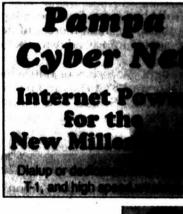


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Associate Publisher

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Pampa's chances of getting the grant," Hunt said.

commissioners the fact few such grants have ever been approved in the panhandle region gives Pampa a leg up on the odds.

a tax-free foundation, only a Housing Committee, Hunt's group agreed to file the application and handle the funds if the grant gets approved.

Hunt, she said, have been Pampa Housing Committee

Monday, May 15, has been set seriously injured. to try Justin Davis Sober on

Sober trial reset for May

Soaking up the warm spring weather, Nathan White, five-year-old son of

Randy and Shelley White, charges across his front yard, enjoying the clear

blue sky, green grass and bright sunshine. Temperatures today are expected

to reach into the mid-70s. Clear skies and warm temperatures are in the fore-

The original trial date of Feb. charges of intoxication 28 was set following a change of manslaughter, according to venue hearing on Jan. 25, then was changed to April 17. Judge May 15 is the third date set by, Emmert granted a motion for District Judge Steven Emmert continuance filed by Sober's for the trial of Sober. 23. on attorney Mike Warner on the eve ness for the defense, forensic pathologist Dr. Linda Norton of Dallas, said she could not be ready in time. At the hearing on April 17, Judge Emmert set the

date tentatively for May 8 or May 15.

(Pampa News photo by Dave Bowser)

District Attorney John Mann confirmed today that the trial is scheduled to begin on Monday, May 15, in 31st District Court" here.

"I'm ready to go to trial, even

Hail, wind hits area

By KATE B. DICKSON Associate Publisher

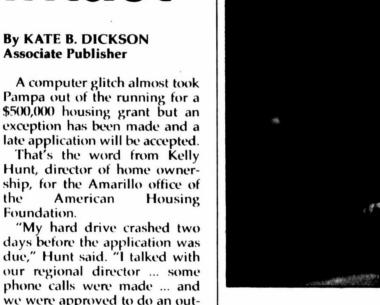
Clean-up is under way today in the wake of last night's storm that was marked by hail and damaging winds, some clocked in the 60-70 mph range on gauges at the KGRO/KOMX radio station at 1701 N. Banks.

Most of the damage seemed to have occurred east of Pampa where a warehouse owned by Parsley Roofing and the home of Ronnie Parsley received roof damage. Also struck was Schwan's where employees where working when the storm hit around 11 p.m.

Pampa's weatherman, Darrell Sehorn, said the storm dropped into the area from the Oklahoma Panhandle and brought hail as large as golf balls about five miles east of Lefors. In Pampa, the hail measured mostly in the pea-to-marble-size range.

The bay doors were open at Schwan's when the storm struck, said Chuck Meyer, sales manager at the food company,

"We have some car and truck windows broken and there was interior wall damage in the building," Meyer said. "We have some ceiling tiles damaged and there is just a lot of trash." Meyer believes the broken



of-cycle application. "I still feel real good about

Previously, Hunt told city

Because Pampa does not have

Working most closely with members Janie Shed and

Commission has moved to 1224 N. Hobart, NBC Plaza, Suite 101. Regular hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. including the noon hour. For more formation, call 665-0938.

Center

Amarillo's internet class that

is coming to Pampa at a cost

of \$35 a person will be April

26 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the

Community (Chamber of

Commerce) Building. To

enroll call 371-9161 or 1-888-

3200-5552. An advertisement

that ran previously contained

an incorrect time for the class.

DALLAS (AP) — The sen-

tencing hearing for a former

Dallas city councilman con-

victed of bribery and conspir-

acy has been moved to

Thursday — up one day,

according to the federal judge

Earlier this month, Al

Lipscomb missed two sen-

tencing hearings before his

attorneys told U.S. District

Judge Joe Kendall that

Lipscomb suffered from

pneumonia and congestive

heart failure and was too ill to

appear. He had been under-

going tests at St. Paul's

Medical Center in Dallas at

the time.

presiding over the case.

PAMPA — The local office

of the Texas Workforce

High today, mid-70s

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Learning

Low tonight, upper 40s

For weather details, see

Charles Henry along with Susan Tripplehorn, executive director of the Pampa Economic **Development Commission.** "I cried," Hunt said of the

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felony charges of intoxication of the trial after an expert witmanslaughter, in connection with the May 30, 1999 one-vehicle crash in which Stacey Kaye Sehorn, 19, died and Nakisha Horton and Shawn Reames were

District Attorney John Mann.

cast for the next two days.

though the new date came without prior knowledge on my part," Mann said.

Sober remains in Gray County Jail awaiting trial, after bond was denied in January.

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Scientist disputes Carbon 14 dating of 'Shroud' AMARILLO — Accelerated

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

"Passionate" best describes biologist Dr. Miguel Argus. He's passionate about his work as a scientist and he's passionate in his belief in the authenticity of the Shroud of Turin as Jesus Christ's burial cloth.

Dr. Argus was in Pampa Monday as a guest of the Cross Ministries, a support group for the huge metal cross on Interstate 40, near Groom.

Dr. Argus' fascination with the Shroud of Turin originated during his childhood in Ecuador, he said.

As an 11-year-old, he remembers praying everyday for a year before an illuminated picture of Jesus Christ belonging to his mother.

"Always I kept the picture of the Holy face in my heart," he remembered.

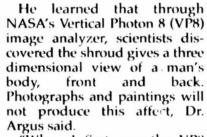
A scholarship through Berkeley brought Dr. Argus to the United States in 1964.

In 1981, Argus and his American wife attended an exhibit on the Shroud of Turin in Los Angeles. Three years earlier, the Catholic Church, owner of the Shroud, had granted permission to several scientists to study the religious relic housed in Turin, Italy.

"Something, a peace, a fire took over, something inside," said Dr. Argus, describing his first encounter with the Shroud. "I'm a scientist, dedicated to

science and biology," he said. "I was very interested to know about this Shroud."

Thus began Dr. Argus' nearly two decade search to learn more about the Shroud of Turin.



"When I first saw the VP8 used with a photograph, it produced an awful picture of a person - very distorted," Dr. Argus said. "But when it was used on the Shroud it came out like this." Dr. Argus pointed to a copy of the VP8 image he had displayed showing a bumpy, but recognizable three-dimensional man's face.

"I was astonished!" he said. The scientists who had studied the Shroud in the late 1970s found nothing to disprove the Shroud's authenticity as a linen cloth from the time of Christ. Research showed the image and the stains on the cloth were consistent with what is known about the affects of crucifixion on a human body, also, Dr. Argus said.

Then in 1988, the Church allowed a piece to be taken from the Shroud. It was divided in to four thin strips. Three laboratories were allowed to conduct Carbon 14 dating tests on the strips — one at Oxford, England; one at Zurich, Switzerland; and one at the University of Arizona. To the dismay of many believers, the Carbon 14 tests showed the linen cloth to have come from medieval times, 1300 to 1500 A.D., the time when mention of the Shroud first appears in historical records.

Dr. Argus disputes the Carbon

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(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore

Dr. Miguel Årgus, a retired professor of biology, points out interesting aspects of the Shroud of Turin, the reported burial cloth of Jesus Christ, to local members of the Ministry of the Cross. The Cross Ministries, a support organization for the huge cross on Interstate 40 near Groom, hosted a presentation by Argus at the cross Monday afternoon. Pictured from left are Connie Martinez, D. Martinez, Dr. Argus, and Bobby Thomas.

Mann decides not to seek recount

There will be no runoff in the 31st District comment by press time today. Attorney's race after defeated incumbent John Mann did not file for a recount by the 5 p.m. Monday deadline.

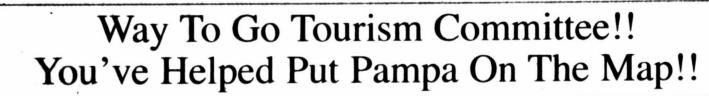
Reached this morning, Mann said, "I am not prepared to make a comment at this time."

Previously, Mann announced he would seek a recount in the April 11 Republican runoff race in which he lost to Rick Roach by six votes. Roach received 1,263 votes to Mann's 1,257 votes. The News was unable to reach Rick Roach for

In the November election, Roach, current Roberts County attorney, will face Democrat Charles Kessie, Hemphill County attorney.

Four years ago, Mann, then a Democrat and also the incumbent district attorney, defeated Roach in a hotly-contested election.

The 31st District Attorney race encompasses Gray, Hemphill, Roberts, Lipscomb and Wheeler counties.



• J. L. Pepper, 75, Shamrock Wheeler resident, homemaker.

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• Genelle Blakemore, 69, food services worker. Lalla M. D'Spain, 89, stocks and bonds broker. • Zoe Milhoan Inman, 85. private caregiver.

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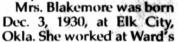
Daily Record

Obituaries

GENELLE BLAKEMORE

Genelle Blakemore, 69, of Pampa, died Sunday, April 23, 2000. Graveside services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in

Memory Gardens Cemetery with Tim Walker, minister of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church 0 Christ, officiating. Burial will be under the direction Carmichael-Whatley Directors of Funeral Pampa.



Minit Mart, Zales Jewelers and was the first woman to work at the post office in Pampa. Her last occupation was with the food services at Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

She belonged to Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Pamela Gail Wills of Carrollton and Sheila Kay Dallas of Pampa; a son, John Berry Blakemore, III, of La Porte; her mother, Violet Stinson of Wheeler; a sister, Melba Estelle Price of Cordell, Okla.; a brother, John Kenneth Stansberry of Port Orford, Ore.; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 1101 Terry Road and requests memorials be to a favorite charity. LALLA M. D'SPAIN

McLEAN - Lalla M. D'Spain, 89, died April 17, 2000, at Albuquerque, N.M. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean with Henry Walker, minister, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.

Mrs. D'Spain was born Oct. 13, 1910, in Texas. She had been an Albuquerque resident for 50 years and was a deacon at First Presbyterian Church in Albuquerque. She held a bachelor of art degree in chemistry from Texas Women's University and a master's degree in business administration from Texas Tech University. She worked at a military base in Texas during World War II and purchased a gift shop in Hilton Hotel in the late 1940s, selling the business in the 1960s. For a number of years, she worked for Shoe Make-up and sold stocks and bonds until her death.

She belonged to Pilot Club and was a charter member of the four Hills Country Clubs. She also enjoyed playing Duplicate Bridge.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews. The family requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to Texas Tech Foundation Inc., College of Business Administration, Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 41081, Lubbock, TX 79409.

ZOE MILHOAN INMAN

CLAUDE — Zoe Milhoan Inman, 85, died Saturday, April 22, 2000. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church with Dr. Gerald Aalbers, pastor, officiating Arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon. Mrs. Inman was born at White Deer and grew up at Wildorado. She graduated from high school in 1932. She married Fred A. Inman in 1938 at Lubbock. The couple farmed at Hereford for 34 years. She moved to Claude in 1972 and was a nurse for 17 years. She was a private caregiver in Groom, Panhandle, Pampa and Claude prior to retiring at age 78. She belonged to First Baptist Church of Hereford. Survivors include three daughters, Dora Ruth Gilley of Azle and Freda Jean Daughtery and Margaret Gilmore, both of Broken Bow, Okla.: a son, Dwight Chester Inman of Odessa; two sisters, Mary Cade of Post and Louella Hayes of Amarillo; a brother, Charles Milhoan of Monroe, La.; 14 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services tomorrow

D'SPAIN, Lalla M. - Graveside services, 10 a.m., Hillcrest Cemetery, McLean. PEPPER, J.L. - 2 p.m., First Baptist Church,

Police report

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

Sunday, April 16

Raquel Rebecca Rodriguez, 19, Borger, was arrested in the 200 block of East Brown on two warrants and four instanters out of Borger.

Monday, April 24

Rebecca Ann Daniels, 17, 405 Davis, was arrested at the residence on a warrant for assault. Diana Lynn Glass, 1149 Huff, reported a run-

away in the 300 block of East Brown. Eddie Lawrence, 405 E. Browning, reported

found property, a purple and orange bicycle, in the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana under two ounces was reported in the 1200 block of Mary Ellen.

