebounded from a horrible first half to win three straight and four of five.

AL West-leading Texas, which got RBI singles from Royce Clayton and Luis Alicea, improved to 7-3 against Cleveland this season.

"They can beat us all year long," Cleveland's Richie Sexson said. "But if they don't beat us in the playoffs, it doesn't matter."

In other AL games, it was Oakland 4, Boston 2; Seattle 4, Toronto 3; New York 9, Kansas City 5; Baltimore 10, Minnesota 0; and Detroit 5, Tampa Bay 1.

Wetteland pitched the ninth for his major league-leading 41st save for the Rangers, including four in three days. Chris Haney (0-2) gave up three runs — two earned —

and five hits in 4 1-3 innings. Angels 6, White Sox 5

Jeff Huson doubled home the game-winning run off Bill Simas (5-3) with two outs in the 10th at Anaheim after the Angels overcame a 4-0 deficit.

Mo Vaughn's two-run homer off Jesus Pena tied it at 5 in the seventh.

Troy Percival (4-4) pitched a scoreless 10th for the victory. Athletics 6, Red Sox 2

Kevin Appier (14-12) allowed two runs and four hits in six innings, and Oakland benefited from three errors leading to four unearned runs in the final meeting between the wild-card rivals.

Olmedo Saenz homered, John Jaha hit a two-run double and Matt Stairs had a go-ahead RBI single for Oakland, which closed within three games of visiting Boston in the wild-card race with 22 remaining.

Pat Rapp (6-6), losing a start for the first time since June 17, allowed six runs — two earned — and seven hits in 5 1-3 innings. Boston had won four straight.

Mariners 4, Blue Jays 3

Tom Lampkin hit a two-run homer off Billy Koch in the ninth after Carlos Delgado's second homer of the game, his 42nd of the season, put Toronto ahead against Jose Mesa (2-5) in the top of the inning.

Ken Griffey Jr.'s AL-leading 44th homer, a two-run shot, gave the Mariners a 2-1 lead in the eighth, making him 4-for-12 with three homers against left-hander Graeme Lloyd.

The Blue Jays, who went ahead on Delgado's seventh-inning homer, remained 5 1/2 games back in the wild-card race.

Yankees 9, Royals 5

Luis Sojo hit a three-run double and Darryl Strawberry scored three runs. Mariano Rivera got the final five outs to become the first Yankees pitcher with two 40-save seasons.

Shane Spencer hit a two-run double for visiting New York, which had lost three straight to Kansas City. The Royals, who outhit New York 15-11, won the season series 5-4 after going 0-10 against New York last year.

Jeremy Giambi who went 4-

for-5 for the first four-hit game of his career.

Orlando Hernandez (16-7) allowed all five runs and 12 hits in seven innings. Glendon Rusch (0-1) lost.

Orioles 10, Twins 0

Brady Anderson homered twice off LaTroy Hawkins (9-12) at the Metrodome, including the 36th leadoff shot of his career, and drove in four runs as Baltimore shut out Minnesota for the second straight night.

Jason Johnson (6-7), Gabe Molina and B.J. Ryan combined on a six-hitter, getting defensive help from four double plays. Minnesota has nine hits in its last two games.

Tigers 5, Devil Rays 1

Dave Mlicki (12-10) won his seventh straight start, allowing one run and six hits in eight-plus innings, and Deivi Cruz had three RBIs as visiting Detroit won its third straight. Todd Jones finished with one-hit relief for his 25th save.

Bobby Witt (7-12) gave up four runs and seven hits in seven-plus innings, dropping to 1-6 in his last eight starts. Tampa Bay has lost three straight.

