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Caseworker wants siblings removed

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas Child Protective Services caseworker says the mother of a Dallas toddler who climbed out of the window of their moving car to her death "likely" knew the child had fallen from the car but continued driving home.

"It seems implausible that a mother would not notice a healthy active 3-year-old moving about the car to the point that she is ejected from the vehicle," caseworker Alejandra Torres-Muchnick said in an affidavit seeking to remove the two living children of Norma Suarez and James Estrada.

- Linda Hope Lemons George, 60, retired office manager at Crow Hollow Cattle Feeders.
- Lucy M. Goldston, 84, homemaker.
- Ted L. McCavit, 83, father of a Pampa resident.
- Exa Faye Hutton Penman, 86, retired English teacher.

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Grand jurors indict driver in fatal crash

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

A 45-year-old Pampa man remains free on bond today after a Gray County grand jury indicted him on charges of criminally negligent homicide in the death this summer of a Letors resident.

The grand jury met Tuesday and handed up the indictment, as well as five others, to 223rd District Judge Lee Waters.

Thomas Randall "Randy" Townsend, 45, 641 N. Wells, was charged with criminally negligent homicide in connection with the death of Alan Bruce Garrett of Letors. According to Texas Department of Public Safety reports, Garrett died about 10:45 p.m., June 29, after being struck by a 1997 Ford XL 150 pickup driven by Townsend on FM 2375, a narrow farm-to-market road, one mile west of Letors.

DPS reports state that Garrett was standing on the side of the road, trying to start his motorcycle when the collision occurred. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Townsend was arrested by Gray County Sheriff's deputies after the indictment was issued and released on \$10,000 bond.

Michael Anthony Moreno remained in Gray County jail today in lieu of two bonds totaling \$1 million after he was indicted in connection with assaults on his father and girlfriend.

Moreno, 27, 345 Miami, was true billed by a Gray County grand jury.

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Bait shop worker slain; officers seek suspects

Investigators are searching for suspects in the slaying of a 41-year-old woman found in the rural Moore County bait shop where she worked.

Mary Kelsay was found dead Monday by a fellow employee of the Ross's Roost bait store. Kelsay was shot once in the head.

The store is at Sneed Camp just over the Hutchinson County line on the road to Blue West, a popular recreation area at Lake Meredith.

Investigators said they believe she was shot shortly before she was found about 3:30 p.m., said Texas Ranger Jay Foster.

Authorities are also trying to sort out a motive in the crime. It had not been determined if any merchandise or money has been taken from the store. Officials also saw no signs of struggle inside the shop and no weapon was found, Foster said.

After finding the body, the employee called Gregg Haight, a neighbor who tends two sections of land behind the bait store.

"When I first went in there, I was just hoping that she was all right," Haight said. "I hollered at her, but she wasn't moving. Then I saw the blood and backed out of there and called the authorities."

Shop patrons and neighbors characterized Kelsay as a kind woman who wouldn't likely have any enemies.

"She was a woman of God. She was an angel to me," Haight said.

"Everyone around here loved her because she was such a giving person. She never had much, but it didn't bother her. She would give everything she had to anyone who needed it."

True bills handed up in beatings, theft of horses.



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Della Moyer with her granddaughter, 14-month-old Kyra Moyer, petting Barney, Kyra's favorite.

Donkey love ...

Della Moyer hadn't planned to raise donkeys. It just happened.

Moyer, who lives south of Pampa, says a friend of hers lost a mare during foaling. Her friend wanted to find another animal to keep the foal company, so Moyer and her friend went looking for a donkey.

"We found some down at McLean," Moyer said.

She told the man she would buy his donkeys, but in the meantime Moyer's friend found a goat and bought it to



keep the young foal company.

"I'd already told the man at McLean I'd take the donkeys," Moyer said.

True to her word, she bought the donkeys and now has four along with her horses at her rural Gray County home.

"Originally, they were cattle protection," Moyer said, explaining that ranchers would turn them out with their cattle to protect against predators. "They keep the dogs and coyotes out of my pastures."

Oct. 10 voter registration deadline

Gray County residents who are not registered voters must register soon to be qualified to vote in the Nov. 7 presidential election. The deadline is 5 p.m. on Oct. 10.

Registration is in the Gray County Tax Assessor/Collector's office on the first floor of the courthouse.

Registration time is extended as the statutory deadline falls on Sunday, Oct. 8, and Monday, Oct. 9, is Columbus Day, a national holiday.

Registered voters who have had residency changes within the community, county and state should contact the tax collector's office before Oct.

10 to verify they are registered in the correct precinct in order to vote on election day.

On the national level, Republican Texas Governor George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore are vying for the U.S. presidency in Election 2000. U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Clarendon, is being challenged by Curtis Clinesmith, a Denton Democrat, as he seeks reelection.

Locally, Gray County voters along with Lipscomb, Hemphill, Wheeler and Roberts counties will elect a new district attorney. Contenders in the race are Republican Rick Roach and Democrat Charles Kessie.

Drug sting has Tulia residents, NAACP upset

By PAM EASTON
Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — Tulia residents and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held a rally Tuesday evening to protest a controversial 1999 drug bust that sent 40 black residents of the small farming community to jail.

It was held in the wake of last week's federal lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union which claimed that civil rights violations, conspiracy and discrimination were "part of a deliberate plan, scheme and policy of targeting members of the African-American community of Swisher County, Texas."

The lawsuit claims the bust was a way of "removing them (blacks) from the area using the

"Sixteen percent of the black population was arrested in one operation," said the Rev. Charles Kiker, a white retired minister living in Tulia.

legal system." In all, 43 were arrested in the drug bust. According to the NAACP, 40 of those arrested were black and three others had close ties to the town's tight-knit black community of less than 250.

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(Special photo by Herb Smith)

Pregnancy Support Center of Pampa board members meet with Kenny McCaughey, father of the McCaughey septuplets, after he spoke at the center's annual banquet Tuesday night. Board President Pat Farmer reported a "wonderful turnout" with more than 300 attending the event in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium. From left, Jan Hucks, Treasurer Connie Molitor, Secretary Julie Watson, President Pat Farmer, Dwight Brown, Pam Zemanek and Center Executive Director Monica Galloway. Kenny McCaughey is seated.



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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

GOLDSTON, Lucy M. — 10 a.m., Memphis Funeral Home Chapel, Memphis.

Obituaries

LINDA HOPE LEMONS GEORGE

AMARILLO — Linda Hope Lemons George, 60, mother of a Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2000. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. today in Citizens Cemetery at Clarendon with Ken Cargle of Amarillo officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Ms. George was born Aug. 15, 1940, at Clarendon and had been a lifelong Clarendon resident, moving to Amarillo 10 months ago. She was office manager at Crow Hollow Cattle Feeders near Hedley prior to retiring due to illness.

She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church of Amarillo.

Survivors include three daughters, Jackie Pierce of Pampa, Chris De Luna of Amarillo and Carol Miller of Canyon; a son, Carl George of Hereford; a sister, Johnnie Potts of Amarillo; and six grandchildren.

LUCY M. GOLDSTON

MEMPHIS — Lucy M. Goldston, 84, died Monday, Oct. 2, 2000, at Lubbock. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Memphis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Neely Landrum and Tom Posey officiating. Burial will be in Alaneed Cemetery at Alaneed.

Mrs. Goldston was born at Sadler and moved to Memphis nine years ago. She married Lavern T. Goldston in 1935 at Clarendon.

She was a homemaker and a member of Alaneed Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lavern.

Survivors include a daughter, Sharon Ann Wilson of Dalhart; five sons, Jimmy Don Goldston of Memphis, Fred Carroll Goldston of Lubbock, Jerry Mac Goldston of Azle, Richard Thomas "Bill" Goldston of St. Petersburg, Fla., and John Homer Goldston of Hurst; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors from 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral home in Memphis and requests memorials be to Alaneed Cemetery Fund, Alaneed, TX 79002.

TED L. McCAVIT

GONZALES — Ted L. McCavit, 83, father of a Pampa resident, died Monday, Oct. 2, 2000. Services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Methodist Church with the Rev. Jay Brown officiating. Burial will be in Farmer Cemetery at Farmer, Ohio. Arrangements are under the direction of Buttington Funeral Home.

Mr. McCavit was born May 3, 1917, at Farmer, Defiance, Ohio, to the late George McCavit and Mabel Gipe. He married Myra Perry McCavit on Nov. 24, 1937. He managed Harrell Cattle Company for 35 years and belonged to Elks Lodge. He was a past member of Noon Lions Club and was a former EMS volunteer.

He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Myra; two sons, Jack McCavit of Pampa and Jim McCavit of Amarillo; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Methodist Church of Gonzales or to Gonzales EMS.

EXA FAYE HUTTON PENMAN

LAKE CHARLES, La. — Exa Faye Hutton Penman, 86, died Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2000. Memorial services will be at 9 a.m., Saturday, in the Church of Christ at Knox City, Texas, with Gene McCarty and family members officiating. Private burial will be in Truscott Cemetery under the direction of Johnson Funeral Home of Lake Charles.

A native of West Texas, Mrs. Penman recently moved to Lake Charles. She taught English for 40 years, mostly in Pampa.

Survivors include three stepchildren, Ray Penman of Knox City, Julia Kaylor of Fort Worth and Belva Gruden of Arlington; a sister, Sudia Cash of Lake Charles; a niece, Mildred Cook of Monday; and a nephew, Dr. Joe Cash of Lake Charles.

The family requests memorials be to McNeese Foundation or to a favorite charity.

Police report

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

Tuesday, Oct. 3

Beri Dewitt Fallon, 41, 2236 Charles was arrested for driving while intoxicated - second offense and assault on the elderly/ disabled.

Helen Kirby Adair, 71, 605 Jupiter, was arrested for public intoxication.

Eric Herrera, 23, 329 Miami, was arrested for burglary of a habitation.

An assault of the elderly and a driving while intoxicated report was taken in the 2200 block of Charles.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 2400 block of Fir. Someone entered the passenger door of a 1987 Toyota and took \$133 in cash.

Theft of a scooter, valued at \$75, was reported in the 1100 block of Darby.

Sheriff's Office

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

Tuesday, Oct. 3

Ronnie Bruce Jones, 32, 637 N. Wells, was arrested on a warrant for assault causing bodily injury.

Thomas R. Townsend, 45, 641 N. Wells, on a grand jury indictment for criminal negligent homicide.

Ambulance

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

Tuesday, Oct. 3

7:12 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

Fires

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

Tuesday, Oct. 3

2:06 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a call for service in the 1000 block of Twiford.

3:29 p.m. - Two units and six firefighters responded to a grass fire in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

3:55 p.m. - Two units and five firefighters responded to a grass fire on Price Road.

5:07 p.m. - One unit and four firefighters responded to a fire in a wood pile in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

Correction

The name of Donald Farrar was misspelled in an article about the Pampa Sonic's recent gift to the local Special Olympics program. We regret any inconvenience this error may have caused.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atchafalaya Grain of Pampa:			
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		Tenneco	5
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BP Amoco	52 3/4	up 5/8	
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Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	1-800-750-2520
Water	669-5830

Report: Firefighting problems during blaze that killed six

WORCESTER, Mass. (AP) — Two of the six firefighters killed in a warehouse fire started by a homeless couple had rushed into the abandoned building without notifying their commanders, a government safety panel said Wednesday.