An unattended death was reported in the 1300 block of Coffee.

Herman Eugene Wingeart, 613 N. Sumner, reported theft of a vehicle hood ornament in the 1300 block of North Banks.

Sheriff's Office

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

Monday, April 24

Paul Pond, 47, Cuchara, Colo., was arrested on charges of criminal mischief.

Fires

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

Monday, April 24

9:37 a.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a medical assist on Gray County Road H 1/2, Rural Route 2, Box 371.

4:42 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist at the Heritage Apartments, 1336 Coffee.

Correction

In the Sheriff's Office report Monday, it was reported that Michelle Cox, 30, of Lefors was arrested on alcoholic beverage violations. Cox was arrested on a charge of theft by check.

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REHAB

computer hard drive crash. "Everything was gone. Just gone. It took me two days before I could call Janie [Shed] about it and by then I knew we could do the late application."

If the grant is approved, it will be divided into \$50,000 increments for housing rehabilitation of "owner-occupied" housing, Hunt said. If \$50,000 is not needed on one or more houses, the left over funds will be used to upgrade more homes.

Those eligible to make application can do so afte

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HAIL

windows were caused by "flying rocks" and not by the hail that he said was pea and marble size.

'They're not really saying it was a tornado,' Meyer said, "but there was some pretty good damage out this way."

Among the damage, Meyer noted, included a fifth-wheel trailer turned over and a quonset hut that sustained heavy damage. A spokesman at Parsley's Roofing laughed and

said Ronnie Parsley's house "is the priority job" this morning as daylight can be seen through the

SCIENTIST

14 tests, presenting the work of two scientists who he believes have proven the Carbon 14 tests to be false readings.

"Science will evaluate the results of science," Dr. Argus quotes Cardinal Ballesteros of Turin, Italy, as saying.

Russian scientist Dr. Dimitri Kouznetzer, head of a biopolymer lab in Moscow, is one of the scientists who have challenged the Carbon 14 results, according to Dr. Argus. By analyzing the melting point of the silver which dripped onto the shroud in a 1532 fire, Dr. Kouznetzer determined the linen had been exposed to a heat of 960 degrees Celsius.

Dr. Kouznetzer went to Israel to find a piece of linen from the same time period as Christ's death. He found a piece of a burial cloth from a tomb which through carbon dating was actually 100 years earlier than the time of Christ. He then exposed the piece to 960 degrees Celsius, Dr. Argus said, and performed the Carbon 14 test on the piece again.

"The date of the cloth changed from 100 to 200 B.C. to 1044 to 1272 A.D.," Dr. Argus said in triumph. "It changed the carbon content!"

Dr. Argus said a scientist from Texas, Dr. Garza-

Jury flips coin to decide murder over manslaughter

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) - Jurors who couldn't decide whether to convict a man of murder or manslaughter in the shooting death of his girlfriend flipped a coin and found him guilty of murder. However, the judge declared a mistrial after finding out about the coin toss.

Phillip J. Givens II, 28, would have faced life in prison if convicted of murder in the death of

- and if - the grant is funded, she said. Financial eligibility requires those applying make no more than 80 percent of the median income, Hunt said. That figure for a family of four is \$31,350.

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Hunt plans to have the application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs by June or July which she said keeps Pampa "pretty much on the same time table" it was before the computer malfunction.

She expects the grant recipients will be announced this fall.

roof over the kitchen.

A company warehouse next to Parsley's home, which is about three miles east of Pampa on Highway 60, lost its roof.

No other roofing calls had come into the company this morning but the spokesman there said people usually contact an insurance adjuster before calling for roof repairs.

The storm also brought .62 inches of rain which brings the yearly total up to 4.87 inches and put this month's tally to 2.16 inches, Sehorn said. Normal for the year through the entire month of April is 3.14 inches, Sehorn said.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE Vadez of San Antonio, also proved the Carbon 14

dating to be false. Dr. Vadez research showed the fibers of the shroud, as well many other ancient artifacts, are covered with a bacteria-fungi coating which can sometimes retard the aging process. The coating, called "bioplastic," is a living organ-ism created by a symbiotic relationship between the bacteria and fungi.

"It breathes," Dr. Argus said. "When it breathes, t takes in oxygen and produces carbon dioxide."

Dr. Vadez tested fibers from the shroud and discovered they were covered with the bioplastic. His theory is that the carbon dioxide created by the organism created a false Carbon 14 reading.

Dr. Argus, who presented his findings at a Holy Week retreat in Channing, said he hopes the media will report the most recent research as widely as the Carbon 14 results were reported.

"Science has spoken. Science has evaluated the results of the Carbon 14 dating and found it to be wrong," he said.

Science can change minds — when we can be honest," he added. "For example, look at the age of the universe. Science once thought it was 15 billion light years old. Now we know it is not so old, because of the beautiful pictures of the Hubble Telescope. Now we believe it is 10-to-12 billion light years old."

Despite all the evidence derived through scientific study of the Shroud of Turin, Dr. Argus admits that the cloth presents a special challenge that, to date, science cannot answer.

"What caused the image?" Dr. Argus said, explaining that it is evident that the image appeared to be transmitted from the body to the cloth. "It seems to be energy, but what kind of energy? X-rays, gamma rays, what?

"There is no scientific test for Christ," he concedes. Phoenic Kester, Einder Ma.



The family requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to Boys Ranch, 600 W. 11th Ave., Amarillo, TX 79101.

J.L. PEPPER

SHAMROCK - J.L. Pepper, 75, died Monday, April 24, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jack Lee officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Pepper was born Sept. 19, 1924, in Wheeler County. He married Frankie E. Henry on April 28, 1944, at Sayre, Okla. He served on Shamrock ISD School Board and on Shamrock City Council. He ranched most of his life and belonged to First Baptist Church, holding several offices.

He was a U.S. Navy Air Force veteran, serving during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Frankie, of Shamrock; a daughter, Kathryn Sherron Dogget of Alvarado; two sons, Tommy Dale Pepper of Gruver and J. Dean Pepper of Tulia; four sisters, Dora Woods of Fritch, Alma Crowder of Chickasha, Okla., and Shirley Giest and Wanda Armstrong, both of Pampa; three brothers, Roy C. Pepper of Amarillo, Leon Pepper of Borger and Dennis Pepper of Fritch; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

SUE POSEY

AMARILLO - Sue Posey, 56, died Saturday, April 22, 2000. Memorial services will be at 4 p.m. today in Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel.

Mrs. Posey was born at Chickasha, Okla., and had been an Amarillo resident most of her life. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband of 37 years, Gary Posey; two daughters, Robin Posey and Rhonda Posey, both of Amarillo; six sons, Bryan Posey of Houston and Gary Posey, Andy Posey, Hollis Posey, Larry Posey and Jerry Posey, all of Amarillo; three sisters, Cassie Hixon of Waco, Katherine Humphrey of Wheeler and Kathline Mote of Wellington; four brothers, Salty Dockins of Erick, Okla., Leon Dockins of Mobley, Hollis Dockins of Amarillo and Elray Dockins of Washburn; and 18 grandchildren.

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Ambulance

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

Monday, April 24

9:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a location in Gray County and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11:38 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West. 12:51 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2100 block of Coffee

2:24 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Northwest Texas Hospital and transported one to PRMC.

2:26 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NWTH.

3:37 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to 1500 Hilton Road and transported one to NWTH. 4:43 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1300

block of Coffee; no transport.

Accidents

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

Friday, March 31 4 p.m. — A 1987 Ford driven by Reggie Eugene Williams, 29, 1000 S. Wells, and a 1987 Chevrolet pickup driven by William Joseph Neil, 22, 1015 Twiford, collided at the intersection of Love and Wilks streets. In the original report, Neil was cited for failure to yield right of way. The following supplement was added to the original accident report:

"Due to the fact there is no stop or yield control device at the intersection of the 900 block of Love Street and the 900 block of Wilks Street, Unit 1 (the 1987 Ford driven by Williams) is at fault. Unit 1 failed to yield right of way to Unit 2 (the 1987 Chevrolet pickup driven by Neil) who was on the right. This resulted in Unit 1 striking Unit 2 FR (front right) to FL (front left)."

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7a.m. Monday.

Friday, April 21

A 1981 Oldsmobile driven by Billy Dwayne Wortham, 29, of 1053 Varnon, was in collision with a 1994 Dodge pickup driven by Regelio Villarreal, 45, of 51 N. Zimmers about 10 a.m. Friday at the intersection of Brown and Huff. Wortham was cited for failure to yield.

A 1994 Chevrolet Cavalier driven by Ricky Lynn Potts, 29, of 1031 N. Sumner #116, was in collision with a 1999 Honda SUV driven by Ladonna Jean James, 35, of Skellytown about 5:30 p.m. Friday in the 1300 block of Norht Hobart. Potts was cited for following too close.

Monica Briggs, 29, last May. A new trial was scheduled for Sept. 12.

The jury of five men and seven women deliberated about nine hours over two days last week before provident of the second s issuing the verdict Friday.

Jury foreman David Melton told The Courier-Journal for today's editions the jurors decided to flip a silver dollar to avoid a hung jury. Because all agreed on the coin toss, they thought it was legal, he said.

"Realistically, I didn't think we had anything to the lose," Melton said. "We were going to be hung without it."

But when the jurors returned to court Monday to recommend a sentence, Jefferson Circuit Judge Kenneth Conliffe ordered a new trial after telling Melton he had heard about the coin toss, and Melton confirmed that it happened.

Brian Butler, one of the prosecutors in the case, said one of the jurors apparently told someone

about the coin toss, and that person told a Jefferson County court employee. The court employee told a judge, who brought it to Conliffe's attention, Butler said., Three of the jurors declined to

comment to the newspaper. The others could not be reached by the newspaper.

Conliffe also declined to be interviewed.

Givens' lawyer, Chandler, said it's "scary" to think that 12 people would decide to flip a coin to reach a verdict, especially in a murder case:

"It kind of blows your mind," he said. "I think they had a lapse in judgment, and I'd like to think it doesn't go on very often."

Weather focus

PAMPA — Sunny today with high in the mid 70s with eastnortheast winds at 15-20 mph. Mostly clear tonight with a high in the upper 40s and southeast winds at 5-15 mph. Partly cloudy tomorrow with a 30 percent chance of rain, a high in the low 80s and southeast winds at 5-15 mph. High yesterday 76; low tonight 51.

STATEWIDE — Scattered showers fell today across the Panhandle and along the Red River, but most Texans escaped rainfall as a high-pressure system kept moisture away.

It's a break in the recent pattern of Pacific fronts, accompanied by precipitation-producing low pressure systems, that have moved through the state mph. this spring.

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light chance of showers or thunderstorms was forecast in the west and north through Wednesday. A slight chance of thunderstorms was also forecast in the west.

Daytime highs were forecast in the mid-70s northeast to mid Austin, 75 at Del Rio, 50 at 80s in the southwest and 90s Dalhart and Amarillo, 74 at elsewhere, with readings in the Rio Grande Valley around 100. Overnight lows should be in the lower 40s in the Panhandle to 70s along the coast and Big Bend.

> A slight chance of showers or thunderstorms was also forecast for the Panhandle and Plains through South Wednesday.

plex over southern Oklahoma was generating isolated showers northwest of a line from Increasing cloudiness with a near Jacksboro to Durant, Okla. Early-morning temperatures ranged from the upper 40s in the Panhandle to mid-60s in the

south and mid-70s from the Rio

Readings included 51 degrees

at McKinney, 63 at Grey Army Airfield near Killeen, 54 at

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

The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call Bob Andersen 665-4252 or J.B Walker at 669-2266.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

ORDER **OF THE EASTERN STAR**

Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, has changed their meeting nights from the first and third Tuesdays to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

OPEN DOOR

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Open Alcoholics Door Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule - seven days a week two meetings a day -noon till 1 p.m. no smoking, and Tuesday and Thursday 8-9 p.m. call 665-

Woodrow Wilson honor roll

Woodrow Wilson Elementary School recently announced its honor roll for the fifth six weeks grading period of the 1999-00 school year.