Major League Standings

American League					National League				
East Division					West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB		
New York	85	54	.612	—	Los Angeles	80	54	.597	
Boston	79	61	.564	6 1/2	San Francisco	76	64	.543	
Toronto	74	67	.525	12	St. Louis	67	74	.475	
Baltimore	63	76	.453	22	Chicago	60	78	.435	
Tampa Bay	61	78	.438	24	Colorado	56	83	.403	
Central Division					East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB		
x-Cleveland	86	53	.619	—	Atlanta	89	52	.631	
Chicago	83	77	.518	23 1/2	New York	85	55	.607	
Minnesota	58	80	.420	27 1/2	Philadelphia	68	71	.489	
Detroit	57	81	.413	28 1/2	Montreal	58	81	.417	
Kansas City	54	85	.388	32	Florida	57	82	.410	
West Division					Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB		
Texas	85	56	.603	—	Houston	85	56	.603	
Oakland	78	64	.543	8 1/2	Cincinnati	81	58	.583	
Anaheim	70	69	.504	14	Pittsburgh	69	71	.493	
Kansas City	54	85	.388	32	St. Louis	67	74	.475	
Friday's Games					Saturday's Games				
Seattle (P. Abbott 5-2) at Baltimore (Linton 1-2), 7:05 p.m.					Chicago 2, Cincinnati 1, 1st game				
Oakland (Hudson 9-1) at Tampa Bay (Alvarez 9-6), 7:05 p.m.					Cincinnati 10, Chicago 3, 2nd game				
Toronto (Hentgen 10-10) at Detroit (Moehler 9-14), 7:05 p.m.					San Francisco 7, New York 4				
Boston (P. Martinez 20-4) at New York (Pettitte 12-10), 7:35 p.m.					Florida 2, Los Angeles 1				
Cleveland (Colan 15-5) at Chicago (K. Wells 2-0), 8:05 p.m.					Arizona 11, Milwaukee 9				
Anaheim (Finley 8-11) at Minnesota (Radke 12-12), 8:05 p.m.					Wednesday's Games				
Texas (Lotaiza 7-3) at Kansas City (Stein 0-1), 8:05 p.m.					Colorado 5, Montreal 1				
Friday's Games					San Diego 7, Pittsburgh 4, 10 innings				
Houston (Reynolds 14-11) at Philadelphia (Byrd 14-8), 1:05 p.m.					New York 7, San Francisco 5				
Arizona (Reynolds 10-3) at Milwaukee (Karl 8-11), 2:05 p.m.					Cincinnati 6, Chicago 4				
Cincinnati (Hamisch 14-8) at Chicago (Farnsworth 3-7), 2:20 p.m.					Florida 5, Los Angeles 4, 13 innings				
Montreal (Vazquez 7-6) at San Diego (Caryle 0-1), 5:05 p.m.					Houston 10, Philadelphia 2				
New York (Hershiser 12-10) at Los Angeles (K. Brown 16-6), 10:10 p.m.					Atlanta 5, St. Louis 4				
Only games scheduled					Arizona 9, Milwaukee 1				
Saturday's Games					Thursday's Games				
Houston (Reynolds 14-11) at Philadelphia (Byrd 14-8), 1:05 p.m.					Detroit (Nitzkowski 2-4) at Tampa Bay (Arrojo 4-10), 7:05 p.m.				
Arizona (Reynolds 10-3) at Milwaukee (Karl 8-11), 2:05 p.m.					Pittsburgh 3, San Diego 1				
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Diamondbacks' Finley hits three homers against Brewers

By The Associated Press

Three pitchers, three homers: Nobody could keep Steve Finley in the ballpark.

Finley became the first Arizona player to hit three homers in a game as the Diamondbacks routed the Brewers 9-1 Wednesday night in Milwaukee.

Finley hit a two-run homer in the sixth inning off Hideo Nomo, a three-run drive in the seventh off Mike Myers and a solo shot in the ninth off David Weathers. He has 29 homers this season.

"Tonight was the Finley show," Brewers manager Jim Lefebvre said. "Three different guys on three different pitch-

es."

It was the third three-homer game of Finley's career and the 15th three-homer game in the majors this season, matching the record set in 1987 and tied in 1996.

"I'm not trying to hit the ball out of the ballpark," Finley said. "I'm just trying to get a good pitch and put a good swing on it, and they're going in the gaps and going out of the park. I'm not going to complain about that."

Finley's slugging helped Arizona increase its lead in the NL West to 7 1/2 games over San Francisco, which lost 7-5 to the New York Mets.

His six RBIs tied his career high and Arizona's team

record. He has eight hits in his last four games — four homers, a triple and three doubles.

In other NL games, it was Colorado 5, Montreal 1; San Diego 7, Pittsburgh 4 in 10 innings; Cincinnati 6, Chicago 4; Florida 5, Los Angeles 4 in 13 innings; Houston 10, Philadelphia 2; and Atlanta 5, St. Louis 4.

Reds 6, Cubs 4

Greg Vaughn hit his fourth homer in two games as Cincinnati beat Chicago at Wrigley Field.

Vaughn, who hit three homers in the second game of a doubleheader Tuesday, had a two-run shot in the fifth off Andrew Lorraine (1-4). It was Vaughn's 35th homer of the season and Cincinnati's 22nd in six games.

Sammy Sosa was 1-for-4 with a single, leaving him with 58 homers with 23 games remaining.

Cincinnati remained three games behind first-place Houston in the NL Central and 3 1/2 games back of New York in the wild-card race.

Astros 10, Phillies 2

Jeff Bagwell's 40th homer capped a nine-run sixth inning, Houston's biggest since 1995, as the Astros won their ninth straight.