A report on the Dec. 3 fire, issued by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, also said bad radio communications hampered firefighters' efforts.

Two of the firefighters became lost in the burning warehouse while looking for homeless people they thought might be inside. Four more firefighters went in to find them, and they all died.

It was the worst loss of life among firefighters in a building fire in America in more than 20 years. President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore joined 40,000 mourners at the memorial service.

Manslaughter charges were filed against the homeless couple who started the blaze when they knocked over a candle during a fight. But a judge dropped the charges last month.

The safety panel did not say identify the two firefighters who entered the building without telling commanders, but it said they were among the six who died.

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Its report also said firefighters were confused about the layout of the six-story warehouse because of poor inspection and planning before the fire.

In a series of safety recommendations, the safety panel said vacant buildings should be carefully checked with warning signs of specific dangers posted at entrances, called for more elaborate planning to manage personnel at fire scenes, and urged use of a special safety commander when necessary.

State Fire Marshal Stephen Coan would not comment on the report. However, he noted that the state Legislature in July created a \$10 million safety grant program to buy additional safety equipment for fire departments.

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GRAND JURY

jury Tuesday on aggravated assault charges in connection with a Sept. 13 attack on his father, Porfirio Huerta "J.R." Moreno, 56, and his live-in girlfriend, Stephanie Nunley, 26.

In the indictment, the younger Moreno was charged with aggravated assault - second degree for striking Nunley "about the head and face with a board." A \$500,000 bond was set on this charge.

A separate indictment for injury to a disabled individual alleged that Moreno had injured Porfirio Moreno by "striking (him) on the head with a brick." Bond was set at \$500,000 on this charge.

According to Pampa Police Department records, officers were called to 918 N. Gray in connection with a domestic disturbance. Police officers took Michael Moreno into custody after they found the elder Moreno suffering from head injuries.

Acting on information they learned at the Gray Street residence, officer went to the home at 345 Miami and discovered the badly-beaten and bleeding Nunley lying in the shower.

The critically injured Nunley was airlifted to an

Amarillo hospital. The older Moreno was also admitted to an Amarillo hospital for treatment of his injuries. A medical fund for Nunley, who family members say will have to undergo a number of surgeries, has been set up at a local bank.

Grand jurors also indicted Michael Moreno on a charge of aggravated assault causing bodily injury in connection with an incident on Aug. 4. According to the indictment, Moreno allegedly bit Mark Lynn Morrison on the cheek. Police reports state that approximately one-inch of skin was bitten off during the altercation in the 700 block of Denver. Bond on this charge was set at \$10,000.

Marshall Clayton Johnson, 35, 1441 Charles, was indicted Tuesday on an aggravated assault charge - second degree for "knowingly and recklessly causing serious bodily injury to George Glen Eggleston with a stick" on June 8. Eggleston, 34, was critically injured in the afternoon attack at his home on South Wells, according to police reports. A \$10,000 bond was set on the assault charge.

Christopher Lyn Dehls, 22, 713 Locust, was indicted on charges of theft of livestock. The charge stems from the theft of 10 horses, valued at less than \$20,000, from Lewis Cates on March 1, 1999. Bond for Dehls was set at \$1,500.

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TULIA

Kiker, a white retired minister living in Tulia, which is located about halfway between Lubbock and Amarillo.

The lawsuit was filed on behalf of Yul Bryant, who had a charge of delivering cocaine dismissed when undercover officer Tom Coleman told District Attorney Terry McEachern he wasn't 100 percent sure he had purchased cocaine from Bryant.

Bryant spent seven months in jail. His lawsuit names Coleman, McEachern, Sheriff Larry Stewart and Swisher County as defendants.

Billy Wafer, who was among those charged, claims he had never met Coleman until the night he was arrested.

Wafer said a theft and abuse of power charge filed against the undercover officer in May 1998 gave Coleman a motive to arrest people who weren't selling cocaine. Wafer said crack is the drug of choice on Tulia streets, not cocaine, which carries a stiffer punishment.

The charge against Coleman was dismissed about eight months into his investigation when he paid \$6,950 in retribution to Cochran County.

Coleman, who continues to stand by his investigation, said the controversy is nothing more than

people who were caught red-handed trying to deflect from their own misdeeds.

But Coleman's own questionable past has led to additional questions and theories about the bust.

Some opposed to the bust claim Coleman had a stake in charging as many people as he could.

Coleman served as the state's primary witness against the defendants who requested jury trials. State District Judge Jack Miller did not allow any of the allegations against Coleman into evidence.

Defense attorneys contend the trial were one-sided and that Coleman continuously perjured himself while on the stand.

"We've heard the legal side, we've heard the emotional side, but there are some facts that can't be disputed," said Ernest Barringer, vice president of the NAACP chapter in Amarillo. "Crack is the drug of choice among blacks, but it was powder cocaine sold in little old Tulia Texas. To deal cocaine it takes capital and after going to Tulia, I can tell you, it ain't there."

Swisher County District Attorney Terry McEachern said he supported the 11 guilty verdicts and 17 guilty pleas.

Amarillo resident Mamie Mallory heard about the drug bust for the first time Tuesday night. "You can tell there is a lot of prejudice in that little town," she said.

Woman guilty of manslaughter in 'road rage' shooting death

COLUMBIANA, Ala. (AP) — A woman was convicted of manslaughter rather than murder for shooting a motorist she had been tailgating during a road-rage confrontation.

Shirley Henson, 40, could receive anything from probation to 20 years in prison for the Nov. 8 shooting death of Gena Foster, a 34-year-old mother of three, on an interstate exit ramp.

Henson, who was convicted Tuesday, could have been sentenced to life in prison had the jury found her guilty of murder.

Prosecutors said Henson had been tailgating Foster for up to six miles in a rush to get home to see her dogs at the end of the workday. An agitated Foster, who would not let Henson pass, finally stopped her car on an exit ramp. She went to the window of Henson's sports utility vehicle, and was fatally shot in the face.

Henson said she shot Foster because she feared for her life. Prosecutors said Henson could have simply driven away if she was afraid.

"(Henson) was mad. She wanted to get home and she wanted that woman out of her way," assistant

district attorney Randy Hillman said. "She chose to keep involving herself in this situation until it went bad. And then she freaks out and shoots the woman in the face."

Defense lawyer David Cromwell Johnson argued that Foster was entirely to blame. He portrayed the victim as a drug-addled wild woman who refused to let Henson pass and then tried to kill her on the ramp.

Henson frowned as the jury foreman read the verdict but showed no other emotion. Her husband, Mike Henson, sat behind her with a hand to his face.

Foster's mother, Patricia Newell, said Henson has never expressed any remorse and should go to prison.

"In the United States we've got to do something about road rage. We've got to stop it," Newell said, her eyes reddened.

Shelby County Circuit Judge Al Crawson refused a prosecution request to double Henson's bond to \$100,000, ruling there was no risk of her fleeing if she remained free.

City Briefs

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Mostly cloudy today with a high of 80-85 and northeast winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain and a low of 60 with-with winds shifting to the northeast after midnight at 15-25 mph. Thursday, cloudy, colder and blustery with an early high in the mid 60s then temperatures will fall into the 50s and winds still be from the northeast at 15-25. Another heat record was set Tuesday when it reached 99; the overnight low was 57.

STATEWIDE — Texans face a cold and possibly wet end to the week, with a strong front poised to move into the state and remnants of a hurricane reorganizing in the Gulf of Mexico.

Light fog shrouded parts of South Texas on Wednesday, with cloudy skies along the eastern edge of the Hill Country and over the Piney Woods of Southeast Texas.

Early-morning readings ranged from the 60s to 80s, except for 50s in the Marfa Plateau.

It was 65 degrees at Houston's Intercontinental Airport and 77 at Rockport and Galveston.

Warm and humid conditions prevailed, with south to southeast winds at 5 to 15 mph, gusting to 20 mph behind the front.

The cold front was expected to pass through North Texas on

Thursday night, with frigid air arriving Friday behind the system.

A weaker cool front stretched early Wednesday across the South Plains, shifting winds to the north.

But until its arrival, highs in the 90s were expected through Wednesday, except for 80s along the Gulf of Mexico.

Isolated showers could develop along the coast. After the strong cold front arrives, a chance of rain and possible thunderstorms increases.

Overnight lows should be in the mid-60s to 70s, with 50s in the southwestern mountains.

Winds will be southeast at 15 to 20 mph.

The Pampa News welcomes your news items and photographs.

Calendar of events

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM

The White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) visiting hours are Tuesday-Sunday, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. There will be history of the White Deer Land Co., and the early area settlers and outstanding arrowhead collection and art gallery. Elevator.

CLARENDON COLLEGE

Clarendon College-Pampa Center will offer GED testing on the fourth Monday and Tuesday of each month. Registration will be at 9 a.m. each day. Cost will be \$45 including a \$20 deposit. For more information, call 665-8801.

LAS PAMPA WATER GARDEN AND KOI SOCIETY

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

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is changing its hours. It is now open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A, in Pampa. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle.

HIGH PLAINS EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION

High Plains Epilepsy Association of Amarillo, funded in part by Pampa United Way, will have a licensed social worker in Pampa from 9:30-12 noon the second Tuesday of each month at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The program assists people with epilepsy and their families. To make an appointment, contact the Amarillo office at 1-800-806-7236.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

Lovett Memorial Library will sponsor a pre-school story hour at 10 a.m. every Tuesday this fall beginning Sept. 5. The free program is open to children 18 months to 5 years of age and will include stories, crafts and other activities. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

GED TESTING

Clarendon College-Pampa Center conducts GED testing the fourth Monday and Tuesday of every month except for May and June. Test dates for these two months are May 22 and 23 and June 19 and 20. Those taking the full test must attend both days. Preregistration is required. For more information, call Jana Wesson-Martin at 665-8801.

THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler, will be accepting Christmas applications from 9 a.m.-12 noon and from 1-3 p.m., Oct. 9-13. Applications must include: Picture ID; birth certificates for each child in the household; Social Security cards for each individual in the household; and proof of income (pay check stub, award letters) and expense. For more information, call 665-7233.

BSA FALL VOLUNTEER TRAINING

BSA Hospice Pampa will present its Fall Volunteer Training and Community Education Class from 6-9 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, Sept. 11-Oct. 12, at Clarendon College, 1601 W. Kentucky. This comprehensive class is designed for adults who are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, want to learn more about hospice care or desire personal growth and enrichment. This program is offered free of charge to the Pampa, Borger and surrounding communities and continuing education unit's will be awarded by CC. For more information or to pre-register, call Janet McCracken, volunteer coordinator, BSA Hospice Pampa, at (806) 665-6677.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The local Alzheimer's Support Group will conduct a four-part series this fall. The series will kick-off Sept. 7 with Dr. Bruce Harrow presenting an overview of the disease. Topics will include: Communication and Activities of Daily Living, Oct. 5; and Community Resources and Caregiving Planning, Nov. 2. The series will conclude Dec. 7 with a panel discussion. The group meets regularly at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest. For more information, call Dauna Wilkinson, 665-0356.