Second Grade Amanda Brasier, Brittany Bennett, Matricia Davis, Daisy Perez, Tyler Willbanks, Zackery Cheater, Kylee Reel, Erick Ramirez, Sam Newman, Israel Casanova, Justin Carlton, Canyon Dougherty, Micaela Anguiano, Bethney Mosteller, Aleah Noble, Crystal Collis, Cody Starks, Meghan Asencio, Riky Caballero, Jacob Collins, Jordann Hughes, Ryan Jimenez, Phoenix Keeter, Lindsey Ma, Leonal Madrid, Ariel Mercado, Lauren Roberts, Daniel

9702 for information. **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 rival-ry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

PAMPA ELEMENTARY CHORUS

The Pampa Elementary Chorus will present "The King and I" at 7:30 p.m. April 28-29 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets will information, call 665-8801. be available at the door.

STORYTELLING

"Storytelling" is slated at 6 p.m. May 6 at West Texas A&M University in the Chuckwagon ment topics during the noon hour **Outdoor Theater.**

LIGHTHOUSE TRAIL DEDICATION

The dedication of the dially invited to bring a lunch and Lighthouse Trail in Palo Duro attend the sessions. The series will Canyon State Park will kick-off at cover: "Stock Market History and

(Special photo)

Christi Lee placed first in Entrepreneurship and Sean Stowers placed first in International Business at the Business Professionals of America Leadership Conference held recently in Plano.

BPA students attend leadership conference

The Pampa Chapter of Business national Professionals of America recently Minneapolis, Minn. Session and the attended the Texas Leadership Financial Analyst Team are alter-Conference in Plano. Students com- nates to the national competition. peted with others from across the state in various business related elected at the state conference to contests. Daniel Dreher, National run for national office. Lee was

competition Three students from Texas are Trivia," April 6; "Mechanics of the Stock Market," April 13; "The Federal Reserve System and the Stock Market," April 20; and "Stock Analysis - Technical vs. Fundamental," April 27.

MAYFEST

Mayfest, a Festival of Mind, Body and Spirit, will be held from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. May 6 in Amarillo Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 4901 Cornell, Amarillo. Activities will include workshops, entertainment, readers and vendors. Admission is \$3 per person. A percentage of the proceeds will benefit Martha's Home. For more information, contact Sherri Lebow at (806) 463-5533.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the Cancer Society, American Thursdays from 12 noon-1:30 p.m. this month (April). For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan 141 or toll-free at 1-800-274-4673. CATTLEWOMEN

SCHOLARSHIPS

Top O' Texas CattleWomen will award one \$500 scholarship and two \$250 scholarships to high

Famed female flier to speak at alumni banquet

World War II finally ended, Florene Miller Watson had flown every type of aircraft used by the United States Army Air Corps. The Borger resident, who in 1943 commanded the Women's Air Force Service Pilots (WASP) outfit at Dallas' Love Field, will share some of her harrowing military experiences as keynote speaker for the West Texas A&M University Alumni Association's 37th annual Phoenix Club Banquet slated to begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 6 at the Alumni Banquet Facility.

The Alumni Association annually announces its Distinguished Alumnus Awards as well as the University Excellence Award, which honors staff, faculty or administrators who have

Carson, Collingsworth, Gray, April 4, 11, 18 and 25 at Crown of Hemphill, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts or Wheeler Counties. Applications — now available at schools in these counties — must be received by April 28 and should be mailed to Sandra Christner, P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, TX 79096. The winners' schools will be notified in early May prior to graduation.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for 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 chickenpox (varicella). Pneumococcal vaccines are also available. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clin-ics will be offered: 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4:30 p.m., April 6 and 19, Family McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. Health Care, 600 W. Kentucky, Pampa; 10 a.m.-12 noon, 1-3 p.m., April 25, White Deer school, White Deer; 1-3:30 p.m., April 26, Skellytown school, Skellytown. sessions. Registration is \$75 and LIFE AFTER LOSS

American Cancer Society and school seniors who are planning Crown of Texas Hospice will to major in an agricultural, nutri- sponsor a four-week "Life After call TFA at (409) 632-TREE; e-mail tional or health-related field in Loss" seminar for those who have ccalhoun@texasforestry.org; or college. These scholarships are recently suffered the loss of a write P.O. Box 1488, Lufkin, TX available to students living in loved one from 5:30-6:30 p.m. 75902.

CANYON — By the time vice to WTAMU, students, the Government initiated the concept. Tickets for the Phoenix Club Additionally at this year's Banquet are \$17.50 for club and banquet, the much-anticipated endowed members; \$20 for WTAMU Man and Woman of Alumni Association members; the Century awards will be and \$25 for non-members. All presented as selected by a tickets purchased after Friday, committee representing each April 28 are \$35. For tickets or

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Texas Hospice, 10000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo. To register or for more information, call (806) 353-4306. SKY CAMP Crown of Texas Hospice

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Foundation will present the third season of "SKY Camp," a camp for grieving children, June 30-July 2 in Ceta Canyon Camp and Retreat Center, 40 miles southeast of Amarillo. The camp is free to all par-ticipants and will focus on children between 7-17 grieving the death of a loved one. For more information or to make application, call (806) 372-7696 or 1-800-6365. The deadline for application is May 15.

TEACHERS **CONSERVATION INSTITUTE**

Registration is currently under way for Texas Forestry Association's week-long Teacher's **Conservation Institute summer** workshop to be held June 25-30, July 9-14 and July 16-21. Teachers will receive a first-hand look at forestry in East Texas by touring forest product mills, a Tree Farm, a logging operation, a nursery and a seed orchard. They will also be trained in Project Learning Tree and Project WILD. The first session is currently full but spaces are includes all food, lodging and materials for a week. For a free brochure or for more information,



2 p.m. May 7 with a guided nature hike leading to a location below the Lighthouse Formation where a formal ceremony will be held at 4 p.m. For more informa-tion, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49. CCPC

Clarendon College-Pampa Center will offer the following

continuing education courses:

"Bible as Literature," instructor

Linda Haynes, 6-7 p.m., March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2 and 9; and "Microsoft Access '97,"

instructor Tex Buckhaults, 1-3

p.m., April 3, 10, 17 and 24. Cost

for each course is \$25. For more

INVESTMENT SERIES

Greg Brown and Richard Russell, A.G. Edwards and Sons,

Inc., will present a series of invest-

each Thursday in April in Room

#102 of Clarendon College-

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Valenzuela, Miranda Waldrop. Third Grade

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Megan Waldrop. **Fifth Grade**

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Eleven students from Pampa participated in the many events Members attended various workshops and sessions presented by professional speakers. Nine students competed in state level contests. These students had to win at the regional level to compete at the state level.

The following students com-eted: Kelleen Ebel, peted: Administrative Apecialist; Lisa Estrada, Spreadsheet Application & Analysis; Chris Hearron, Document Formatting Associate; Daisy Leal, Office Assistant; Christie Lee, Entrepreneur; Milissa Session, Management Accounting: Sean Stowers, International Business; Jimmy Story, Management Concepts; Jessica Conner, Session, Estrada, Leal, Financial Analyst Team.

Lee and Stowers both won their contest and will advance to the ored at a reception.

elected to represent lexa Texas board member, and PHS of these three national officer senior, spoke at the opening session. candidates. Her campaign manager was Caryn Lowrey.

Several students were also recat the Leadership Conference. ognized for their work in the organization and community by receiving their Statesman Torch Award. These students had to earn 50 points in each of the following categories: leadership; service; knowledge; love, hope, and faith; cooperation, patriotism, and friendship. The students receiving this recognition included: Lee, Lowrey, Estrada, Hearron, Stowers and Session. Dreher was awarded the Texas Business Technology Educators scholarship for \$1,000. Lee was awarded a \$1,000 renewable scholarship by Johnson & Wales to any of their universities.

The Pampa Chapter was recognized as one of the top two chapters in the state. The chapter received several special recognition awards. Members were hon-

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April 28 and 29

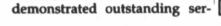
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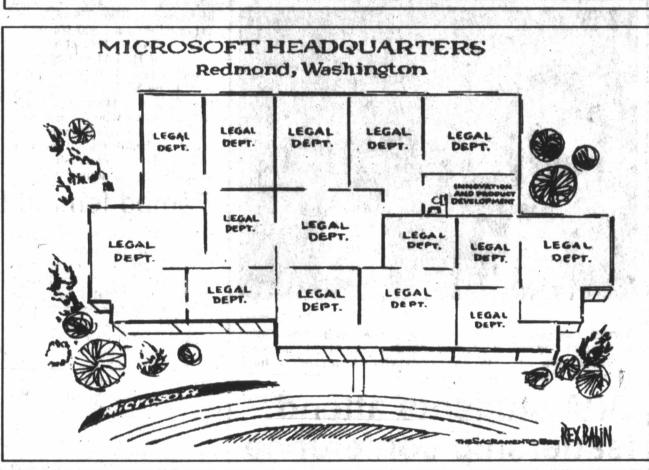




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VIEWPOINTS

INDIFFERENCE CRIME HATE CRIME



Today in history

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, April 25, the 116th day of 2000. There are

250 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On April 25, 1945, delegates from some 50 countries met in San Francisco to organize the United Nations.

On this date: In 1792, highwayman Nicolas Jacques Pelletier became the first perion under French law to be executed by the guillotine. In 1859, ground was broken for the Suez Canal.

In 1874, radio pioneer Guglielmo Marconi was born in Bologna, Italy.

In 1898, the United States formally declared war on Spain. In 1901. New York became

the first state to require automobile license plates; the fee was one dollar.

In 1915, during World War I, Allied soldiers invaded the Gallipoli Peninsula in an unsuccessful attempt to take the Ottoman Turkish Empire out of the war.

In 1945, during World War II, U.S. and Soviet forces linked up on the Elbe River, a meeting that dramatized the collapse of Nazi Germany's defenses.

In 1959, the St. Lawrence Seaway opened to shipping.

In 1983, Soviet leader Yuri V. Andropov invited Samantha Smith to visit his country after receiving a letter in which the Manchester, Maine, schoolgirl expressed fears about nuclear war.

In 1983, the Pioneer 10 spacecraft crossed Pluto's orbit, speeding on its endless voyage through the Milky Way.

Ten years ago: Violeta Barrios de Chamorro was inaugurated as president of Nicaragua, ending 11 years of leftist Sandinista rule. The Hubble Space Telescope was deployed from the space shuttle "Discovery."

Five years ago: Show business legend Ginger Rogers died in Rancho Mirage, Calif., at age

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Opinion **Microsoft verdict** is a legal stretch

A legal case may drag on long past the practicality of the matter.

Given the harsh "findings of fact" he issued last November, it is hardly surprising that District Court Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson ruled that Microsoft Corp. has indeed violated U.S. antitrust laws.

Of course, in the Alice-in-Wonderland world of antitrust law, that's hardly the end of the matter. Jackson is not expected to decide on a remedy for Microsoft's grave infractions until October. Then will come appeals.

By the time the case grinds to a resolution at least a half-dozen generations of computer software and several new revolutions in computing technology will have come and gone. Desktops, with or without Internet browsers, might well be a distant memory, viewed as horse-and-buggy technology by the 14-year-old whizzes of that not-so-distant future. But hundreds, perhaps thousands, of lawyers will have been on the meter for years.

All of which should provide, as Cato Institute senior fellow in constitutional studies Robert Levy put it, "unambiguous proof that the antitrust laws are flawed to their core and should be repealed."

But they probably won't be repealed. Instead they will stay on the books, to be used selectively in response to political pressure, more often stifling competition than promoting it.

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A helpless pawn in a ruthless struggle

The case against Microsoft and the vehemence with which Microsoft's foes have pursued this vendetta is more likely to be explained by studying abnormal psychology than by any reference either to law or to economics.

Consider that what is supposed to be damaging to consumers about a monopoly is that it will restrict production of a product it controls and force the price up. Microsoft never did that although it was a hard-nosed and sometimes arrogant bargainer with suppliers and others in the industry.