Mike Hampton (19-3) won his 10th consecutive decision, tying teammate Jose Lima for the NL lead in wins. Hampton allowed five hits in seven shutout innings at Veterans Stadium.

Mets 7, Giants 5

Mike Piazza hit a three-run homer and Octavio Dotel (7-1) won his seventh consecutive decision, allowing one run and four hits in seven innings at Shea Stadium.

Armando Benitez got four outs for his 18th save as New York won for the 18th time in 27 games. The Mets remained 3 1/2 games behind first-place Atlanta in the NL East.

Braves 5, Cardinals 4

Mark McGwire was held to a harmless single on the anniversary of his record-breaking 62nd homer as Atlanta completed a three-game sweep at Turner Field.

Exactly one year after breaking Roger Maris' record, McGwire went 1-for-4, leaving him with 54 homers with 21 games left.

Kevin Millwood (16-7) allowed two runs and seven hits in six innings. Chipper Jones hit his 39th homer, his fourth in four games, as the Braves won for the 16th time in 19 games.

Rockies 5, Expos 1

Todd Helton homered twice to reach 30 for the first time in his career, and Larry Walker hit his 35th home run.

Walker went 2-for-3 at Montreal to raise his league-leading batting average to .368. Jamey Wright (2-2) allowed one run and four hits in seven innings. Dan Smith (4-8) gave up all three homers.

Wiki Gonzalez's two-run single in the 10th capped San Diego's third comeback of the game.

San Diego scored its final five runs following Pittsburgh errors. The Padres, whose 26-46 road record is the worst in the NL, finished 4-2 on their first winning road trip of the season.

Marlins 5, Dodgers 4

Mark Kotsay singled home the winning run with one out in the 13th inning, ending a marathon game in Miami that was delayed three times by rain.

The delays totaled 3 hours and 14 minutes. The crowd of 9,615 dwindled to about 200 by the finish, 7 1/2 hours after the scheduled 4:05 p.m. starting time.

Marlins second baseman Luis Castillo dislocated his left shoulder in the ninth inning diving for a grounder, and he'll be sidelined indefinitely.

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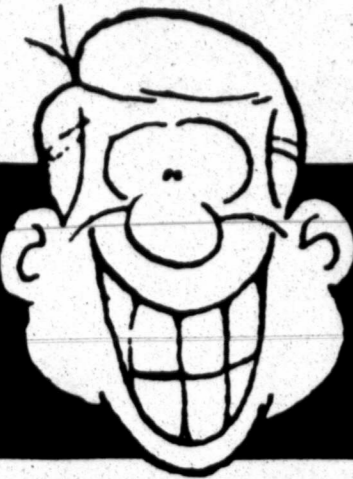
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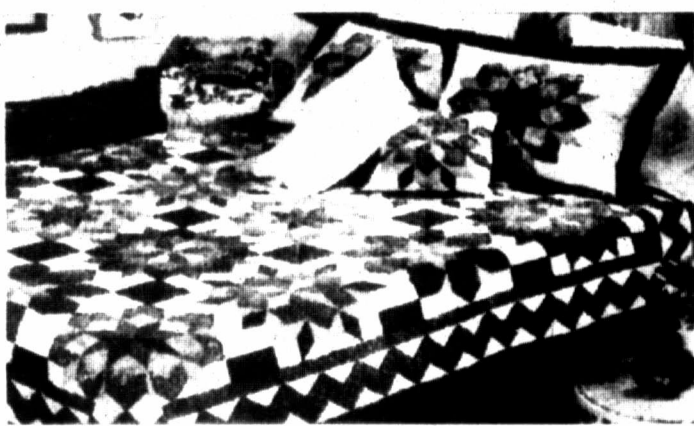
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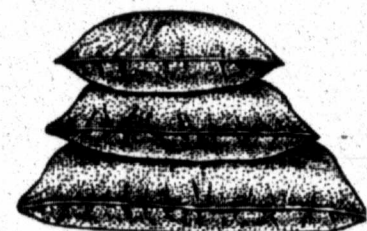
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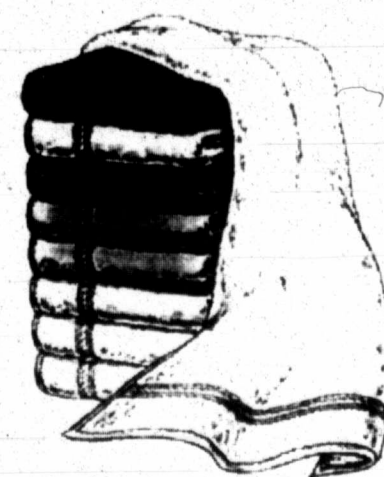


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