SHOW PIG SALE

Frank Phillips College Agriculture Department will host its annual Show Pig Sale at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5 in the Agriculture and Welding Technology Building on the FPC campus in Borger. For more information, call Buddy Curry at (806) 274-5311, 1-800-687-2056, ext. 790 or (806) 273-8693.

HOSPICE OPEN HOUSE

BSA Hospice Open House will be from 1-3 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 8 at BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner. The open house is in celebration of the 20th anniversary of BSA Hospice. Participants must RSVP by Sept. 29 by calling 665-6677.

ERICK GARAGE SALE

Erick Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a City-Wide Garage Sale Saturday, Oct. 7. A listing of all garage sales will be available at C&K and Puckett's Grocery Friday, Oct. 6.

ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL

Wesley United Methodist Church will host its 20th Annual Festival of Arts and Crafts from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Dec. 2 in the Community Center in Hereford. A limited number of booths are currently available for a \$10 rental fee. Applications may be obtained by writing: Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford, TX 79045 or by calling (806) 364-0774.

MEDIATION TRAINING

The Conflict Resolution Training Institute, a partnership between South Plains Association of Governments' Dispute Resolution Center and Division of Outreach and Extended Studies at Texas Tech University, will sponsor a 40-hour Basic Mediation training Oct. 2-6 at Ruidoso, N.M. To pre-register, contact the Dispute Resolution Center

at (806) 762-8721 or 1-800-858-1809. Cost of the course is \$695. If individuals are unable to attend after registering, a refund less a \$20 processing fee, will be given if the request is received one week prior to the program. The course is approved with various professional groups for continuing education units.

IRISH CRAFTFEST

Shamrock's Irish Craftfest is slated Oct. 7 and 8. Booths are available for \$30 a piece plus an additional fee if electricity is required. Santa will be present and booths will include everything from candles and Christmas decorations to baked items and much more. For more information, call Shamrock Chamber of Commerce, (806) 256-2501.

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). 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 clinics will be offered: 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4:30 p.m., Oct. 4 and 18, Pampa Family Clinic, 700 W. Kentucky.

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FREE BOOKLET

The Free Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C., is offering a new booklet, "The 100 Most Popular Government Giveaway Programs," to consumers nationwide. To obtain a copy of the booklet, send \$5 to cover cost of printing, postage and handling to: Free Enterprise Institute, 100 Government Giveaways, Dept. 100GG-0816, P.O. Box 96071, Washington, D.C. 20090-6071. For more information, call (202) 595-1031 or visit www.FreeEnterpriseInstitute.org on the Internet.

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AnimalPrints.com has dedicated \$1 from each sale of a newly released series of artist's prints to benefit animals in need. For more information or to view the prints, go to AnimalPrints.com on the Internet.

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The Butterfly Garden Club of America is offering free butterfly garden seeds (with growing instructions). To receive a packet, send a long SASE with two stamps to: The Butterfly Garden Club of America, P.O. Box 629, Burgin, KY 40310. Limit one free packet per household. Additional packets are available for \$1 each.

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published "Free Money - Winning the Government Giveaway Game," a booklet which offers information concerning free money, free advice and free services from the government. Consumers may receive a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing and postage/handling to: Free Enterprise Institute, Government Giveaway Booklet Offer, Dept. GGB-407-1, P.O. Box 96071, Washington, DC 20090-6071 or at www.FreeEnterpriseInstitute.org on the World Wide Web.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance - College Bound is an organization with a listing of over 700 different private scholarship sources for college students. Many scholarships pay the entire tuition; other can be applied towards tuition, living expenses and/or other fees. Most scholarships can be used at junior colleges, career and vocational schools, 4-year colleges, graduate schools, medical and law schools. For more information, send a SASE (business size, #10) to: The U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance, P.O. Box 668, O'Fallon, IL 62269.

T.O.P.S. #149

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

T.O.P.S. #41

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

AL-ANON

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

VFW CHARITY BINGO

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS

The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at 822 E. Foster. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. This week we are discussing the negative symptoms of paranoid schizophrenia. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

MONTHLY GOSPEL SINGING

First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, hosts a Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. every second Sunday of the month. Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation of First Pentecostal cordially invites the public to attend. Singers and musicians from area churches participate in this informal congregational singing and enjoy various special vocal and instrumental presentations.

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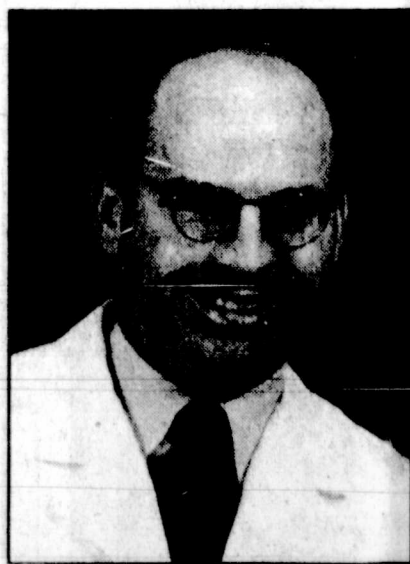
Judge Don E. Cain recently made a donation to Pampa United Way in the amount of \$500. "The United Way does good work," said Cain, a longtime supporter of the local UW.

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PHS Choir recently traveled to Borger to compete for All-District Choir. Above: Meredith Hendricks, Brianna Bailey, Ashley Kiper, Ashlee Hunt, Celeste Stowers, Sammie Parsley, Shelby McGahen, Jessica Burns, Joanna Wheeley, Michael Martinez, Josh Gibson, Mike Eskridge, Alan Arzola, Nathanael Hill, Cory Bigham and Aaron Fernuik.

PHS Choir participates in All-District competition

In auditions recently at Borger High School, 17 PHS Choir members earned places in All-District Choir. This is the first in a series of auditions leading to placement in All-State Choir.

Students making the All-District Choir are: first sopranos Meredith Hendricks,

Brianna Bailey, and Ashley Kiper (alternate); second soprano Ashlee Hunt; first altos Celeste Stowers, Sammie Parsley, Shelby McGahen (alternate), and Jessica Burns (alternate); second alto, Joanna Wheeley; first tenors Ryan Davis and Michael Martinez; second tenor Josh

Gibson; first basses Mike Eskridge, Alan Arzola, and Nathanael Hill (alternate); and second basses Cory Bigham and Aaron Fernuik.

The students will advance to All-Region competition Oct. 29 at Caprock High School in Amarillo.

South Texas sheriff admits guilt on theft and drug charges

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Frio County sheriff has pleaded guilty to felony theft and drug charges after allegedly pocketing thousands of dollars confiscated during a 1994 traffic stop and later trying to sell marijuana to replace the missing money.

In a San Antonio federal court-

room on Tuesday, Sheriff Carl Burris said he took \$7,726 confiscated during the traffic stop and tried selling about 262 pounds of seized marijuana in order to replace the missing money in 1997.

Burris faces a minimum penalty of five years in prison for conspiring to

distribute marijuana and stealing from a federally funded government.

His conviction will not be final until his sentencing, which has not been scheduled.

In Wednesday's editions of the San Antonio Express-News, the 53-year-old Burris said he would with-

draw as a candidate for re-election but would not resign before his term ends on Jan. 1, 2001.

"I've been in law enforcement most of my life," he said. "When you make a mistake, you need to stand up, 'fess up to it and let the law take its course."

Budget work drags on in Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is lauding an \$18.8 billion Interior Department spending bill that would establish a historic land conservation program and which continues a pattern of providing more money than he asked for.

The Senate planned to consider the measure Wednesday, a day after the House offered its bipartisan blessing in a 348-69 vote.

Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., was holding up the measure in an effort to assure more conservation funds for coastal and other states. But the bill seemed likely to become the third of the 13 spending bills for fiscal 2001, which started Sunday, to get Clinton's signature.

"This agreement is a major step toward ensuring communities the resources they need to protect their most precious lands — from neighborhood parks to threatened farmland to pristine coastal areas," Clinton said in a written statement.

The Interior measure was at least \$3 billion larger than earlier House and Senate versions of the bill, and \$2.5 billion more than Clinton sought.

That means each of the five bills that have been sent to Clinton or are ready for congressional action are costlier than the president's requests by a total of \$10.2 billion.

The figure spotlights the leverage Clinton has over Republican leaders, who want to avoid a federal shutdown, complete Congress' budget work and send lawmakers home for the Nov. 7 presidential and congressional elections. It also illustrates how huge federal surpluses have loosened spending constraints.

"I gag on them," Senate Majority Whip Don Nickles, R-Okla., said of the extra spending in the bills. But he said he planned to vote for the measures because, "We need to get our work done."

Meanwhile, with a measure that has kept agencies open for the first six days of fiscal 2001 about to expire, the House voted 415-1 to extend that through Oct. 14. Its approval by the Senate and signa-

ture by Clinton is considered certain.

White House and Capitol Hill bargainers shook hands on a \$58 billion transportation bill that would create a national drunken driving standard. They also continued trying to close deals on an even larger measure for veterans, housing, environmental and science programs and a separate agriculture bill.

The Interior measure's popularity was due partly to the new land program. It would set aside \$1.6 billion this year — more than double last year's total — and up to \$12 billion over the next six years for buying federal, state and local park lands, maintaining existing parks, wildlife protection and other initiatives.

Opponents included conservatives, who said people might be forced to sell land to the government, as well as liberals, who argued the measure was too timid. In May, the House approved a 15-year version of the measure that guaranteed that \$45 billion would be spent for conservation, but that bill stalled in the Senate.

The Interior measure also provided \$105 million for the often-controversial National Endowment for the Arts — a \$7 million boost that was the agency's first significant budget increase since Republicans took over Congress in 1995.

The Interior bill also included \$348 million for the Internal Revenue Service, counterterrorism and other programs that Clinton was seeking. That money is aimed at allowing Senate passage, and Clinton's approval, of a separate \$33 billion bill financing the Treasury Department and Congress' own operations.

The transportation bill, which Congress hopes to approve this week with Clinton's support, follows the same pattern. Its \$58 billion exceeded Clinton's request by \$3.3 billion and was larger than what the House and Senate initially approved.

Opponents say Carnivore review won't be independent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Critics of the FBI's "Carnivore" e-mail surveillance system say the independent reviewers picked by the Justice Department to examine the program are government insiders.

The Illinois Institute of Technology's Research Institute and the college's law school were chosen to undertake the review, meant to give an outside examination of the FBI's controversial tool. But several members of the research team have ties to the federal government and to the Clinton administration.

"This Department of Justice proposal has confirmed my fears," said House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, a long-time Carnivore critic. "This important issue deserves a truly independent review, not a whitewash."

IIT's Chicago-Kent College of Law Dean Henry H. Perritt Jr. said that despite his government connections, he is an "evenhanded" and "objective" academic, and the Justice Department defended their choice, calling the IIT team "well-respected."

The Justice Department released IIT's proposal on the Internet, with some names and phrases blacked out. But within hours, private computer experts easily removed the black boxes covering some words and published an unedited version.

The proposal lists Perritt as one of the project overseers, noting his tenure advising President Clinton's transition team on information policy and performing other tasks for the Clinton administration, as well as previous Republican administrations.