Instead, the company kept the price of Windows software steady (and low), tried to sell as much of it as possible and then added a new Internet browsing feature at no additional cost. Yet Microsoft's adversaries showed not the slightest embarrassment in insisting that this behavior - precisely the opposite of what a monopolist was supposed to do -- constituted ultimate proof that the company is an evil monopolist.

In his ruling, Jackson accused Microsoft of "unlawfully tying its Web browser" to its operating system. In doing so, the judge said, "Microsoft placed an oppressive thumb on the scale of competitive fortune, thereby effectively guaranteeing its continued dominance" in the market.

Is it sin ply hatred of bigness that causes such intellectual absurdities to be embraced? Or envy? A desire to see the successful pulled down from their pedestal?

It seems obvious no one's thumb can long hold down the "scale of competitive fortune," especially in the computing business. The changes in the business that have occurred since the government filed its complaint in 1998 should illustrate the absurdity of using antitrust law to dictate the pace and direction of such a market. Netscape, against which Microsoft employed allegedly illegal tactics, has been bought by AOL and seems to be shifting directions. Two new versions of Windows have come on the market. Linux and other systems are working to make operating systems like Windows obsolete, but Internet-based applications might just make all of them a memory.

Despite the government's worst efforts, the high-tech field remains fiercely competitive. The more resources are diverted to litigation and lobbying rather than to research and innovation, however, the less true that is likely to be.

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As I peruse the weekend newspapers, I am sickened by the knowledge that law enforcement officers stormed an American home and took a frightened, weeping six-year-old.

This act, standing on its own without looking at the events leading up to it, smacks of all the horror stories I have read about the Nazis seizing hapless Jews in the 1930s and 1940s. I don't want to believe that such an deed can occur in the United States, no matter what the reason behind

What is happening here? How did we come to this?

Elian has become a household word. Everyone has an opinion about what should be done for him. Here's my opinion, for the record.

This little boy's amazing survival and the tragic loss of his mother tugs at America's heart strings. At six years old, he has become a symbol of the Cubans' flight from the oppression of Fidel Castro's regime. Freedom-lovers that we are, we want to see him whole and happy and living in the land of plenty.

As the United States of America we are a government for the people, by the people and as such, we, as we are represented by the United States government, are determining the fate of this little

Who are we to do this?

I am no politician. I am no student of international relations. I know that learned people in boatloads of Haitian refugees who have tried to these areas may give me a million reasons why the United States acted in the way it did.

I am simply a parent. I can only see this from

Dee Dee Laramore Staff write

parent's point of view. As a parent, I cannot see how a government, any government, has the right to tell me what is best for my children.

To me, the whole matter should have been settled within hours of finding the boy at sea. Once Elian's medical condition was stable and once his father was located, the boy should have been reunited with his father. No ifs, ands, or buts about it. When his mother died, custody of the boy went to his father.

I can't speak for Juan Miguel Gonzales. I can only speak for myself. If I were living in a country where I felt endangered and oppressed and I saw the opportunity for my child to have a better life, I would do everything I could to give my child that opportunity. Even if it meant sacrificing the chance to raise him as a parent.

So what makes Elian so different from the come to the United States and were turned away by the U.S. Coast Guard?

A number of factors make this case different.

I believe. First and toremost to the Cuban refugees living in Little Havana is the issue of human rights and freedom from Fidel Castro's communist regime.

Somehow, because of these issues, the United States government has become embroiled in what is actually a bitter custody battle over a little boy. In my opinion, what is best for Elian has been completely disregarded in the interest of the maternal side of his family winning over the paternal side and in the interest of the United States winning over Cuba.

Elian has become a pawn in a two-level chess game, international and personal. Custody batles on a personal level happen everywhere. I bet I can take you right now and show you five similar cases going through District Court here.

As a newspaper reporter, I have been drawn into situations where it was clear that both sides were using the media to advance their own causes. I believe that's what is happening with Elian, as well. It's a difficult task to find the truth in the midst of all the accusations and self-serving rhetoric. Sometimes I've been more successful at it than at others.

It hurts me to see the United States allow itself to be a part of this. Even more I am ashamed to see how the United States — a government for the people and by the people, thus making us responsible --- should become so involved in a situation that it must slump to the level of sending in a SWAT team to snatch a crying child cowering in a closet.

How can this be justice?

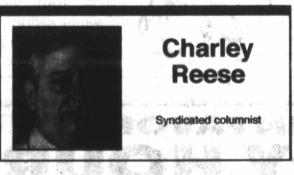
A task for young people to undertake

It must be tough being a young person these days. I don't see any celebrities in entertainment, politics or sports who would make a very inspiring role model. It must be easy to give in to the cynicism of the times.

In fact, though, there is much work that needs to be done and many great endeavors to undertake. One pressing question is how does a society, after it succeeds in a material and economic sense, prevent itself from degenerating. I've often thought that one thing human beings can't stand is a long spell of peace and prosper-

ity. They seem to go to pot, no pun intended. I won't fall into the trap of saying war is an ennobling experience because it produces people willing to make sacrifices for the common good - or at least for the common objective. There is really nothing noble about war. The technology of death has advanced so far that if we had a real war between roughly equal powers, the survivors would have a hard time trying to figure out who won.

So there is another task for young people to undertake: How do nations keep the peace in a world of global communications and vastly unequal distribution of wealth and population? It won't be easy. The old balance-ofpower game has always ended up producing wars. World organizations like the United Nations also produce wars. And to complicate the task are the great multinational corporations. Some have incomes greater than some this particular point, the United States seems is a good time to be young.



nations. These multinationals owe allegiance to no country, and their use of power is almost beyond the scope of small nation-states to regulate.

I am one of those old fogies who believes that the Internet is vastly overrated, but that it could be used to connect the bright and idealistic youth in every country. America's teens ought to remember that they have counterparts in practically every country, people their age facing the same or a similar set of prob-lems. And since all these young people, wherever they are, will eventually become presidents, prime ministers, premiers, ministers and generals, it would be a good idea if they got to know each other.

They should not be afraid to think "outside the box," as the current slang says; their elders' in-the-box thinking has had mixed results. At

to know more about waging war than managing peace. We ought not to be the world's No. 1 arms peddler, but we are. We are selling arms to governments that can't even supply clean water and sewers to their people.

So there are plenty of problems in the political and social realms for young people to tackle. There also remain huge gaps in scientific knowledge that those so inclined can devote their lives to filling.

The trick is to turn one's back on the clamoring mob of media and entertainment and begin to assert one's independence - one's Godgiven right to think for his or her self without being manipulated by advertisers and screenwriters and journalists and politicians. The real world, as opposed to the distorted vision of it presented by the media, remains a beautiful and inspiring place. Look around you. What could be more impor-

tant than spring? I just returned from South Carolina, where the dogwood, azaleas and wisteria are in full bloom. It was gloriously beautiful, so beautiful that a sensible person would thank God for the opportunity to see another greening of the Earth in our hemisphere.

Life is good, and there are wise and good people out there, noble causes to serve, quests to undertake. You just have to look for them, and they aren't to be found in Hollywood, on television or in the newspapers. But any time

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Judge in Branch Davidian case denies requests WACO, Texas (AP) — The federal judge presiding over the Branch Davidians' wrongful death lawsuit against the government has denied plaintiffs' request to reinstate as defendants two of the FBI's on-scene commanders during the 1993 siege and its fiery conclusion. U.S. District Judge Walter Smith's order, made public Monday at the conclusion of a protectal bearing in Waco, said lawyees for the

the conclusion of a pre-trial hearing in Waco, said lawyers for the Branch Davidians have presented "nothing to justify reinstating any claims against defendants Jeffrey Jamar and Richard Rogers." Plaintiffs have contended that Jamar and Rogers did little to pre-

pare for the possibility of fire despite Attorney General Janet Reno's directive that they be ready for all emergency contingencies. Jamar also told Congress he kept the local volunteer fire depart-ment's personnel and fire trucks away from the burning sect com-pound out of concern that the firefighters could be hit by Davidian gunfire or exploding ammunition.

More than 80 Branch Davidians died during the inferno that consumed their flimsy wooden retreat on April 19, 1993, several hours into an FBI tear-gassing operation intended to end the 51-day siege. In the four-page order, Smith also rejected the Justice Department's request to throw out three of the five major aspects in the civil lawsuit — that federal agents erred in not bringing in armored firefight-ing equipment; that they wrongly held back firefighters as the com-pound burned; and that using tanks to push into the compound deviated from the operations plan the attorney general approved.

Bush helps dedicate bridge, talking free trade

NUEVO LAREDO, Mexico (AP) - Texas Gov. George W. Bush used a quick trip to Mexico to argue strongly for open trade while highlighting his connections to Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo. Bush, the putative Republican presidential nominee, appeared with Zedillo on Monday to dedicate a \$128 million international

bridge linking Laredo, Texas, and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. "Mr. President, it's always an honor to be in your presence," Bush

said to Zedillo. He reminded the audience that he appeared with Zedillo seven months ago to dedicate an international bridge at Eagle Pass, Texas.

Bush said he would seek "fast-track" negotiating status from Congress to expand free trade in the Western Hemisphere - something President Clinton also has been seeking.

While Bush's Democratic presidential opponent, Vice President Al Gore, supports more open trade, the administration has faced strong opposition within its own party, especially from labor organizations concerned about workers' rights and the possibility of losing jobs to foreign countries.

The Texas governor spoke a bit of Spanish to welcome the mostly Mexican crowd. Then he said he wanted to build on the North American Free Trade Agreement to bring other countries throughout Latin America under a free trade umbrella.

Clinton has unsuccessfully sought from Congress the negotiating authority he would need to achieve the same objective. Clinton pushed NAFTA through Congress in 1993 with widespread Republican support over opposition from labor and many Democrats.

Laredo, Texas, just across the Rio Grande, is the largest inland port in the United States. The city has nearly doubled in population in the past decade, mostly because of the trade generated because of the free trade agreement.

Talks break down on extending pilots' contract

DALLAS (AP) — Talks designed to shore up the rocky relationship between American Airlines and its pilots have failed to produce a contract extension.

That doesn't mean a strike is imminent --- the pilots are under contract until August 2001. But the end of talks seemed to signal one more lost opportunity to ease tension between the nation's No. 2 car-rier and the Allied Pilots Association.

tion bonus the union had sought.

The offer that union members will vote on at noon CDT Wednesday also apparently includes a 10-percent pay raise over three years and cost-of-living adjustments that were also included in Lockheed's last offer before the strike.

Galveston officials found liable in deaths of couple

HOUSTON (AP) - Families of a Galveston couple who died when the car they were in plunged off a hotel pier in 1996 will receive \$10.5 million from the Gulf coast city under a jury award in a negligence lawsuit.

Jurors also took the unusual step Monday of urging the judge to order a stronger railing be built on the city-owned pier.

"In the 35 years that the Flagship pier has been operating, no one has ever driven off the pier before," Galveston City Manager Steve LeBlanc said in a statement obtained by the Houston Chronicle in today's editions. "Are we coming to the point where no one is responsible for their actions?'

Relatives of Kenneth Garza and Dorey Fabain sued the city of Galveston and Flagship Hotel Ltd., accusing them of negligence for failing to install a railing that would stop a car from going off the pier. The city owns the pier and hotel building while the company leases and operates the hotel.

Jurors concluded that the city was 50 percent negligent, the hotel firm 40 percent negligent and Garza, 34, who apparently drove backward off the pier, 10 percent negligent, attorney Alton Todd told the newspaper.

Todd, who represented the families, said the finding on Garza's negligence will reduce the city's and the hotel firm's liability to \$9.45 million.

The pier's 1964 curb and railing — a 6-inch-high warning curb and railing designed only to keep pedestrians from falling off — were exempted when stricter building codes were enacted.

