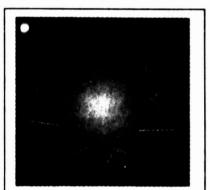


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Lotto jackpot still growing

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twiceweekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$14 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 20-25-33-42-50-54

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$18 million.

Sleeping victims killed on tracks

HOUSTON (AP) — While sleeping between railroad tracks, two men were struck and killed by a freight train.

Jesse Wayne Politis and Dale Wayne Whitsell, both of Dayton, were struck early Sunday morning near U.S. 90 on the Houston area city's west side

Dayton police said Politis, 28, and the 33-year-old Whitsell were sleeping between the rails and did not hear the approaching Union Pacific freight train.

· Lucille Hamill, 91, clubwoman.

· Norman L. Knox, 64, foradministrator of Coronado Community Hospital.

· Victor Parrish, 71, farmer and rancher. · Flo Montgomery Petty, 75,

former Pampa resident.

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Thornberry: Tax cuts mid-term election key

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

AMARILLO - Pampa's Congressman said the President's tax cut proposal will be the key to midterm elections in 2002.

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Clarendon, told the Panhandle Livestock Association at their annual convention here Saturday night that the major piece of business in Washington is President Bush's tax cut proposal.

Thornberry said plans on Capitol Hill call for the tax bill to be passed quickly. He said the goal is to pass it to pass it by July 4, and make it retroactive

"That is the target that the President and the Congressional leadership are shooting for," Thornberry said. "I think that is important for our pocketbooks, our industry and the country as a

He said three things are happening, all at the

"Taxes, as a percentage of the country's economy, are higher than they've been at any time since the

years of World War Thornberry said. "In other words, everything that's produced in the country, the federal government

is taking a bigger share now in taxes than at any time other than 1944 and 1945."

The average U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry

household, he said, now pays \$9,445 in federal income tax, he said. "The amazing part to me is that is double what it was in 1985," Thornberry says. "That's not so long ago.

There is also a large surplus.

"The federal government is going to take in a lot more money than is required for current pro-(See THORNBERRY, Page 2)



Angela Carlton, a first grader at Wilson Elementary, is expanding her knowledge with the

Man critical after 171-60 accident

By NANCY YOUNG **Managing Editor**

A well-known Pampa man was flown by Lifestar to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo this morning after being involved in a car-tractor trailer accident at Loop 171 and U.S. 60 shortly before 7 a.m. this morning.

Jerry Pope, 61, of Pampa was still receiving emergency treatment in the emergency room at the Amarillo hospital at press time, according to a hospital spokeswoman. The spokeswoman said he is in critical condition.

He is employed as a counselor at the Windam School at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice prison units east of

Pope was transferred from the scene of the accident by Rural Metro Ambulance to Pampa Regional Medical Center for initial treatment before transfer by helicopter to Amarillo.

James Vernon Anderson, 49, Canadian, was the driver of a 1979 Mack truck owned by G.P. Guinn, Inc. of Borger which was

traveling west on Highway 60. Pope was traveling south on Loop 171 in a 1991 Toyota Camry when he ran a stop sign and struck the truck, according to a Department of Public Safety spokeswoman.

Anderson was not injured in the collision. Pope's small car struck the truck on the passenger side at the rear tandem axle. The DPS report said the car then swung to the left and around with the rear end coming to a stop underneath

DPS troopers Jessie Cerda and Jim Bishop investigated the accident. The Gray County Sheriff's Department assisted.

Police break up hair-pulling fight

A local convenience store clerk's efforts to escort an unruly customer to the door late Saturday erupted into a hairpulling brawl, police reported

Sgt. Alvin Johnson responded to a report of a fight at the Taylor report. Mart, 400 N. Ballard, shortly after 10:30 p.m. Saturday,

according to police reports. Inside, he found a man and a woman wrestling on the floor at the back of the store. Both persons had fistsful of the other person's hair, holding each other down, Johnson said. He also saw "wads" of long hair scattered around the store, he said in his

The police sergeant broke up the fighting pair and had them

The officer also saw "wads" of long hair scattered around the store, he said in his

sit on the floor until back-up units could arrive and officers could sort out what had actually

According to the police report, Frankie Rodriguez, 36, 818 F. Brunow, entered the store at about 10:15 and told the clerk he wanted her to start a tab because he wanted to buy a "Coke and a candy bar" and he didn't have any money.