Associate Dean Harold J. Krent worked at the Justice Department in the 1980s, and several team members have current or former security clearances from the Defense Department, Treasury Department or the National Security Agency.

Perritt defended himself and his team, saying he worked in the Ford administration as well, and that he's completely independent.

"My interest is in my reputation," Perritt said, "and that would only be served by doing an honest job here."

Perritt also cited Krent's work outside the government as a private attorney.

"He's spent more time suing the Justice Department than working for it," he said.



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Bush, Gore reflect on debate showing

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

BOSTON (AP) — "Feeling pretty good" after the first presidential debate, George W. Bush stuck with his tax-cut theme Wednesday, saying Al Gore's performance proved he would be "the biggest government spender we've seen in decades."

"It is clear that the era of big government being over will be over if he becomes the president," Bush said before leaving town to campaign in West Chester, Pa., and Ohio. Bush said he wanted taxpayers, not government, to spend more of their own money.

Before also heading to Ohio, Gore rejected Bush's repeated accusations that he was using "fuzzy math" to describe the Texas governor's tax plan. On CBS' "Early Show," Gore repeated his assertion that almost half of the money in Bush's tax cuts would go to the wealthiest 1 percent of Americans, and urged voters to "add up the numbers for themselves."

Asked whether he could dispute Gore's numbers, Bush told ABC's "Good Morning America": "I think what people have got to understand is wealthy people pay a lot of taxes today and if everybody gets tax relief, wealthy people are going to get tax relief."

During the debate, Bush challenged Gore's character and credibility, and Gore countered by saying he wanted to focus on the country's problems, not attacks.

But both contestants tried it both ways, dueling on issues and also on personal performance and qualifications Tuesday night in the first of three debates that could prove crucial in their virtually even match for the White House.

Bush told CBS he benefitted from "being on the stage with a man who has had the reputation as a very strong debater, and being able to hold my own."

The Bush campaign complained Wednesday that Gore exaggerated when he described visiting the site of Texas fires with Federal Emergency Management Agency chief James Lee Witt.

Wednesday, Gore acknowledged his Texas visit might not have been at the same time as Witt's, but said he had toured many disasters with him.

After their running mates debate Thursday in Danville, Ky., Bush and Gore meet again Oct. 11 in Winston-Salem, N.C., followed by a third debate Oct. 17 in St. Louis. Their first 90-minute confrontation set lines that may be drawn even more harshly when they meet again.

In three out of four quick network public opinion polls, Gore was rated the better debater. In a CBS News poll, 56 percent said he'd done better, 42 percent said Bush. A CNN-USA Today-Gallup survey made it Gore, 48-41, and NBC's poll said Gore, 46-36. An ABC poll rated them about even.

A group of five high school and college debate coaches assembled by The Associated Press couldn't agree on a winner. Four picked Gore; one picked Bush.

Bush hardened the tone in the closing minutes when moderator Jim Lehrer asked about character. Bush said he was discouraged by the vice president's conduct and comments about Democratic fund raising for the 1996 campaign, then targeted President Clinton without using his name, or mentioning his scandal and impeachment.

"I felt there needed to be a better sense of responsibility of what was going on in the White House," he said. "I believe they've moved the sign the buck stops here from the Oval Office desk to the buck stops here at the Lincoln Bedroom."

"We need to have a new look about how we conduct ourselves in office," he said.

"I think we ought to attack our country's problems, not attack each other," Gore responded. "I want to spend my time making this country better than it is, not making you out to be a bad person."

Running mate Joseph Lieberman defended Gore. "At moments of desperation, Governor Bush turns back and attacks President Clinton and his name is not on the ballot," Lieberman told CNN after the debate.

Clinton, in Miami, praised Gore's performance. But he also said Bush might gain a bounce in the nearly deadlocked public opinion polls in the next few days, although he said it would fade when the campaign refocuses on issues.

Gore delivered his own post-debate assessment at a midnight rally at a Boston hotel. "This election is not about me, it's not about George W. Bush," he said. "It's really about you. It's about the next generation."

Bush addressed supporters at a South Boston skating rink. "Man, am I glad I came to Boston," he said.

He came with the goal of showing presidential stature and his Republican cheerleaders said he had succeeded. He avoided the kind of verbal stumbles that have sometimes been a problem.

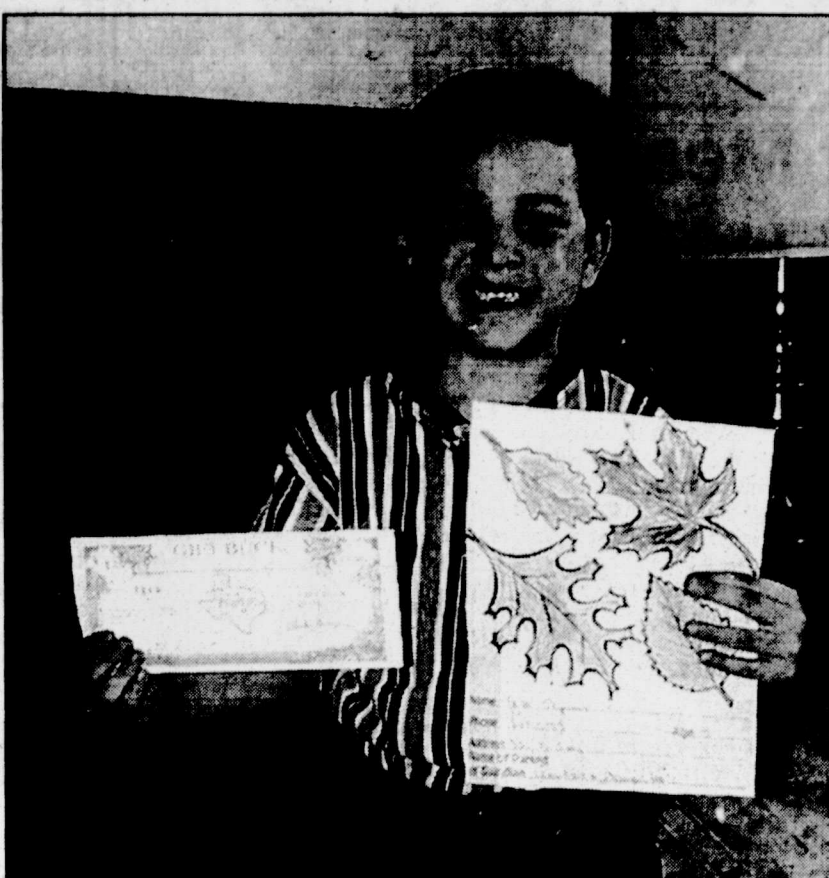
Gore, the more seasoned debater, hammered at his chosen issues but avoided the attack tactics he has used against other rivals. Bush took his character offensive after more than an hour of fencing about policy issues.

They argued about Medicare and prescription drug benefits for the elderly, disputed formulas for the future of Social Security, and clashed over taxes. They sharply debated abortion, Bush repeating that he was disappointed at the Food and Drug Administration's approval of an abortion pill, but saying he wouldn't have presidential power to reverse it. Gore supported the FDA ruling, said Bush appointees to the Supreme Court would threaten abortion rights, and said he'd guard them.

"I trust women to make the decisions that affect their lives, their destinies and their bodies," he said.

Overall, the tax issue seemed to be Gore's chosen message. Bush countered that Gore favors tax breaks only for specific purposes, to be chosen, he said, by big government. He said 50 million taxpayers wouldn't get any cut from Gore, while everyone would be covered by his plan for \$1.3 trillion in tax cuts over 10 years.

Coloring contest winners



Tyler Shiply (left) won first place in the recent Pampa News coloring contest and he received \$50 in Pampa Bucks for his effort. Taking second, and winning #25 in Pampa Bucks, was Alyssa Seitz.

Debate watchers assess candidates

WASHINGTON (AP) — Debate watchers gave Democrat Al Gore the edge over Republican George W. Bush in three of four instant polls, but both candidates apparently improved their image with voters.

Vice President Gore was judged to have performed better in the debates in a CBS News poll of 812 registered voters by 56 percent to 42 percent for the Texas governor. Gore was seen to have performed better by 48 percent to 41 percent for Bush in a CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll of 435 registered voters who watched the debate. In an NBC News instant poll, 46 percent said Gore did the better job, while 36 percent said Bush fared better.

And the two were ranked about even in an ABC News poll — women favored Gore,

while men favored Bush.

One measure that may have helped Bush: A third in the CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll had a better impression of him after the debate, while a fourth had a better impression of Gore.

The ABC News poll of 491 registered voters showed no significant change in candidate preference. They were about evenly split before the debate, 48 percent for Bush and 45 percent for Gore, and the numbers barely budged.

The CBS poll, conducted online among a random sample of viewers who were given WebTV to participate, showed that Bush still has to convince more voters that he has adequately prepared for the job of president. Just over half, 54 percent, said he has ade-

quately prepared for the job compared with 70 percent who said that of Gore. That's about the same results the two got on that question in a regular CBS-New York Times poll released Monday.

The polls had error margins of 4 percentage points, but they are not considered a measure of settled public opinion. They are measures of instant, emotional reaction that don't always hold up over time.

Public opinion about debates can take several days to develop, based on discussions among friends and co-workers, news coverage and further consideration by the viewer of what was seen and heard. And true public opinion includes the effects of such debates on all voters, not just debate watchers.

Conservative legal foundation chief charged with indecency

ATLANTA (AP) — The leader of a conservative legal foundation seeking to have President Clinton disbarred was charged with public indecency.

An undercover federal officer said he saw Matthew J. Glavin fondling himself on May 17 on a trail in the Chattahoochee National River Park in Gwinnett County, just east of Atlanta. The officer said Glavin also fondled him after the two started talking.

Glavin, 47, president and chief executive of the Atlanta-based Southeastern Legal Foundation, denied the charges. He was in

U.S. District Court in connection with the case on Tuesday but did not enter a plea because his hearing was rescheduled.

The foundation, which Glavin has led since 1994, has fought to abolish Atlanta's affirmative action program and sued to have Clinton disbarred for lying under oath in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case.

On the Net:
Southeastern Legal Foundation: <http://www.southeasternlegal.org>

Boom in Texas power plant construction

HOUSTON (AP) — Amid state deregulation of electrical utilities, a power plant construction boom is under way across Texas.

The 24 plants now under construction will boost Texas' total generating capacity by 13,817 megawatts, enough extra electricity to power Houston and Austin, according to the Texas Journal of The Wall Street Journal.

Most new plants will be fueled by natural gas and financed by independent power producers competing to be the first into a deregulated Texas marketplace.

The boom follows a decade with virtually no construction of new electric generation capacity.

The new plants represent a \$10 billion investment, said Sen. David Sibley, an architect of the 1999 deregulation bill.

"It's unbelievable," Sibley told the newspaper in Wednesday's editions. "It exceeded my expectations."

Other companies have also announced plans for plants providing another 17,129 megawatts, but industry observers believe only half of that will be built in the next five years.