ELSEWHERE

CONTINENTAL LAWSUIT: Continental Airlines sued United Airlines and Washington Dulles International Airport on Monday. The Houston-based airline contends that the baggage-size restrictors at the airport put it at a competitive disadvantage. ... HOLOCAUST WEB SITE: Holocaust survivors can check a new Web site to see and never drew their weapons.

whether they have unpaid insurance policies, Texas Insurance Commission Joe Montemayor said Monday. The International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims maintains the site, www.icheic.org, which contains 1,900 names of survivors. ... WIDEN-ING INTERSTATE: Plans to widen Interstate 35 north of Austin will be open for discussion at a series of public hearings planned during June and July, Texas lawmakers announced Monday. The \$1 billion construction project would expand I-35 to six lanes on a 94-mile stretch of highway that passes through Waco and into Bell, Falls, McLennan and Hill counties. ... BODIES FOUND: Tarrant County authorities continued efforts Monday to determine the identities of two bodies found over the weekend. One of the bodies was found in the Trinity River by two children trying to get a closer look at the water during an Easter outing. Earlier Sunday, a homeless man was killed by a train.

Man dies during police struggle

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) - Police said a man accused of urinating in front of children died during a struggle with officers who tried to handcuff him.

When police went to a city park Monday to investigate a complaint by parents, Herberto Cardona, 40, was lying on the ground, asking to be taken to a hospital, Amarillo police chief Jerry Neal said. When officer Justin Taylor tried to handcuff him, Cardona began to hit and kick the officer, and three other officers came to Taylor's assistance, Neal said.

Cardona fought all against the attempt to subdue him, then stopped breathing during the struggle, Neal said.

"It was more of just kind of a wrestling match than anything," Neal said.

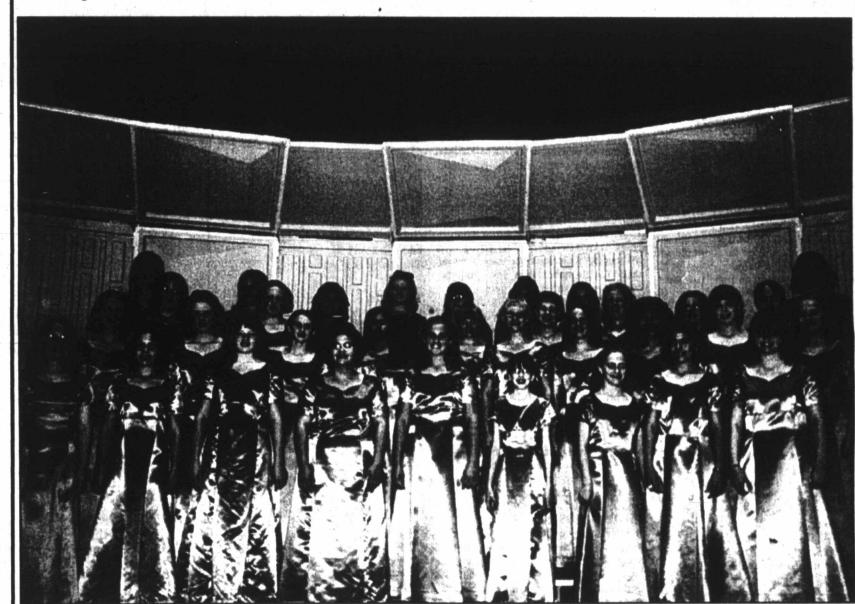
An autopsy was ordered.

Cpl. Tex Phillips, Cpl. Richard Weathers, Cpl. Janie Moore and Taylor have been placed on a three-day administrative leave with pay. Such a move is standard procedure in an officer-related death.

Parents had complained that a man at the Mary Hazelrigg Park had urinated in front of children and was acting unstable, Special Crimes Lt. Ed Smith said.

Smith said officers began CPR when Cardona stopped breathing

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The main sticking point in the negotiations was union opposition **plans by American's sister airline**, American Eagle, to enlarge its fleet of regional jets. American Eagle has firm orders to buy 15 new 70-passenger jets next year and eight the following year, a spokeswoman said.

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According to union spokesman Gregg Overman, the planned 2002 purchases would violate their contract, which limits American Eagle to 67 jets holding 45 or more passengers. The pilots bargained for the 67-jet cap because they didn't want a large fleet of small jets cannibalizing flights flown by American captains.

American spokeswoman Karen Watson said the airline has offered to get an early start on next year's negotiations, scheduled to start around July 1. She said the union has not responded to the proposal. The most recent low point of relations between the pilots union and the airline came in February 1999, when hundreds of pilots carried out a sickout to protest American's integration of pilots from a small regional carrier, Reno Air. The airline said the sickout cost it \$225 million in canceled flights.

A federal judge fined the union and its top officers \$45.5 million for disobeying a back-to-work order. The union is appealing the fine.

Asked about any connection between the fine and the contract talks, Overman said the union never asked the airline to drop the fine in exchange for labor peace.

Lockheed, machinists have tentative agreement

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - Striking machinists don't know all the details about the latest contract offer from Lockheed Martin, but those on the picket lines early today are optimistic that they could soon be returning to work.

"Everything we are hearing so far is good, not bad, so we're emotionally high," said W.T. Swanzy, who has worked at the plant for 17 years. "We hope it's viable. We didn't want to strike anyway."

After meeting more than 10 hours with a federal mediator, Lockheed officials and representatives for about 2,500 members of Local 776 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers announced a tentative agreement Monday night. Details of the proposed contract weren't revealed. But talk at the union hall early today — as pickets continued at the Fort Worth plant across the street — was that the new offer includes a \$2,000 ratifica-



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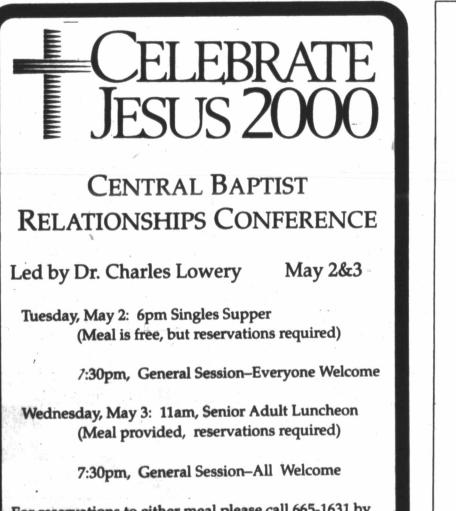
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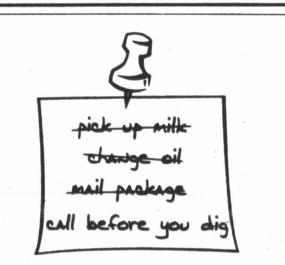
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The seventh grade Pampa Middle School Girls Choir gave a pre-concert performance of music performed it during UIL Concert and Sightreading contest held recently in Amarillo. The choir performed "Jubilate Deo" (Spevacek), "Alleluia" (Revicki) and "Night Song" (Hester). Above are: (top row, left-right) Lindsey Smith, Sasha Garcia, Lucy Hernandez, Melyssa Flaharity, Elizabeth Campbell, Lindsey Ledford, Brittany Davis, Amy Freeman; (third row, I-r) Alisha Dallas, Lindsey Ammons, Sheila Puentes, Megan Scott, Ashley Parker, Carissa Snelgrooes, Holly Winborne; (second row, I-r) Anna Schafer, Rebecca Gindorf, Autumn Schaub, KK Grays, Wendi Miller, Chera Chevado, Diana Resendiz, Darby Snow, Angela Henthorn, Jacklyn Keener; (first row, I-r) LaShonda Parks, Kara Kidd, Brittany Adams, Beth Joiner, Payton Baird, Shantillee Berk, Nichole Dyer, Emilea Greer and Ashlie Stout.



For reservations to either meal please call 665-1631 by Friday, April 28. Further information can be obtained at the the same number.



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And if you ever smell natural gas, leave the area immediately. Don't operate any equipment, don't flip any electrical switches. Simply get away and call NGPL from another location.

Please take the time to call before you dig. Your family will understand if you forget to pick up the milk.

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America A Kinder Morgan Company Emergency Number 1-800-733-2490

Tuesday April 25

Becoming Wiser With Age Is Sometimes a Matter of Degree

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DEAR ABBY: This May, my grandmother, Elizabeth Eichel-baum, will receive her Ph.D. in art therapy from the University of Tennessee. At graduation, she will be 90 years old!

Abby, she received her bachelor's degree at age 69 and her master's at age 81. She has been attending classes the last two years in spite of macular degeneration (she is nearly blind).

Grandmother was separated from her mother when she was a small child in Russia. She lived in the czar's palace during the Russian Revolution, but eventually came to America. Some time after coming to this country, she was reunited with her mother.

Our entire family is extremely proud of her accomplishment, and she is an inspiration to all who know her. If you print this letter, it may inspire others to continue their education no matter what stum-

bling blocks may be in the way. ENNIS J. EICHELBAUM, PLANO, TEXAS

DEAR DENNIS: Your grandmother is an amazing woman, and I admire her determination. My heartfelt congratulations to her for her inspiring accomplishment. Readers, Elizabeth has proved it can be done, so what's stopping you? Go back to school if that is your dream.

Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) *** Neither you nor anyone else can see the forest for the trees. Laugh and stay calm. You will be far more pleased with the results. A friend goes out of his way for you. Attend an important meeting; good news follows. Tonight: Be careful with spending. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

* * You might not be sure what works seen problem A partner or associate best for you, Bosses confuse you, but plays devil's advocate. You don't see a

Abigail Van Buren SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: Would you be willing to inform your readers of the publication of a book of importance to every one of us — Jessica Mit-ford's "The American Way of Death Revisited"? This book, a revised edition of a 1963 version, does a tremendous service in informing Americans about the wretched excesses of the funeral industry, into whose hands we all must ultimately fall. It describes in detail the means employed by that industry to separate us from our money just at a point when, through the sorrow and confusion attendant upon a death in the family, we are least

prepared to think clearly. Mitford's book — which is emi-nently readable — is available in a paperback edition for just \$14. Every family should have access to it. Every minister should read and act upon it. Every retirement home, church and synagogue library should keep a copy available to loan out to its members. Preplanning (but not prepayment!) for funeral needs, based on the sort of informa-tion Ms. Mitford presents, is some-

thing every American family should do as soon as possible. JOHN B. GABEL, DUBLIN, OHIO

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DEAR JOHN: When Jessica Mitford's book, "The American Way of Death," was first printed in 1963, it was a bombshell and remained on the best-seller list for a year. Before it was printed, many grieving families would plunge themselves into debt to pay for lavish funerals they could ill afford because they felt that the amount of money that was spent on their final farewell was an indication of how much they loved the deceased. How absurd!

-After that book was pub-lished, Americans realized they could pay tribute to their loved ones and bury them with low-cost, dignified funerals without experiencing guilt or embarrassment.

Readers looking for a simple and inexpensive funeral should write to the Funeral Consumer's Alliance, P.O. Box 10, Hines-burg, VT 05461. The alliance has been a reliable resource for many years, and I'm pleased to recommend them.

*** For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a busi-ness-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) finances - you could pay dearly for an error. Tonight: Where others are. ** Be especially cautious with finan-LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Others confuse situations more cial matters. Another might think he is

giving you sound information, but somethan usual. Trying to achieve clarity how a fact or two might not be correct. could be frustrating. Deal with authority Avoid risks right now, even for a loved figures. Worry less about coming to conone. Stay solid and anchored. Tonight: clusions or making decisions. A laissez-Spend little. faire attitude works best. Tonight: Defer

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) * * * You see events, conversations and people differently than others see them. * * Your nerves could be fried. Thinking is hazy, and some of this hazi-Schedule a day off soon to recycle. ness is projected onto you. Stay secure in a personal matter, even though all signs from. Take a step back. Connecting with don't look positive presently. Tonight: another at a distance becomes a major Whatever makes you happy.

> PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) * You might be hearing all the words, but you might be interpreting them differently than they were intended. Understand exactly what another means or wants by reiterating his statements. Your instincts and feelings could be right on, but don't act on them yet. Tonight: Curl up with a good book.