(See FIGHT, Page 2)

City, county apply for federal disaster funds

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

applied for federal disaster funds to help disaster area on Jan. 8 recoup unexpected expenses arising from the Dec. 26, 2000, snowstorm.

More than \$1 million in federal assistance has been approved to help Texas removal, and repair or replacement of residents recover from snow and ice public facilities such as roads, bridges,

storms that wracked the state from Dec. 12 to Jan. 15, according to Texas Emergency Management officials City and county officials say they have President Bill Clinton declared the state a

aid of a new computer recently installed in her classroom taught by Lynda Dyer.

Gray County was named among 37 Texas counties eligible for funding for emergency protective measures, debris

buildings and utilities

County Judge Richard Peet said he learned of the available disaster assistance at a meeting with Texas Emergency Management officials in Panhandle last week. He brought back the necessary forms and shared them with the city, he

"We are asking for these funds on the basis of the 15-inch snowstorm between

Dec. 24 and Dec. 27," said Ken Hall. City of Pampa emergency management coor dinator. National Weather Service (NWS) records show that 15 inches of snow tell during that period, he said, adding "according to (NWS) that is the third

largest snow event in our history." Peet said he is preparing the necessary forms to apply for the federal disaster (See FUNDS, Page 2)

Halliburton honors Waller for service

A reception hosted by Halliburton Energy Services (HES) honoring Rex Waller for 45 years of employment with the company was recently held at the Pampa Country Club.

Waller's granddaughter, Telissa Sealy, and Autumn Darden registered guests. Guests were family members, friends, business associates, and associates in the oil and gas industry. Approximately 100

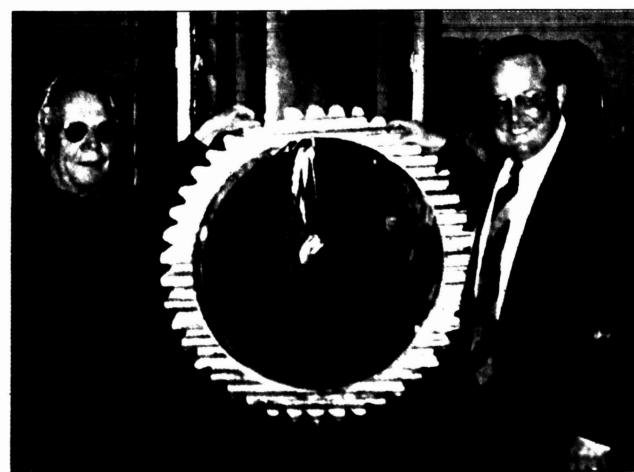
Craig Floyd, senior vice-president of HES, gave the presentation and commendation. Floyd gave Waller's employment history and noted his dedication to Halliburton over the past 45 years.

Following college, Halliburton hired Waller to work in Hugoton, Kan. His employment took him from Kansas to Nevada then on to California and Alaska, before returning to Texas in 1977. Waller and wife, Shirley, were raised in Dumas. Spence Hummell, drilling superintendent for Service Drilling in

Borger, attempted to purchase a very special gift for Waller, a mirror called "A Reflection of the Past" one of four in existence, owned by Lavonne Bell of Fort Worth.