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Getting Old Doesn't Mean Losing Your Sense of Humor

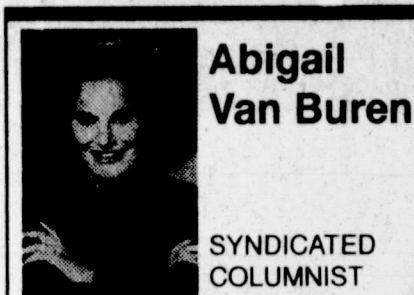
DEAR ABBY: You have printed some "You know you are getting older when" letters recently. I recall that you had a piece or two in your column on the same topic some years ago, and that they were very amusing. How about printing them again?

JOSEPHINE MULLIGAN
FROM MONTANA

DEAR JOSEPHINE: What a memory! Yes, that topic appeared in the column 10 years ago. Read on:

YOU KNOW YOU'RE GETTING OLDER WHEN ...

- You know all the answers but nobody asks you any questions.
- You get winded playing checkers.
- You need a fire permit to light all of your birthday candles and you need oxygen after blowing them out.
- You order Geritol on the rocks.
- You sink your teeth into a thick steak and they stay there.
- You stop to think and sometimes forget to start again.
- You don't need an alarm clock to get up with the chickens.
- Your pacemaker opens the garage door whenever a cute gal goes by.
- The only whistles you get are from a tea kettle.
- A fortune-teller wants to read your face.
- You finally get it all together, but can't remember where you put it.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

— You pray for a good prune-juice harvest.

Fortunately, today's seniors are more fit and youthful than ever before, so these may no longer be true. Read on:

- Everything hurts. And what doesn't hurt, doesn't work.
- You feel like the morning after, and you haven't been anywhere.
- Your little black book contains only names ending with M.D.
- You look forward to a dull evening.
- You join a health club and never go.
- You need your glasses to find your glasses.
- You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going.
- Your knees buckle, but your belt won't.
- You have too much room in the house, and not enough in the medicine chest.
- YOU WONDER WHY MORE PEOPLE DON'T USE THIS SIZE PRINT.

Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I get a kick out of the items you occasionally print about how you can tell when you're getting old. I think this is a good one: You know you're getting old when you bend down to pick something off the floor, and before you straighten up you ask yourself, "Is there anything else I can do while I'm down here?"

LESS LIMBER IN
FALLBROOK, CALIF.

DEAR LESS LIMBER: Thanks for the chuckle. People over 40 will identify with it — once they straighten up.

DEAR ABBY: Your entertaining messages about "You know you're getting older when ..." remind me of one that recently brought me to a sudden reality: You know you're getting older when you introduce your son to someone as, "My son, the grandfather!"

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THURSDAY, OCT. 5, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

***** You could feel ill at ease with what you have to do professionally. You know what another wants, but delivering it might be different. Discuss your feelings with a trusted associate or partner. Ask for more of what you want. Money plays a role in a decision. Tonight: Be a role model.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** You might want to do other things than work, but you have little choice, so network, make calls and do research. A partner gives you valuable information that helps you make a decision and head in the right direction. Tonight: Enjoy a favorite piece of music.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Work with others and deal with finances. Let others express their ideas as you explore solutions. Go with conservative thinking. Allowing others to be part of this decision proves to be good for you. Think about what you expect. Tonight: Get together with your best friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Others have a lot to share. You break past previous restrictions and reach out for others. Remain direct with loved ones who might want you to do something for them. Express what you

feel is a liability or a problem. Don't swallow your feelings. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Don't allow a misunderstanding to pressure you into doing something you don't want to do. A family member makes your path easier. Put extra effort into your work. Add a personal touch to your working environment. Stop and buy doughnuts on the way in. Tonight: Work late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Talk with a child or loved one about what is on your mind. Examine your long-term desires. Touch base with those who make a difference in your life. A check-in call means more than you realize. Don't put yourself in a financial crunch. Avoid unnecessary risks. Tonight: Play.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Listen to another's gripes, even if you don't agree. A family member sometimes proves to be demanding, but ultimately this person is worth it. Make an effort to make another feel comfortable with you. Stop and buy a special item that will add to your home life. Tonight: At home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Your smile makes another happy. Don't push someone away who cares a lot about you. Let others know how you feel. Curb your imagination as well as another's through direct communication. Tonight: Your treat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Think about all the effort you put forth. Discuss directions and honor a change of pace. A friend might not agree with a financial choice. Recognize that it

is your money, and take control. Check out potential problems that might be worrying you. Another doesn't see things the same way as you. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Pressure to make a must appearance might leave you uptight. Network and touch base with friends and associates. Others seek you out and want your opinion. Streamline work, with a focus on what you must accomplish. A friendship could be developing into more. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Step back and don't get drawn into a wild idea. On some level, this idea might appeal to you. Take time, later, to explore the pros and cons. A boss or higher-up helps you out of a bind. You work better with this person than with most. Tonight: Curl up with a book.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Aim for what you want. Another could frustrate you by not grasping your logic. Keep focused on the goal and not the immediate. Network and touch base with others. You have a unique way of understanding others. Let your compassion come out. Tonight: Where your friends are.

BORN TODAY

Actor Walter Matthau (1920), composer Bob Geldof (1954), basketball player Grant Hill (1972)

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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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The Family Circus



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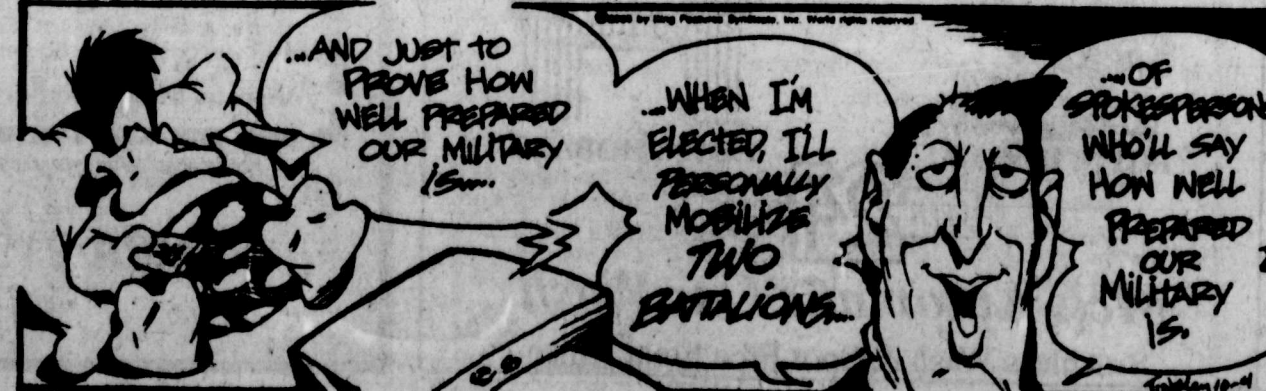
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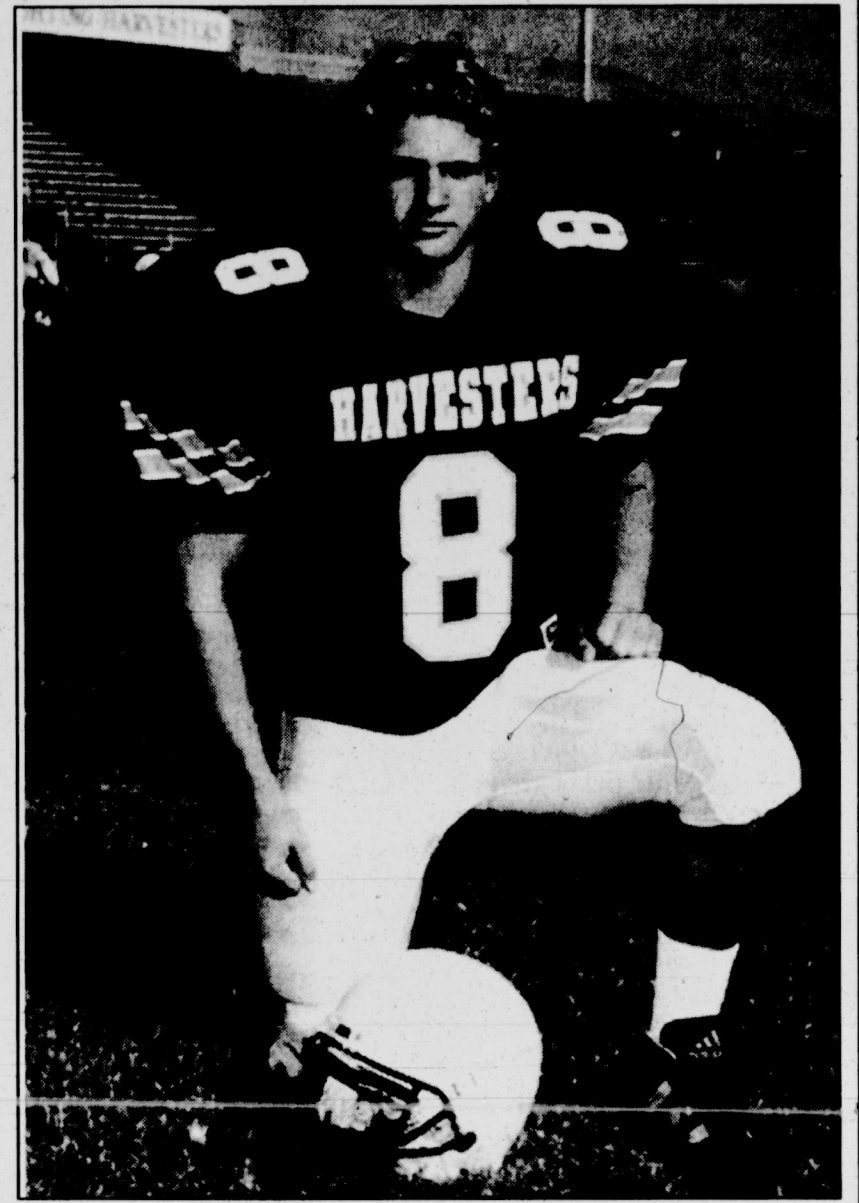
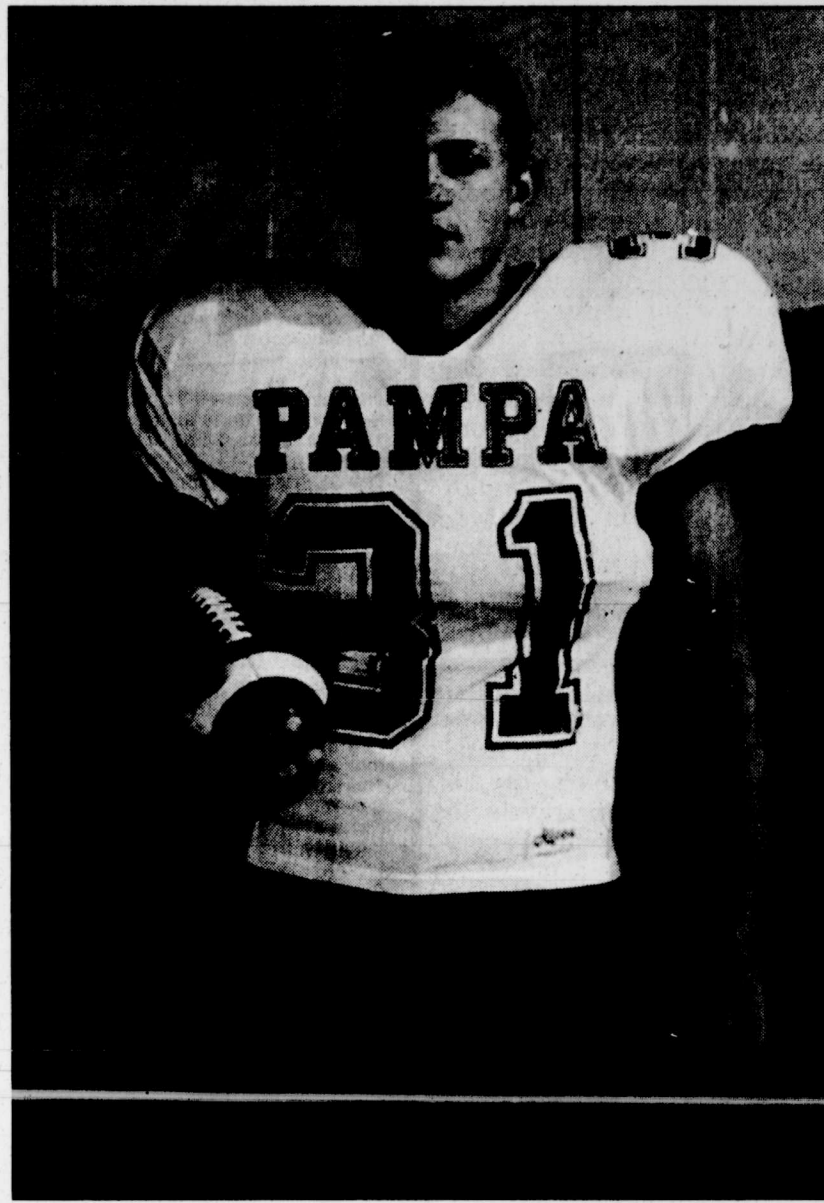
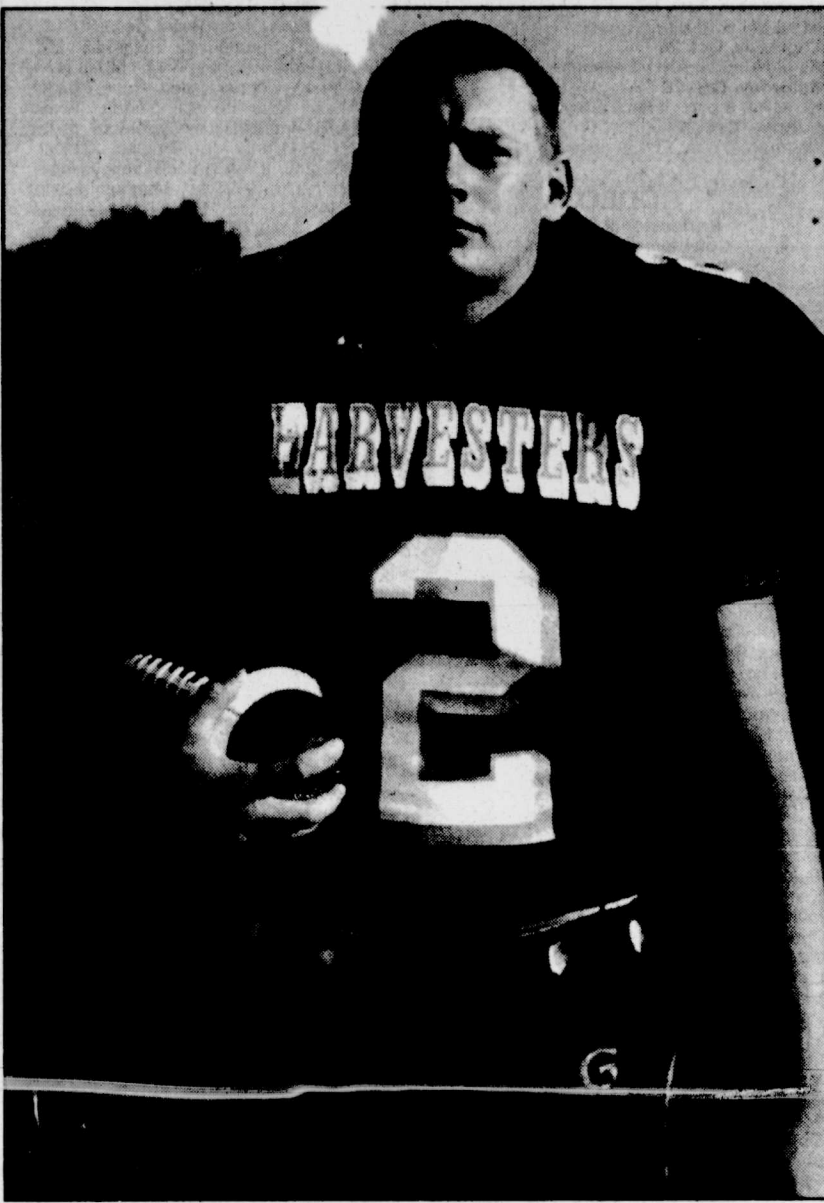