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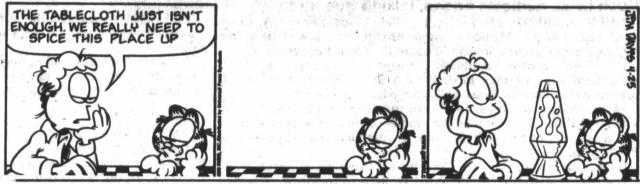


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certainly not intentionally. Others have a difficult time as well. Brainstorm; write down "to-dos." You could easily forget your ideas. Tonight: Escape work as quickly as possible. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Plans change radically, but don't let that concern you. They could change yet again! Write down messages; take notes more frequently. Brainstorm and share ideas with others. Process a strong reaction. Tonight: Get into a favorite fun game.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ** Another means well, but he ultimately muddles things even more. You know what is important to you. Don't let yourself be thrown off. Stay centered on your goals. Use extreme caution with

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Crossword Puzzle

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situation clearly. Take your time: don't feel pressured to make a decision. Write down ideas. Make a to-do list. Tonight: Join a friend for a midweek break. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Understand where another is coming

task. Laugh rather than fret. Tonight:

* * * Taking risks can cause an unfore-

Work through stress at the gym.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

to another.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

* * Tension builds. Others don't make it easy for you. Your sense of humor comes out with a family member. Don't get too enmeshed in a problem. Others try to help, but they are unsuccessful. Let bygones be bygones. Tonight: Cocoon at home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

* * * What you think you say and what another hears are totally different. No one person is the problem. Chaos reigns, especially at work and in daily matters. Getting your work completed takes talent and endurance. Tonight: Join friends for munchies.

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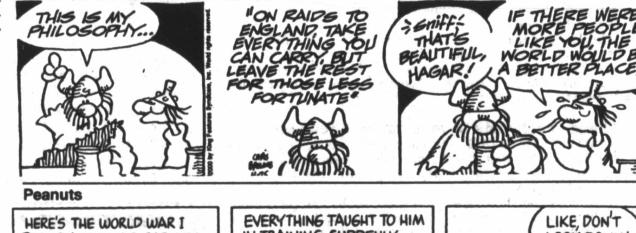
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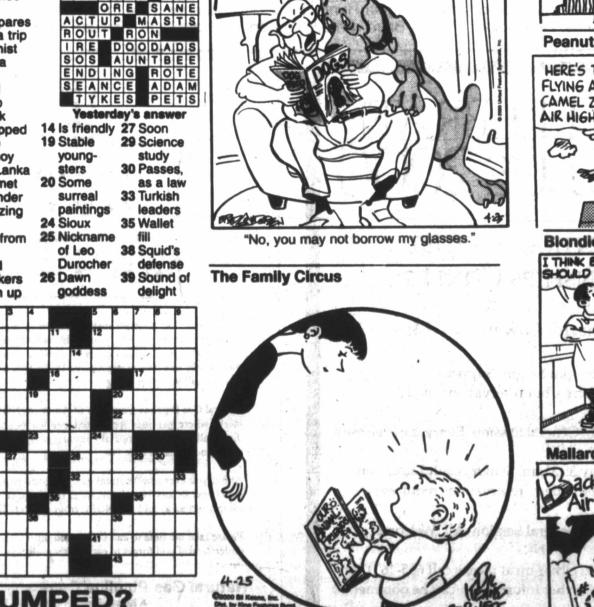
BORN TODAY Actress Carol Burnett (1936), TV journalist Boyd Matson (1947), musician Gary Wright (1943)

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PAMPA — The Lady Harvesters Hoop Camp will be held June 26-30 at Pampa High School's McNeely Fieldhouse.

There will be two sessions. The first session is for third through fifth grade girls from 8 a.m. until 12 noon. The second session is for sixth through eight grade girls from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. The camp will cover

defense, shooting, dribbling, passing, post moves and 3 on

Cost is \$70. There is a \$40 non-refundable deposit.

Sign-up dates are April 26, May 3 and May 4, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in front of McNeely Fieldhouse.

The camp will be under the direction of Pampa High head girls coach Mark Elms.

GOLF

PAMPA — The Pampa Country Club held a Kickoff Scramble Saturday.

Results are as follows: First place: Howard Reed, Tommy Hill, Joyce Swope and Winslow Ellis, 60.

Second place: Kelly Everson, Bill Allison, Floyd Sackett and Gaye Honderich, 62.

Third place: Joe Manzares, Joyce Rasco, Ed Patman and Bill Wade, 63 (scorecard playoff).

Fourth place: Jackie Curtis, Bill Heuston, Dawson Orr and Betty Clemmons, 63.

Fifth place: Neal Hoelting, Rod Gross, Mike Hargus and Debbie Hargus, 63.

GENERAL

AUSTIN (AP) - The double bypass heart surgery was easy. Making Nolan Ryan slow down from now on will be the tough part.

Surgeons who operated on the Hall of Fame pitcher say they expect him to recover

SAN ANGELO - Pampa seniors Emily Waters and Emily Curtis advanced into the semifinals of the Region 1-4A Tennis Tournament with a pair of victories Monday.

Waters and Curtis, the District 3-4A girls doubles champions, dropped only four games in a 6-1, 6-3 victory over Jordan Hardin and Clair Cotton of Snyder to open the tournament.

They continued on to beat Stephanie Swikla and Christina Krivanek of Brewer, 6-3, 6-4. Waters and Curtis didn't lose a set the first two rounds.

Waters and Curtis go against Nancy Chandler and Camille

fourth place

SAN ANGELO — The Pampa

fourth place after first-round

action in the Region 14A Tournament at Riverside Golf

Snyder's 306 leads the way.

Cortnie Allison and Stefanie

Harwood each shot an 83 to lead

the Lady Harvesters. Maggie

Cowan followed with an 84

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Daniel Heuston led the

Harvesters with a 77. Matt

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while Cory Fowler had an 82,

today at Bentwood Country

Hornets win in OT

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) -

91, and Lynnsee Hancock 93.

Granbury is the leader at 282.

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Tennis

regional championship.

In boys' doubles, Pampa juniors Bryce Jordan and Michael Cornelison of Pampa claimed a first-round win over Troy Pavogg and Rene Guerrero of El Paso Burges, 6-0, 6-1. They fell to Matt Kornegay and Michael Copenhaver of Boswell, 6-1, 1-6, 6-3.

The top two finishers in each division earn a spot in the state tournament.

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Campbell of Wichita Falls 1-1A, Miami teammates Kate Groom defeated Yadira Hartley, 6-2, 6-4. He then lost to Maldonado and Ryder in the semifinals. The Peirce and Alice Tharichen Anzaldua and Crystal Diego knocked off Rodriquez, 6-1, 6- Phillips of Memphis, 6-2, 6-2

Plains College.

Pampa's Emilys advance to doubles semis

champion, rolled into the 1, in the quarterfinals. semifinals behind a pair of Groom's Nichole Barnett and including a 6-2, 6-1 decision reached the quarterfinals over Sudan's Tiffany Flowers where they lost to Cassie in the quarterfinals. She Birkenfeld and Sara Schulte of opened with a 6-1, 6-2 win Nazareth, 6-3, 6-3. Barnett and over Julie Poe of Sanderson.

Silverton, 6-3, 6-4, in first- 7-6, 6-3, in the first round. nals.

girls doubles teams into the opening two rounds. regional tournament. Brin

singles semifinals at South round. They fell to Nicole claimed victories over James Johnson and Tharichen, the District 3-1A Rodriguez of Memphis, 6-0, 6- Stephen Bohr beat Jessica Harrison and Peirce beat Dara Johnston of Latisha Nichols of Rotan, 4-6,

round action. She won over In boys' singles, Curt Smith Holly Moore over Fort Davis, of Fort Elliott and John 6-1, 4-6, 6-1, in the guarterfi- Dauselt of Lefors both earned spots in the semifinals with Groom advanced a pair of straight-set victories in the

Smith opened with a 6-2, 6-4 LEVELLAND - In Region Burgin and Lauren Crowell of win over Franz Quandt of 6-3 in the first round. They winners advance to the each earned spots in the girls' of Hart, 6-2, 6-2, in the first 1, in the quarterfinals. Dauselt in the quarterfinals.

Sophia Swan of Paducah, 6-0, 6-0 and Phillips Grandfalls, 6-0, 6-0.

In boys doubles, Nathan straight-set victories - Candace Bohr of Groom also Hefley and Richard Rowe of Fort Elliott took a pair of victories for a spot in the semifinals.

They beat Jason Perez and Trey Perez of Meadow, 7-6, 6-4, in the quarterfinals. In the first-round, Hefley and Rowe downed Vance Chandler and Stephen Ortiz of Valley, 6-4, 6-3.

Cody Bivens and Russell Conrad of Groom defeated Carlos Cruz and Anthony Rodriguez of Sanderson, 6-4,

Loss brings defending champions to reality

Avery Johnson wants the haven't left our best basketball defending NBA champion San on the court in Game 1. It was Antonio Spurs to be down on good enough to win Game 1, themselves tonight. It might but to win Game 2 you have to help them win Game 2 against play better." the Phoenix Suns.

good about ourselves and to play as good."

The Spurs felt good Saturday, and they proved Johnson's the- job is to control his nerves. ory by losing Game 1 72-70 star, guard Jason Kidd.

"I think what has happened was for us to have to win all those games to get the homecourt and then believe too much about how the media has said we are the Goliath and Phoenix, they are the David, Johnson said.

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Kevin Johnson said. "We

The Suns are hoping that "We are a team, historically, Kevin Johnson, who signed on that when we don't feel good March 25 after Kidd suffered a about ourselves, we tend to broken left ankle, will give play better," the Spurs starting them good minutes until Kidd guard said. "But when we feel is ready to play.

Samaki Walker, with only believe we're the favorites and one playoff game in his career, we are invincible, we tend not will try to fill the gap left by Duncan's loss to a torn cartilage in his left knee. His first

"You walk out there see the without injured Tim Duncan, NBA logo, and you know this their leading scorer, while the for real," Walker said. "You Suns prospered without their hear guys talk about it the whole season. But until you experience it, it's something totally different.

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"It's overwhelming. You have to come out and calm yourself down. Some games, you come out and try to work yourself up to get the energy. But in the playoffs, the energy is there.' Suns guard Penny and we just didn't have a good Hardaway said that losing Duncan has forced the Spurs to change. "All the plays they're running for Samaki and Malik Rose are the plays that Tim Duncan's inside presence, would get," Hardaway said. "They can't score like him. They are hussle players and Suns guard Kevin Johnson, they play hard, but his (Duncan's) lack of presence is very noticeable."



PHS girls in

quickly from the emergency procedure they performed Sunday.

Ryan himself is responsible for much of that good fortune. Doctors and family members say the 53-year-old has the body of a much younger man, thanks to daily walks, weightlifting and swimming.

Austin surgeon Mark Felger, who performed the two-hour operation, said Ryan may not drive for two weeks and should do no heavy lifting for two to three months. He can return to his regular work schedule with the Texas League Round Rock Express, which he co-owns, in a couple of weeks.

Reese Ryan, the youngest of Ryan's sons, said Monday it will be hard persuading his father to take it easy.

"I think that is going to be one of his biggest obstacles," Reese Ryan said at a news conference at the Austin Heart Hospital.

Ryan was in stable condition Monday night and was in good spirits, said his eldest son, Reid Ryan.

"He's doing much, much better," Reid Ryan said. "He did get up a little while ago out of bed and walked for the first time down the hall."

Reid said fans told him they could not believe his father had bypass surgery because they thought of him as someone who could cheat time.

"It was almost like someone brought kryptonite t Superman," Reid Ryan said. to

Ryan began feeling ill Sunday morning when he and his wife, Ruth, were in the Austin suburb of Round Rock to watch the Express, a minor league baseball team he owns with Reid Ryan and Houston businessman Don Sanders.

Ryan reported chest pains and breathing trouble as he and his wife strolled through the Dell Diamond, the Express' new \$25 million stadium.

She drove him to the Round Rock Medical Center. Doctors there referred Ryan to the Austin Heart Hospital, where the surgery was performed at 3 p.m.

All Derrick Coleman ever wanted was to play for a contender. Now that he's got his chance, he'll do anything to make it last.

Coleman scored eight of his 29 points in overtime, leading the Charlotte Hornets to a 108-98 victory over the Philadelphia 76ers to tie their playoff series Monday night.

It's the first time in the playoffs in six years for Coleman, who was last in the postseason with New Jersey in 1994.