Bell refused to sell the mirror but stated it would be an honor to give the mirror to Waller for being such a dedicated Halliburton Arriving in his private jet helicopter, Bell personally presented the

gift, "A Reflection of the Past," a beautiful beveled mirror framed in a cross-section of the bull gear from the spline drive system of the famous HT-400 general purpose pump designed and built by Halliburton's research and development facility in Duncan, Okla. (See HALLIBURTON, Page 2)



Halliburton's Rex Waller, right, accepts a special mirror from Lavonne Bell during

a reception for Waller to mark his 45th year with the company.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

BASFERD, Walter E. — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Morgantown,

KNOX, Norman L. — 2 p.m., Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors Bell Avenue Chapel, Amarillo.

Obituaries

LUCILLE HAMILL

SHAMROCK — Lucille Hamill, 91, died Saturday, Feb. 10, 2001. Services were to be at 10:30 a.m. today in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Todd Dyess of Pampa and the Rev. John Westman officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Born at Belton, Mrs. Hamill had been a longtime Shamrock resident, working as a hairdresser. She married Earl Fuller Hamill in 1926 at Glen Rose; he died in 1984.

She belonged to First United Methodist Church, where she sang in the choir, Order of Eastern Star, Business and Professional Women's Club, Rebekah Lodge and Suzannah Group. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Betty

Survivors include a daughter, Jane Rives of Wheeler; a sister, Bessie Post of Amarillo; five grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

NORMAN L. KNOX

AMARILLO - Norman L. Knox, 64, died Sunday, Feb. 11, 2001. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors Bell Avenue Chapel with Marvin Knox, brother of the deceased, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Amarillo under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mr. Knox was born at Pampa and graduated from high school at Borger in 1955. He worked as a hospital administrator throughout Texas for 30 years and retired from Coronado Community Hospital in Pampa after 10 years. He married his first wife, Emma, in 1957; she died in 1994. He married Margarette Sanders Cox in 1995 at Pampa. The couple moved to Amarillo from Houston in 1999.

He was a Baptist, a past president of Pampa Chamber of Commerce and belonged to Lions Club and Texas Hospital Association as well.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Imogene Knox; his father, John Knox; and a twin brother, Gorman Knox.

Survivors include his wife, Margarette; three daughters, Kerrie Dobbs of Houston, Jean Alice Hunt of Midland and Leslie Ann Donley of Dallas; a stepdaughter, Gaytha Cox-Reid of Amarillo; a stepson, Kenneth Steven Cox of Pampa; two brothers, Edmund Marvin Knox of Stafford, Okla., and Earnest Garvin Knox of Littlefield; eight grandchildren; and a greatgrandchild.

The family will be at 6800 Zapata Lane and in the 1000 block of Terry Road. requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to BSA Hospice and Life Enrichment Center.

VICTOR PARRISH

SHAMROCK — Victor Parfish, 71, died Friday, Feb. 9, 2001. Services were to be at 2:30 p.m. today in Church of Christ with nephews officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock

Born at Shamrock, Mr. Parrish was a lifelong resident of the community, graduating from Shamrock High School in 1946. He married Leona Hawley in 1954; she died in 1979.

He was a farmer and rancher.

Survivors include two daughters, Phyllis and Debbie; and four sisters, Dovie Miller of Tahoka, Ora Lee Foringer of Washington, Pa., Josephine Burgess of Clarendon and Jo Ann Brooks of Shamrock. The family requests memorials be to Westview

Boy's Home in Hollis, Okla

FLO MONTGOMERY PETTY

AMARILLO — Flo Montgomery Petty, 75, of Claremore, died Friday, Feb. 9, 2001. Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. today in Llano Mausoleum. Arrangements are under the direction of Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mrs. Petty was born at Chickasha, Okla., and, prior to moving to Claremore, had resided in Mountain Park, Borger and Pampa. She married Myriam "Pete" Petty in 1995.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Jack G.R. Montgomery, in 1993.

Survivors include her husband, Myriam; two daughters, Jo Ann Berner of Amarillo and Sheila Berner of Claremore; a son, Tom Montgomery of Claremore; a sister, Mae Wisdom of Hobart, Okla.; four grandchildren; and three greatgrandchildren.