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SPORTS

Players of the Week.....



Selected as Players of the Week by the Pampa coaching staff are (l-r) varsity middle linebacker Jason Burklow (parents, Randy and Jacque Burklow); junior varsity full-back-middle linebacker Justin Waggoner (parents, Lou and David Waggoner); freshmen quarterback-strongside linebacker Andrew Curtis (parents, Joe and Gayle Curtis).

PHS netters shut out Hereford, run District 3-4A record to perfect 9-0

PAMPA — Pampa, Class 4A's eighth-ranked team, increased its district record to 9-0 by defeating Hereford 19-0 yesterday at the Harvester tennis courts.

"It was our most dominant performance of the year," said coach Carolyn Quarles. "This is Beat Hereford Week. We wanted to do our part and then have our football team finish it by beating Hereford on Friday night."

Players of the Week are Ashley Stucki and Brittany Kindle, who played one of their best matches of the season in No. 1 girls doubles, according to coach Quarles.

Pampa hosts Dumas at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Pampa 19, Hereford 0

Boys Singles

Michael Cornelison def. Clay Cosby 6-0, 6-1.
Bryce Jordan def. Justin Kerr 6-0, 6-0.
A.J. Smith def. Seth Laing 6-0, 6-0.
Jay Gerber, won by default.

Britton White, won by default.

Girls Singles

Brittany Kindle def. Ivory Isaacson 6-1, 6-1.
Michelle Lee def. Rebecca Fry 6-1, 6-2.
Stacie Carter def. Danielle Pesina 6-1, 6-1.
Ashlei Jordan def. Dona Estrada 6-0, 6-0.
Tara Jordan def. Carla Smith 6-0, 6-1.
Helen Brooks def. Whitney Goforth 6-0, 6-1.
Abby Bradley def. Rebecca Artho 6-0, 6-3.

Boys Doubles

Cornelison-Jordan def. Cosby Laing 6-0, 6-0.
Smith-Gerber def. Kerr-Stengel 6-0, 6-0.
Thacker-Nelson, won by default.

Girls Doubles

Kindle-Stucki def. Isaacson-Estrada 6-2, 6-3.
Lee-Jordan def. Fry Pesina 6-3, 6-3.
Bradley-Jordan def. Smith-Goforth 6-0, 6-0.

Mixed Doubles

Brooks-White, won by default.



Pampa senior Michael Cornelison has perfect 16-0 record in singles and doubles this fall.

Sports Notebook

GOLF

The Pampa girls' golf team shot a 402 to take second place in a tournament at Plainview last weekend.

Annie Sims led the Lady Harvesters with 92, followed by Courtney Locknane 96, Michelle Haley 107, Megan Shannon 107 and Molly Crossman 108.

Pampa boys hosted a tournament at the Pampa Country Club and placed fourth with a 316.

Anthony Tiedt led Pampa with a 75. Daniel Heuston and Ryan Black each shot 79 while Eric Wade had an 83 and Craig Stout 85.

In other golf news, Pampa won the traveling trophy away from Borger this fall, beating the Bulldogs 13-10 in a Ryder Cup format.

FOOTBALL

Pampa shut out Valleyview 19-0 in 8th grade football action earlier this week.

Shea Brown and Tyler Dougherty each scored a touchdown on 3-yard runs. Pampa's other touchdown came when Janssen Eillenberger recovered a fumble in the end zone on a kickoff. Seth Foster had a conversion run.

Led by Tyrell Bolin, Jacob Potter, Britten East, Michael Peregson and Dustin Langley, Pampa came out with several big defensive plays.

Pampa also won the B team game

10-0.

The only touchdown came on a 58-yard punt return by Cameron Seger. Adam Brown kicked a 24-yard field goal and an extra point.

John Meza, Cameron Seger, Dusty Lenderman and Jared Winegeart made some outstanding defensive plays.

The next games are Oct. 10 when Pampa hosts Borger. The B game begins at 5 p.m.

Pampa battled Westover to a scoreless tie in 7th grade football action Monday night.

Pampa's outstanding players were Dylan Henley and Eric Kingcade on defense; Colby Scott and Chris Jimenez on offense.

Pampa's record is 0-2-1. Pampa beat Westover 8-0 in the B team game.

The game's only touchdown came on a 50-yard pass from Trevor Day to Nick Robbins. Day ran the conversion.

Pampa's outstanding players were Tyson Williams and Miles Winton on offense; Jarred Moler, Trent Magers and Cody Ellis on defense.

Pampa has a 3-0 record.

SOCCER

PAMPA — The Pampa Soccer Association (PSA) will host the 2000 Top O' Texas 4x4 Tournament

Saturday at the South Naida Street complex, located on the west side of the city.

4x4 soccer is comprised of two teams of four players each on a small field without goalies.

"The games are simple, fast and lots of fun for both participants and spectators alike. This annual tournament attracts players from all over the Panhandle," said Kim Peterson of the PSA.

The tournament is scheduled to hold over 200 games over an 11-hour period, 8:30 a.m. to sunset, with 107 registered teams.

The size of the tournament, held to a maximum rate of 14 games per half hour, is limited only by the number of certified officials available to the referee.

Those interested in participating can call tournament director Jimmy Goode at 665-9432 (office) or 665-8015 (home, after 8 p.m.).

Goode can also be contacted by fax 665-1947 or email: jw69@popampa.com.

RUNNING

CANADIAN — The fourth annual Wildcat Run is set for Oct. 14 at the Jones Pavillon in Canadian.

For more information, contact race chairman Marilyn Smith at 806-323-9701.

Struggle continues for New York Yankees

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — The Oakland Athletics, lacking the payroll and prestige of the New York Yankees, more than matched the two-time defending World Series champions in poise and patience in their playoff opener.

Ramon Hernandez drove in two runs, including a go-ahead double in the sixth inning off Roger Clemens, and the A's defeated the struggling Yankees 5-3 Tuesday night to take a 1-0 lead in the best-of-five AL series.

The Yankees hoped the comfort of the postseason would provide an antidote for their recent struggles. But the bottom of the Oakland lineup simply sent New York deeper into its funk.