Senior lineman Cody Shepard of Pampa has been selected to play in the annual Greenbelt Bowl at 7 p.m. June 10 in Childress. The game highlights many of the area's top graduated seniors. Shepard was an all-district player at offensive tackle. He is the son of Mike and Pam Morehead.

Some Marlins to miss game in protest

MIAMI (AP) — Mike Lowell man, leads the club with 19 RBIs outing of the season. has not missed a game this season in 21 games. He is married to a for the Florida Marlins. That's about to change because of a

protest of the Elian Gonzalez case. Lowell and several other Marlins plan to skip tonight's home game against San Francisco. They'll honor a call by local Cuban-Americans for a work stoppage about the way the 6year-old Gonzalez was taken from his great-uncle's home on Saturday.

The Marlins organization gave its OK to front-office workers, players and coaches being absent with pay. The team will close its downtown merchandise store for the day.

Cuban woman and his parentd list Third base coach Fredi

Gonzalez, infield coach Tony Taylor and bullpen Luis Perez also plan to be absent, as does Cuban-American Hall of Famer Tony Perez, an assistant to general manager Dave Dombrowski.

"I agree with it 100 percent," Marlins manager John Boles said. 'The skids were greased when I recommended them to do it. There are more important things in the world than our game with the San Francisco Giants. Not a lot, but said. "I'm making it a point as a this is one of them."

Lowell, the starting third base- hits in 7 2-3 innings, his longest me here (tonight)."

In the only other NL game, New York beat Los Angeles 1-0.

Fernandez struck out three and walked two, but he was more concerned with a 6-year-old boy's welfare than baseball statistics.

"I can't defend, and am very against, what they did and what they're doing," Fernandez said of the U.S. government's role in the Gonzalez case. "It's great that the Marlins did this and they know what a big part of the Cuban community loves the Marlins and supports baseball."

"I wouldn't have pitched," he Cuban-American, and I'm proud Fernandez (3-2) gave up seven to say that. You won't be seeing

"We got sucked up into that effort. They deserved to win Game 1."

The Spurs shot poorly, especially at the free-throw line (12for-21) and they missed allowing the Suns to doubleteam David Robinson.

reviving his career after it seemingly ended two seasons ago, would be satisfied with another game like Saturday's, they are trying to squeeze but he doubts it will happen.

"We'd be better served if there is a resemblance between off games. Game 1 and Game 2, but I think they'll come out and be aggressive and try to move the ball," Kevin Johnson said. "Their "My last NBA game was intensity level will be higher here," Johnson said. "We get 'we are the world champions and we've got to go out and take this ball game.'

The Spurs already are in a hole after losing the first game at home. If they fall behind 2-0. they would have a bigger hill tinue my career right where I to climb. Only 12 teams have survived an 0-2 start to win a best-of-five playoff series.

be the kind of team that you improve with each round,"

The Suns miss Kidd, too. And another postseason out of Johnson, who's been in 97 play-

Johnson played 25 important. calming minutes for the Suns in Game 1.

and they'll remind themselves put out of the playoffs in the first round and I leave the arena on the bus feeling like* the end of my career. Like the Alamo, they got me.

"Two years later, I'm coming back to the same place to conleft off, basically against the same ballclub. It would be great to get out of this first "In the playoffs, you have to round somehow, but it's very pleasing to be returning to San Antonio.'

Rangers defeat Red Sox, Ramon Martinez, 5-4

Texas Rangers survived one get." Martinez brother. Tonight's assignment figures to be a whole lot tougher.

Texas defeated the Boston Red Sox 5-4 Monday night with Ramon Martinez the Red Sox starter.

Martinez, making his first start in nine days because of four straight rainouts, did not get the decision, throwing 88 pitches in four innings before loser Tim Wakefield came on in relief. Martinez allowed two runs and three hits and walked five.

The Rangers viewed Monday night as almost a must-win situation since they must face Ramon's brother, Pedro, tonight. Pedro Martinez. was the unanimous Cy Young Award winner in 1999.

"I'd like to say it's no big deal, but it is," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said of Monday night's victo-

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) - The ry. "This was a nice game for us to drive."

The Rangers won the first game of the three-game series on the strength When he gets to swing the bat, he of Rafael Palmeiro's two homers

and Luis Alicea's tiebreaking single. "It's big," Palmeiro said. "We'll need to scratch for some runs against Pedro. We're going up against the best. He has three great pitches he can throw for strikes, and you don't know what he's going to throw. Hopefully, he can make some mistakes.'

Palmeiro hit a two-run shot in the third inning and added a solo blast in the seventh for the 23rd twohomer game of his career. Palmeiro's 369 homers tie him with Ralph Kiner for 47th on the career list, two behind Gil Hodges.

"I wasn't looking for them," Palmeiro said of the homers. "They just gave me some pitches I was able

Said Rangers manager Oates: "I've seen that many times before. can do a lot of damage.

With two outs in the sixth and the game tied at 2, Mike Lamb singled off Wakefield (1-1), and Royce Clayton walked. Alicea lined a single in front of center fielder Carl nities. Everett, scoring both runners, who were running on the pitch.

Palmeiro's eighth homer and sixth in his last four games against Boston made it 5-2 in the seventh.

Boston rallied in the eighth on Brian Daubach's two-run double off reliever Tim Crabtree, narrowing Texas' lead to 5-4.

The Red Sox played for the first time after getting rained out of a game against Detroit and a threegame series against Cleveland, but

pin the loss on the layoff.

'We have no excuses," Williams said. "We played good, we just got beat 5-4. It's a nine-inning game."

Rangers starter Kenny Rogers (2-3) allowed two runs and six hits in seven innings.

John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his second save in four opportu-

Wetteland hadn't appeared in a game in a week since blowing backto-back save opportunities, and he was anxious to get back to work.

Wakefield gave up two runs and two hits in two innings in relief of Ramon Martinez, who struggled through four innings. Wakefield struck out three and walked two.

The Red Sox had won eight of their previous 10 games. Texas had lost six of its previous seven.

The Rangers took a 2-0 lead in the manager Jimy Williams refused to third off Martinez when Chad

Curtis doubled, stole third and scored ahead of Palmeiro's homer, which broke a string of 23 consecutive scoreless innings by Red Sox pitchers.

"I pitched him inside and missed by a couple of inches," Martinez said. "He's a good hitter. If you make a mistake, you can't get away with it."

Boston tied it at 2 in the fourth when Troy O'Leary singled and Everett followed with his sixth homer.

Notes: Rogers jammed his left elbow diving for a ball in the third inning. He planned to have X-rays today, but Rangers medical personnel don't think the injury is serious. ... Lamb was in the lineup for the second straight game. Lamb made his major league debut Sunday against Minnesota.

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Blue Jays win behind Wells

By BEN WALKER AP Baseball Writer

David Wells proved the Toronto Blue Jays can win with pitching, too.

after a 3-2 win over Oakland. "I love low-scoring games with good defense because that's the side I'm on. Isn't that what they say? Good defense and pitching win ballgames." Toronto's streak of scoring at

least six runs was stopped at 11 for the Angels. games. It was the longest such Indians 6, Mariners 0 string in the majors since the California Angels did it 11 in a row in 1979.

"We're not used to games like this," said Toronto manager Jim Fregosi, who also guided that high-scoring Angels team. "I'd rather have a 12-run game. That way I don't have to think."

In other AL games, Anaheim owned Detroit 10-4, downed Cleveland blanked Seattle 6-0, Chicago beat Baltimore 8-2, Texas defeated Boston 5-4 and Minnesota beat New York 5-3. Wells (3-1) pitched 6 2-3 innings and gave up six hits.

He struck out eight and walked none. The Blue Jays began the night with a 6.90 ERA, worst in the league.

The Athletics lost for the sixth time in seven home games. Manager Art Howe was absent while being treated for flu-like symptoms at a hospital, and bench coach Ken Macha ran the team.

Kevin Appier (3-2) left in the eighth inning with tightness in his right forearm. He's unsure whether he'll be able to make his next scheduled start.

"I'm concerned about it," Appier said. "The muscle spasmed in my forearm. It just grabbed me when I threw a slider. We'll see how it feels (today). That will be the indicator. We're hoping it could just be tightening thing. We're going to monitor it."

Angels 10, Tigers 4

Scott Spiezio homered twice

as Anaheim sent visiting Detroit to its eighth straight

Tigers manager Phil Garner was ejected in the third inning for arguing with third base umpire Fieldin Culbreth. "I'm more of a defensive umpire Fieldin Culbreth. fan," Wells said Monday night Hitting coach Bill Madlock and third base coach Doug Mansolino were tossed in the sixth for arguing with plate umpire Bill Welke.

Mo Vaughn homered, doubled twice and drove in four runs. Tim Salmon also homered

Chuck Finley shut down Seattle on two singles for eight innings and struck out 10.

Cleveland, rained out three straight days at Boston, improved its road record to 8-2, best in the majors. The Indians stopped the Mariners' threegame winning streak. Finley (2-0) walked four in

the first inning without giving up a run. Mike Cameron was thrown out trying to steal, and Jay Buhner flied out with the bases loaded to end the threat. White Sox 8, Orioles 2

Cal Eldred pitched a two-hitter and set down 26 of the last 27 batters as Chicago won its sixth in a row.

Eldred struck out 11 in his first complete game since May 1997, when he beat the White Sox while with Milwaukee.

Baltimore ace Mike Mussina (0-2) remained winless after five starts. He gave up rookie Josh Paul's first major league homer, a three-run shot in the second inning.

Rangers 5, Red Sox 4

Rafael Palmeiro hit two home runs, and Texas beat visiting Boston. The Red Sox played for the first time in five days, having been rained out during the weekend at Fenway Park.

Palmeiro's 369 home runs tie him with Ralph Kiner for 47th place on the career list. It was Palmeiro's 23rd two-homer

game. Twins 7, Yankees 3

Eric Milton won at Yankee Stadium, beating the team that traded him to Minnesota.

Milton, part of the deal that sent Chuck Knoblauch to New York, struck out seven in six innings. The Twins won for the sixth time in seven games.

Left fielder Jacque Jones, who lost a fly ball in the sun that helped the Yankees tie it in the sixth inning, doubled off Roger Clemens (1-2) and scored the go-ahead run in the seventh.

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Neither potential second-round

opponent appeasing to Stars

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas picture. Stars will either face the San Jose Sharks or the Colorado Avalanche in the second round of the Stanley record against both teams during the regular season, but it's not hard to determine which team the Stars would rather face.

7 of the Western Conference guarterfinals between San Jose and St. Louis will determine Dallas' next opponent. The Stars will face San the Avalanche would mean a Jose should the Sharks win. They'll play Colorado if the Blues win.

that beat them four out of six times during the regular season and stretched them to six games in the first round of last year's playoffs.

But should Dallas face San Jose in the second round, it would games during the regular season mean St. Louis, the top seed in the and defeated Phoenix in five Western Conference, is out of the games during the first round.

The Stars then would have the

home-ice advantage for the rest of the Western Conference playoffs. Cup playoffs. Dallas had a losing They also would face a team that nearly blew a 3-1 advantage in the first round.

Colorado had similar success against Dallas, finishing the season 3-1-1 against the Stanley Cup The outcome of Tuesday's Game champions, and battled the Stars to seven games in last year's Western Conference finals.

But a second-round series with much harder road for the Stars. Not only would Dallas have to face In San Jose, the Stars get a team one of the hottest teams in hockey, but the reward for winning that series would be a possible conference final without the home-ice advantage.

Colorado won six of its final 10

Neither opponent seemed to Stars appease coach Ken Hitchcock.

"That will be an interesting challenge to us early in the playoffs," Hitchcock said. "They are different teams, but both are awfully good."

The good news is that the Stars at least will be rested and may even be at full strength.

With the next round expected to start Friday, Dallas will have had a week off after ending a physical five-game series with Edmonton.

Wing Blake Sloan missed Game 5 against the Oilers with a fractured jaw, but was back in practice Monday with two plates in his mouth and is expected to be on the ice for Game 1.

Defenseman Sergei Zubov, who has not played since spraining the medial collateral ligament in his right knee March 29, also was back at practice and could be ready as early as the first game.

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April 23

National Basketball Association ATLANTA HAWKS-Announced the resignation of Lenny Wilkens, coach. DENVER NUGGETS-Announced the sale of the team to Stan Kroenke, pending approval of the league. FOOTBALL

National Football League KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Agreed to terms with CB Wasswa Serwanga on a two-year contract. Signed LB Jonathan Jackson. NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Released WR

Andre Hastings. NEW YORK JETS-Signed T Anthony Bristol, T Anthony Bryd, FS Pedro Cirino, WR Matt Farmer, WR Eric Granger and RB

WR Matt Farmer, WR Eric Granger and RB Vaughn Sanders. SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Signed S Michael Allen, WR Jermaine Arrington, DT James Bruimbaugh, LB London Duntap, RB Jonas Lewis, LB Miguel Merritt, LB Jake Michael, P. Tom Parks, LB Al Rice, LB Brennen Swanson and DL Antonio Williams. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed DB Omar Evans, QB Kevin Feterik, FB Anthony Green, DB Warner Herndon, S Maurice Kelly, LB Mac Morrison and S Yaoher Warren. Mac Morrison and S Yapher Warren. HOCKEY

National Hockey League COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS-Named Jim Connolly director of team computer services, Kimberly Kershaw director of game opera-tions and Michelle LeVeque administrative assistant for corporate development. CULUHADO AVALANCHE-Announced the sale of the team to Stan Kroenke, pending approval of the league. EDMONTON OILERS—Announced the retirement of G Bill Ranford.

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MINNESOTA WILD---Named Thomas Lynn director of hockey administration and legal

What's next for Wilkens? NBA's winningest coach leaves Hawks

coaching change: The list of poten- of play. tial candidates now includes the guy who has more victories than anyone else.

Wilkens resigned Lenny Monday from the Atlanta Hawks after the worst season of his 27year coaching career. But, at age 62, he made it clear he would like to add to his 1,179 victories.

"I still enjoy coaching," Wilkens told The Associated Press from his suburban Seattle home. "I want to take some time off and just see what's out there."

The New Jersey Nets and Los Angeles Clippers are expected to seek new leadership. The Washington Wizards finished the Nelson doesn't plan to return to he departed Atlanta on seemingly the Dallas Mavericks.

seven years. He had a winning ference to announce the decision. record and went to the playoffs in Instead, he was at his offseason each of his first six seasons, but home in the Pacific Northwest for things fell apart quickly after the an extended Easter holiday. team decided to go in a different direction.

Atlanta made a controversial trade for bad boy Isaiah Rider and began the season with seven new lion left on a lucrative contract

those NBA teams pondering a an up-tempo, more exciting style

The result was a 28-54 record the worst for the franchise since it moved to Atlanta in 1968. When Wilkens met after the season with team president Stan Kasten and general manager Pete Babcock, everyone agreed that a coaching change was needed.

"When you're a coach, you become the lightning rod for what happens in the organization," said Babcock, who admitted he deserved much of the blame for the disastrous season. "It doesn't mean it's fair or right, but that's a reality of life."

If Wilkens had balked at stepping down, the whole situation year with an interim coach. Don might have turned ugly. As it was, good terms, although he didn't Wilkens coached the Hawks for attend a Philips Arena news con-

"The Hawks were very good to me," Wilkens insisted. "It's just time to move on."

He had two years and \$10.4 mil-

ATLANTA (AP) — Memo to all a defensive-oriented philosophy to said it would honor the contract until Wilkens finds a new job.

"In a perfect world, Lenny would have been here forever," Kasten said. "But when we sat back and looked at the future of this team, everyone agreed this was the right thing to do."

For the Hawks, who haven't gotten past the second round of the playoffs since moving to Atlanta, there is no turning back from their philosophy of building around young players like Jason Terry and Dion Glover.

"I still believe these were necessary moves to make," Babcock said. "We would have leveled off and started to go downhill. I couldn't allow that to happen."

Atlanta had at least 50 victories in three of Wilkens' first five years, then finished second in the Central in the strike-shortened 1999 season.

The coach never seemed comfortable with trades that took away his longtime backcourt, Steve Smith and Mookie Blaylock. The purge also claimed Tyrone Corbin and Grant Long, blue-collar veterans who helped maintain order in the locker room.

"Everybody knew it was a risk.

said. "It just didn't work out." Rider seemed to be the primary

reason for the Hawks' collapse. He didn't show for the first day of training camp, skipped a team flight and was constantly late for practice and games. Finally, after two suspensions and the threat of another, he was waived with 18 games left.

'I don't blame J.R. Rider. I don't blame Lenny Wilkens," Babcock said. "I don't think there's any one individual who's responsible for our record."

Kasten said he has no plans to shake up the front office, leaving Babcock as the GM despite some questionable moves over the past decade.

The players were supportive of Wilkens.

"Lenny didn't make all the decisions here, all the changes," All-Star center Dikembe Mutombo said late in the season. "All he could do was coach who was brought here."

But the organization wasn't happy that Wilkens waited until March 6 to start Terry at point guard instead of journeyman Bimbo Coles. Glover and another first-round pick, Cal Bowdler, didplayers, attempting to switch from extension signed in 1997. The team We all understood that," Wilkens n't get any meaningful playing

time until late in the season.

"We're looking for energy. We looking for someone who can provide specific direction. We're looking for someone who is committed Mike Jarvis of St. John's; NBA to player development. We're looking for someone who can relate to Seattle and Byron Scott of the players," Babcock said.

Among those mentioned as potential candidates are college coaches Tubby Smith of Kentucky, Bob Huggins of Cincinnati and assistants Nate McMillan of Sacramento.

Denver teams are sold

DENVER (AP) — The Nuggets probably won't ever be No. 1 in the hearts of Denver fans. Under their new owner, they aren't likely to be a stepchild, either.

Stan Kroenke, a real estate feveloper and heir to the Wal-Mart fortune, is a passionate basketball fan. His son plays for the University of Missouri, and Kroenke said his longtime goal had been to own an NBA team. "Basketball is his first love," said Marc Ganis, a close friend and president of an investment banking firm that specializes in sports teams.

"He lately is interested in hockey, too, but the fans are going to have a man who is absolutely committed to putting winning basketball team on patient with the Nuggets.

the court," Ganis said.

Although the Nuggets improved substantially this season, a year ago they were the laughingstock of the NBA.

Denver finished 35-47, its best

owner who has deep enough pockets to deal with this shortterm dip in the teams' financial conditions," Ganis said.

Kroenke, speaking at a news conference announcing his purchase of the Nuggets, Colorado Avalanche and Pepsi Center from Liberty Media Corp., made clear he was prepared to be

record since 1995-96 - the year after Dikembe Mutombo led the Nuggets to their last playoff appearance. They won their last four. "It's very important to have an



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Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum to officially open east door entrance

To promote the opening of the east door, the public is invited to share in a full day of activities. At 10 a.m., museum officials will unveil the Charles Goodnight statue at its new location outside the museum on the east lawn.

CANYON - On Saturday, April 29, the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will officially open the east door of the building as the main entrance. Because of the renovation now in the progress at the museum, all other entrances will be closed until the summer of 2001, when the renovation is complete. At that time, the museum will reopen the south and north entrance.

To promote the opening of the east door, the public is invited to share in a full day of activities. At 10 a.m., museum officials will unveil the Charles Goodnight statue at its new location outstatue was completed in 1980 for Mesa Petroleum. It was donated to the museum in 1984 and has been exhibited inside the museum since that time.

Members of the PPHM Society Board of Trustees will be cooking hotdogs with all the trimmings from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. The hotdogs will be free to the public, and free Cokes will also be available.

Admission will be free all day on Saturday to promote the event. In the Museum Store, Dr. Fred Rathjen will be autographing his book "The Texas Panhandle Frontier" from 1-3 p.m. and free autographed posters will be given away from 2-4 p.m. The public is invited to come join in the celebra-

tion and see what is happening at the museum. The east entrance has taken on a whole new look with a face-lift and the moving of the Museum Store to that location.

Artifacts from Pioneer Hall, Indian Hall and Ranching Hall have been moved to other locations within the museum. Most of the items from those areas have been relocated in the Special Exhibits areas on the lower level.

Also on exhibit are:

-"The Cow, The Plow, The Sow, and The Hen: Agriculture in the Texas Panhandle," with pho-tographs, artifacts and other media describing the history of agriculture in the Texas Panhandle;

-"Glitter, Glamour and Glitz: Texas Pageant and Festival Gowns," featuring gowns worn in the Fiesta San Antonio Coronation, Corpus Christi **Buccaneer Days Coronation, Texas Rose Festival**

in Tyler and the Waco Cotton Palace Pageant; —"Renovating Yesterday ... Building Tomorrow," which tells the rich history and future Building plans for the museum through blue prints, models and photos; —"Panhandle-Plains Invitational," a contempo-

side the museum on the east lawn. The bronze rary Western art exhibit depicting the American West through paintings and sculpture. "We are looking forward to the completion this

renovation process and the opening of our new exhibit 'People of the Plains: Experiments in Living,' in the summer of 2001. Included in the renovation plans is the transformation of Pioneer Hall into a friendly and informative orientation space that will serve as the introduction to the Museum itself and a gateway to the history of the Panhandle region. This 'Renovation for the Next Generation' is exciting and will offer visitors a totally new experience," stated Museum Director Walt Davis.

Come to the museum for free admission, free hotdogs, free cokes and a free autographed poster. The museum is located at 2401 4th Avenue in Canyon on the campus of West Texas A&M University.



The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will officially open the east door of the building as the main entrance April 29. To promote the opening of the east door, museum officials will unveil the Charles Goodnight statue at its new location. Artist Grant Speed is shown here working on the original Charles Goodnight sculpture. (ca. 1980)

~ Business Review



Phelps Plumbing, Heating, and Air-conditioning

The small plumbing, heating, and air condition- who is a pre-med student at Texas Tech University. neon-sign, but it does have a cactus gardent, at TTU. Visitors to Phelps Plumbing, Heating, and Air Heidi also runs her n Conditioning notice not just shelves of top-name Reflections Antique Store. parts, but a garden of cactus plants that sits basking in the sun in the front window. And a cat, that is,

that has earned its own sign — "Cat bites." "I tell people the cat bites," Co-owner Heidi Phelps said, "I finally just made a sign." Heidi and husband Steve run the business. Steve Phelps has had the S. Cuyler store since 1982. He has 25 years experience in the plumbing, heating, and air conditioning business, Heidi said, and he is a member of Refrigeration Service Engineering Society, which is a continuing education society. Steve and Heidi were married in 1995; Heidi was working at a competing plumbing business in Pampa. They met through a salesman. Together, Steve and Heidi have six children:

ing business at 522 S. Cuyler may not have a fancy And Brent Phelps, who is majoring in engineering

Heidi also runs her next-door business Past

"I run back and forth," Heidi said. Some people don't know all that Phelps does, Heidi said.

"From Faucets and water heaters, to heating and

(Pampa News photo by Keith Anderson)

Heidi Phelps examines a Delta Faucet. She is standing in front of her cactus garden, a remnant of her New Mexico roots. Heidi said the Phelps store is known for its "Friendly, helpful atmosphere, and experience."

Norine Franco, who now works as a safety supervisor for Poole Roustabout in Denver City, Texas. Shayline Jones, who works as a registered nurse in Abilene. Maxine Watson, who works at M&H Leasing, in Pampa. Irene Shaller, who runs the Pampa beauty salon All About You. Brian Phelps, business," Heidi said.

air conditioning systems installation, we do it all," Heidi said. The store is a retail parts store, as well as a service and installation business.

But Heidi isn't all business. She also serves as the disaster chairperson and board secretary for the Red Cross in Pampa. And when she's not at work or at the Red Cross, she's singing and teaching sun-day school at Briarwood Full Gospel Church.

Ór playing with her grandchildren. She has five grandchildren, "and one on the way," Heidi said.

She said she keeps her daughter Maxine's two children on Thursdays so Maxine can go to kickboxing classes, and on Wednesdays she takes Irene's child to her church.

What does Heidi want Pampa to know? "Just that we appreciate your past and future