The last three hitters in the Oakland lineup went 6-for-11 and scored four runs.

"The bottom of the order beat our brains out," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "I thought they were very patient at the bottom of that lineup and Hernandez had a very good approach, going the other way."

Hernandez, the No. 9 hitter, went 2-for-4 after hitting .241 during the regular season. Both of his hits came off Clemens and went to the opposite field.

"Ramon's our secret weapon at the bottom of the order," A's manager Art Howe said. "You need hitting throughout the order to win. We feel good about him being down there, because there's not an easy touch anywhere in the lineup."

Game 2 is set for Wednesday night at Oakland. Andy Pettitte is scheduled to pitch for the Yankees against Kevin Appier.

In a matchup of near-opposites, a small-market A's club making its first playoff appearance since 1992 was patient enough to outlast Clemens and a mega-rich Yankees club trying to defend its two straight World Series titles.

The Yankees entered the playoffs with a record payroll of \$113.4 million, while the A's ranked 25th in the major leagues with a payroll of \$32.7 million.

But while the A's entered the playoffs having won eight of their last 10 regular-season games to clinch the AL West title, the Yankees stumbled into the postseason with a seven-game losing streak and 15 losses in their final 18 games.

They hoped the postseason would provide a cure — after all, they had won 18 of their previous 19 postseason games heading into this series, and also have a record-matching 12 straight World Series victories.

The slump prompted Yankees owner George Steinbrenner to issue a statement earlier in the day about his team.

"Tired? Yeah, maybe. Struggling? Yeah, maybe. But scared? ... That word ain't even in our vocabulary," he said.

After scoring two runs in the second inning to take their first lead in a week, the Yankees could not hold on against the young A's.

"It was very disappointing, we had the opportunity to get things going, we just couldn't," New York's Bernie Williams said. "It started pretty good, we just couldn't keep scoring, getting more runs. I really didn't think we were OK, but I did think he had something going."

Overpowered for the first four innings, the A's scored four times in the fifth and sixth off a tiring Clemens — he threw 111 pitches in his six innings. Meanwhile, the A's were holding the Yankees to three hits the last seven innings.

"The way Roger was throwing the ball early on, it looked like it might be a long evening for us. The velocity he had was vintage Clemens," Howe said. "But we hung in there."

Gil Heredia, making the first postseason start of his nine-year major league career, allowed three runs on seven hits in six innings for the win.

Jeff Tam and Jim Mecir combined for two scoreless innings of relief, and Jason Isringhausen got three outs for his first postseason save.

Clemens, 3-4 in 13 postseason starts, allowed four runs on seven hits in six innings.

Williams pair at Tech set to rotate

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — For Texas Tech's Shaud Williams and his more well-known friend and teammate, Ricky Williams, it's a question of balance.

Shaud Williams' coach, Mike Leach, wants to make the sophomore running back more visible in Saturday night's game against Baylor.

But Williams wants to make it clear who's "the man" at the 4-1 Red Raiders, in order to keep peace in the backfield.

"(More playing time) sounds good," he told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal in Wednesday's editions. "But no mat-

ter what happens, I think Ricky's the man. He's been an emotional leader on and off the field. Either way it goes, he's the man. I don't think there's anything anybody should be worried about."

But the star running back re-injured the knee this year, suffering a hyperextension against North Texas when a player landed on it.

"Coach just wanted to try something new," said Ricky Williams, the fourth-leading rusher in the nation in 1998 with 143.8 yards per game. "They started it out in the third quarter. At this point, anything to get better is good."

Cards claim NL playoff opener

ST. LOUIS (AP) — It was a wild, wild, wild, wild, wild playoff opener for the St. Louis Cardinals.

The NL Central champions survived epic control problems by rookie starter Rick Ankiel, beat up four-time Cy Young winner Greg Maddux and capitalized on shoddy Atlanta defense in a 7-5 Game 1 playoff victory Tuesday.

"As great as Maddux is, all starting pitchers will tell you that in the first inning they're vulnerable," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said.

That went for the rest of the Braves, who committed two errors in the Cardinals' six-run first and could have had a third on Jim Edmonds' fly ball that dropped between Gold Glove center fielder Andruw Jones and left fielder Reggie Sanders for an RBI single.

"We probably played as bad as you could play, and then nearly ended up winning the game," Braves manager Bobby Cox said.

That was because the early cushion allowed La Russa to leave Ankiel, 21, in the game long enough to become only the second player in major league history to throw five wild pitches in an inning. Ankiel, a surprise choice as Game 1 starter ahead of 20-game winner and Game 2 starter Darryl Kile, also issued four of his six walks in the third as the Braves scored four runs on only two hits.

La Russa shielded Ankiel from the media on Monday, sending Kile to the interview room as a smokescreen while Ankiel escaped. But Ankiel, who has only 35 career starts, didn't think he had a bad case of nerves.

"Something obviously was wrong," he said. "What do you do? Put it behind you and look forward to the next one."

Despite the problems, La Russa didn't hesitate to say Ankiel will start again in Game 4 on Sunday.

"If we're going to win enough games, Mr. Ankiel is going to

have to be there for us," La Russa said.

The bullpen came to the rescue, with four relievers allowing one run on four hits the rest of the way. Winner Mike James allowed one hit and walked one in 2 1-3 innings. Rookie Britt Reames, a last-minute addition to the post-season roster, escaped a seventh-inning jam, and Dave Veres finished for the save.

Placido Polanco, who started ahead of slumping Fernando Tatis, went 3-for-4 with a two-run single in the first. Edmonds had three hits and homered in the fourth.

Jordan also had a run-scoring single and Walt Weiss had a two-run single in the third. It wasn't enough to overcome the Braves' three errors, just two days after Chipper Jones' ninth-inning error cost the defending NL champions homefield advantage in the first round.

Ankiel is only the second pitcher in major league history to throw five wild pitches in an inning. On Sept. 15, 1890, Bert Cunningham did it for Buffalo of the Players League.

All but one of Ankiel's wild pitches were fastballs, most of them high over the head of catch-

er Carlos Hernandez. The fifth was a curve that bounced about 5 feet in front of the plate.

"A couple of them were too high," Hernandez said. "If I'm Superman, maybe. But I don't think I can fly."

Ankiel threw 12 wild pitches in 175 regular-season innings. More than half (34) of his 66 pitches Tuesday were balls.

Maddux lasted four innings and gave up seven runs, five earned, on nine hits. The four-time Cy Young winner is 10-11 in the postseason, but said his stuff wasn't much different from September when he was 4-1 with an 0.97 ERA.

"I don't really concern myself a whole lot with the results," Maddux said. "I try to stay concerned with pitch selection. Usually, if you make enough good pitches, results will follow."

Mark McGwire, limited to one plate appearance per game because of knee pain, pinch hit in the eighth and was intentionally walked by Kerry Ligtenberg.

After a day off Wednesday, the series resumes with Kile pitching for St. Louis against Tom Glavine in a matchup of the NL's only 20-game winners, then travels to Atlanta for the weekend.

Bucks boost record to 3-1

WHITE DEER — White Deer powered past San Jacinto Christian 54-7 in the Bucks' homecoming game last weekend.

Aaron McLean was the Bucks' leading ground gainer with 133 yards on 15 carries and three touchdowns.

Two touchdowns came from the Bucks' defense as Dustin Harper picked off two San Jacinto passes and returned two of them for touchdowns. Harper also scored on a five-yard pass from Matt Henderson.

Nick Ball had two rushing

touchdowns for the Bucks, who improved to 3-1 for the season. Kirk Kelp kicked four extra points.

White Deer led by a 29-0 score at the half.

The Bucks' defense forced nine turnovers and limited the visitors to 152 total yards. White Deer finished with 280 yards, including 250 on the ground.

A touchdown pass from Curtis Reneau to Martin Roberts in the fourth quarter was San Jacinto's only TD.

White Deer hosts Stratford on Friday night.

Michael Jordans land NBA spots

By The Associated Press

Two Michael Jordans are pursuing new careers in the NBA.

Michael Jordan, considered the greatest basketball player ever, began his first full season as the president of basketball operations for the Washington Wizards on Tuesday.

At the same time, Michael Jordan, NBA hopeful and last year's Ivy League player of the year at Penn, suited up at the Boston Celtics' training camp.

The Wizards' Jordan, who led the Chicago Bulls to six NBA titles, opted for a low profile as the Wizards opened camp at North Carolina-Wilmington's recreation center in Wilmington, N.C.

"You guys don't want to talk to me — the guys you need to talk to are out there," he said, steering the media toward the practice floor.

He became part owner and president of the Wizards on Jan. 19. This year, he's in charge of the Wizards from the outset.

Jordan lured Leonard Hamilton away from the University of Miami to coach the Wizards, restructured the front office and set lofty standards for the team.

"Everybody knows Michael is a very competitive person, and he's very much wanted to develop a winning attitude with the Wizards," Hamilton said. "Everyone here knows he expects success."

At the Celtics' training camp in Waltham, Mass., the other Michael Jordan is just trying to get noticed.

As Bill Russell sat courtside and Larry Bird's retired number hung on a banner, the rookie guard, spoke of opportunity.

"I haven't even thought about having my name on the same team with Bird and all those guys," said Jordan, who signed as a free agent Monday. "They accomplished so much. I haven't done anything."

"Hopefully, I can impress some people and see what happens. If I don't make it here, maybe another opportunity will open up from being here."

The Celtics' Jordan, a Philadelphia native, is Penn's leading scorer with 1,604 career points, a 14.7 average. He led the Quakers to their second straight Ivy League championship last season. He started all four years and is second in school history in assists and third in steals.

He has become used to comparisons to Air Jordan.

"It helps when you have a famous name. It catches somebody's eye," Jordan said. "I used to have a shaved head. I wore 23 for a long time. So you have to take it in stride. If you let it bother you and it gets to be nerve-racking, you're going to go crazy."

Celtics' general manager Chris Wallace isn't mixing up his Jordans.

"Six inches shorter and a few

thousand points less," he said. Elsewhere:

Matt Geiger's training camp ended the day it began.

Geiger, a center, tore cartilage and sprained ligaments in his left knee on the first day of the Sixers training camp at State College, Pa.

Geiger, who could have surgery as early as Wednesday, missed the first 17 games last season because of an injury to the same knee.

On Tuesday, Geiger stepped on Toni Kukoc's foot and took a spill.

New York signed free-agent center Felton Spencer and rookies Lavar Postell and Pete Miceal.

Spencer played in San Antonio last season and averaged 1.9 points, 1.5 rebounds and 5.7 minutes in 26 games.

The 7-foot Spencer averaged 5.6 points and 5.7 rebounds in his 10-year career that included stops in Golden State, Orlando, Utah and Minnesota.

Postell, a 6-6 guard-forward who was the Knicks' second-round pick in this year's NBA draft, averaged 11.1 points and 5.6 rebounds in 129 games at St. John's.

Micheel was the 58th overall pick by Dallas and was traded to the Knicks on draft day. A 6-5 forward, he averaged 16.3 points and 7.6 rebounds in 142 games at Cincinnati.

National Hockey League ready to drop puck on new season

By The Associated Press

Expansion, goalie Patrick Roy's run at the record book and Mark Messier's return to the New York Rangers will be on display when the curtain rises on the NHL's 2000-01 season.

But the first puck of the season drops in Dallas — the same place last season came to a sudden end.

Less than four months after New Jersey's Jason Arnott beat Dallas goalie Ed Belfour in double overtime to win the Stanley Cup, Reunion Arena welcomes the Colorado Avalanche, the team the Stars beat to advance to the finals the last two seasons.

"There is a real respect level between the teams," Dallas coach Ken Hitchcock said Tuesday. "There is a really intense individual competition."

The Stars and Avalanche, who battled through consecutive seven-game Western Conference finals, will play the NHL opener

Wednesday night — the only game on the schedule.

"Their team is the best so far out of the gate," Hitchcock said of the Avalanche. "They're already in midseason form."

Wednesday's opener starts a season in which Minnesota and Columbus join the league and Messier comes back to the Rangers.

The NHL resumes a regular schedule on Thursday, with Ottawa at Boston, Chicago at Buffalo, Vancouver at Philadelphia, Detroit at Calgary and St. Louis at Phoenix. All 30 teams, including expansion clubs Columbus and Minnesota, will play by Saturday.

Minnesota is back in the league for the first time since the North Stars packed for Dallas after the 1992-93 season. The Wild start with a two-game road trip that will take them to Anaheim on Friday and Phoenix on Saturday. Minnesota will play its first home

game on Oct. 11 against Philadelphia.

The Blue Jackets play their first game Saturday night when the Chicago Blackhawks come to Columbus.

The additions of Minnesota and Columbus conclude the latest round of expansion, which also brought Atlanta and Nashville into the league in the past two seasons. Since the first expansion in 1967, the NHL has grown from the "Original Six" franchises to 30.

While commissioner Gary Bettman welcomes Minnesota back, New York will cheer the return of Messier to the Rangers when they play their home opener Oct. 11. Just as when Messier first came to New York, the Rangers will be on the road for a game (Saturday at Atlanta) before No. 11 can pull on his home white jersey.

Arnott's sudden-death goal in Game 6 of the Cup finals ended

Dallas' hope of repeating as league champion. The Devils begin their bid for two straight titles when they raise their championship banner at home against the Montreal Canadiens, owners of 23 Stanley Cups, on Friday night.

Nashville and Pittsburgh open with a two-game series in Japan on Friday and Saturday at mid-night (EDT).

Seven new coaches will begin new jobs this week: Alpo Suhonen (Chicago), Don Hay (Calgary), Dave King (Columbus), Craig MacTavish (Edmonton), Jacques Lemaire (Minnesota), Ron Low (Rangers) and Ivan Hlinka (Pittsburgh).

The Boston Bruins will open a season without Ray Bourque for the first time since he was a rookie in 1979. Bourque re-signed with the Avalanche after he was dealt by the Bruins late last season so he could have a chance to win his first championship ring.

Scoreboard

8:18 p.m., if necessary

World Series (FOX)

Saturday, Oct. 21

National League at American League, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 22

AL at NL, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 24

AL at NL, 8:18 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 25

AL at NL, 8:18 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 26

AL at NL, 8:18 p.m., if necessary

Saturday, Oct. 28

NL at AL, 8 p.m., if necessary

Sunday, Oct. 29

NL at AL, 8 p.m. EST, if necessary

Rodeo

Professional Rodeo

Cowboys Association

Women's Professional

Rodeo Association

By The Associated Press

Through Oct. 1

ALL-AROUND

1. Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas,

\$159,244. 2. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas,

\$138,546. 3. Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas,

\$129,302. 4. Blair Burk, Durant, Okla.,

\$121,075. 5. Rich Skelton, Llano, Texas,

\$113,274. 6. Speed Williams, Jacksonville,

Fla., \$110,778. 7. J.D. Crouse, Canon City,

Colo., \$110,450. 8. Cash Myers, Athens,

Texas, \$109,151. 9. Guy Allen, Lovington,

N.M., \$100,668. 10. Herbert Theriot,

Poplarville, Miss., \$100,183. 11. Jesse Ball,

Camp Creek, S.D., \$97,182. 12. Joe Beaver,

Huntsville, Texas, \$93,054. 13. Cody Ohi,

Stephenville, Texas, \$91,480. 14. Robert

Bowers, Brooks, Alberta, \$81,161. 15. Curtis

Cassidy, Donalda, Alberta, \$80,763. 16.

Garrett Nokes, McCook, Neb., \$76,938. 17.

Tee Woolman, Llano, Texas, \$72,165. 18.

Chad Klein, Jackson, La., \$64,982. 19. Todd

Suhn, Brighton, Colo., \$64,757. 20. Roy

Cooper, Childress, Texas, \$64,210.

BAREBACK RIDING

1. James Bourdeaux, Cuero, Texas,

\$73,788. 2. Larry Sandvick, Kaycee, Wyo.,

\$71,205. 3. Darren Clarke, Weatherford,

Texas, \$69,479. 4. Jeffrey Collins, Redfield,

Kan., \$69,286. 5. Kelly Wardell, Bellevue,

Idaho, \$64,132. 6. Marvin Garrett, Belle

Fourche, S.D., \$63,994. 7. Sean Culver,

Grandview, Wash., \$57,494. 8. Lan

LaJuenesse, Morgan, Utah, \$57,479. 9.

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AG group looking into Firestone tire recall

AUSTIN — The office of Texas Attorney General John Cornyn recently oversaw the formation of a working group within the AG's office to investigate and address safety and consumer concerns related to the Firestone tire recall. This group will focus efforts all ready under way at the AG's office to ensure Firestone is legally complying with the recall and that no price gouging is taking place.

"We are continuing to hear concerns about both the experiences of those who own tires subject to the recall and those who are worried about tires that have not been recalled. My goal is to make sure consumers are fairly treated in compliance with the law," Cornyn said.

The working group will review reports of:

—delays in obtaining replacement tires;
—delays or costs associated with inspections to determine if tires are subject to the recall;

—charging of fees or other add-ons by shops that replace recalled tires;
—bait-and-switch tactics or deceptive sales practices intended to take advantage of those who are seeking to replace recalled tires;

—fulfillment of promises to replace Firestone tires and other brands, and whether the \$100 per tire promised is sufficient;

—whether other tires, not subject to the recall, are experiencing failures caused by manufacturing or design problems.

At this point, to address consumers' concerns, the AG's Consumer Protection Division is taking the following steps:

■ Issuing a consumer alert which is posted on the AG's website and distributed to state consumer protection offices and Better Business Bureaus.

■ Sending letters to Ford and Firestone to make them aware of the working group.

■ Monitoring recall efforts by conducting undercover requests for replacement tires.

■ Soliciting consumer comments and complaints. Consumers may call the AG's office at 1-800-252-8011 or file a consumer complaint on-line at www.oag.state.tx.us.

■ Participating with a multi-state working group of attorneys general to anticipate other concerns or issues regarding the recall.



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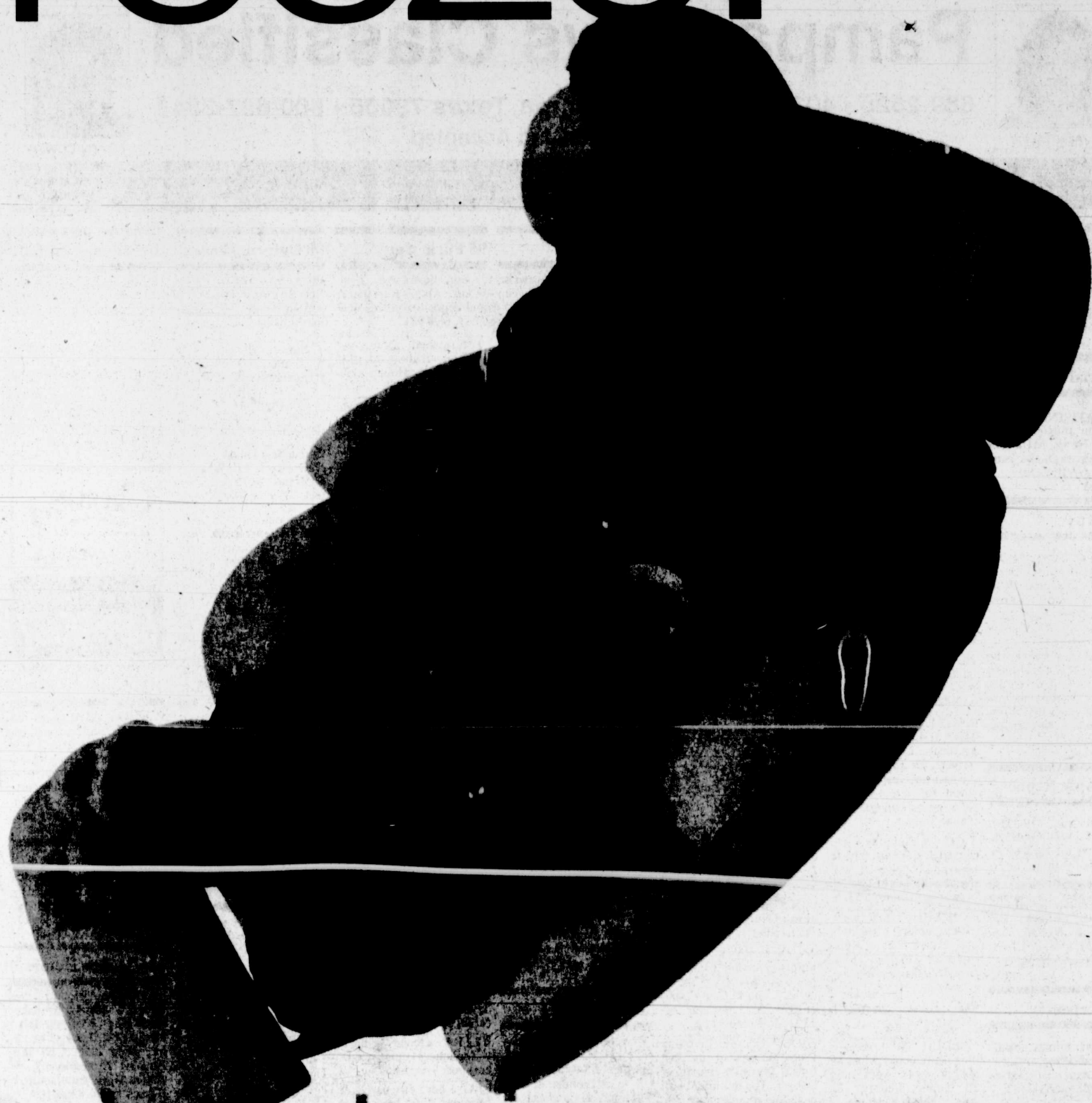
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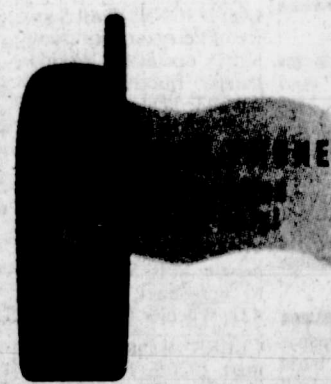
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