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Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, Feb. 8 An assault with minor injuries was reported to have occurred in the 1200 block of South Nelson on Feb. 6.

Friday, Feb. 9

A representative of Dollar General, 2225 N Perryton Parkway, reported the theft of \$1,542.69. A deposit that was to have been made on Jan. 23 had not been made. Police are continuing to investigate the report.

Attempted suicide was reported in the 600 block of North Yeager.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 2200 block of North Hamilton.

An assault with bodily injury was reported at the Taylor Mart, 400 N. Ballard.

Saturday, Feb. 10

A representative of Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported a gas drive-off involving \$15.03 of unleaded gasoline.

Fictitious inspection sticker and fictitious registration was reported in the 800 block of North Hobart involving a 1983 Ford LTD.

Benito Rodriguez, 22, 1239 Williston, was arrested on a Randall County warrant for theft by check over \$20 and under \$500.

Frankie L. Rodriguez, 36, 818 E. Brunow, was arrested for assault with bodily injury. Sunday, Feb. 11

An abandoned vehicle - traffic hazard was impounded in the 700 block of 23rd.

Burglary of a vehicle was reported in the 2900 block of Rosewood. A CD player valued at \$80

Burglary of a vehicle was reported in the 600 block of Bradley Drive. Numerous CDs and a CD case, value not listed, was stolen.

Burglary of a vehicle was reported in the 2200 block of Christine. A VCR, value not listed, was

Three vehicles were reported burglarized in the 2300 block of Mary Ellen. A purse, money and pair of computer speakers, were reported stolen. No value was given.

Burglary of a vehicle was reported in the 1000 block of East Kingsmill. Damage to the vehicle was estimated at \$300. A stereo and speakers valued at \$920 and CDs valued at \$2,220 were reported stolen.

Criminal mischief - destruction of property was reported by the Pampa Police Department Vandals drove over three Neighborhood Watch signs and a stop signs in different locations between 1 a.m. and 9:30 a.m., Sunday. Total value of the signs, belonging to the City of Pampa, was estimated at \$600. Police are following leads left by the vandals, according to the report.

A representative of Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported theft of \$142.79. A suspect has been identified and the case has been referred to Gray County Attorney's Office.

Possession of drug paraphernalia was reported

Theft was reported in the 2400 block of Rosewood. A chain saw and two electric drills valued at \$150 were reported stolen.

Police were called to the emergency room at Pampa Regional Medical Center to investigate an assault. The victim required stitches after he had been struck in the mouth by a family member but declined to file charges, police said.

Monday, Feb. 12

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of South Tignor. Someone cut the front tire of a 1968 Ford Mustang. Francisco Lira, 32, Shamrock, was arrested in

the 800 block of West Brown on warrants for failure to drive single lane, improper turn, no driver's license and failure to identify.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Feb. 10

Alvin Earl Roland, 59, Wellington, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety as an administrative violator.

Sharon Ruth Cook, 41, Amarillo, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety for driving while intoxicated.

Sunday, Feb. 11

Charles Gillispie, 46, Shamrock, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Fires

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Feb. 10

11:29 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 800 block of

4:07 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 2100 block of Chestnut.

9:39 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 400 block of North Sumner

Sunday, Feb. 11

6:44 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide check in the 1500 block of North Faulkner. A monitor apparently was malfunctioning.

7:11 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 2100 block of North Christy.

Monday, Feb. 12

6:56 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at U.S. 60 and Loop 171.

ACT I (Area Community Theater) will hold auditions for its spring production of 'Grace and Glorie" at 7 p.m., Monday, Feb. 12, at its Pampa Mall Theater. The auditions are being held to fill the roles of two women, one in her mid-30s or older and one 50to 80-years-old.

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THORNBERRY

grams," Thornberry said, "so we have a big surplus. Now, we're using it to pay down debt. We've paid back about \$635 billion worth of debt over the last four years, but if we just let'it sit there, it's going to be spent on bigger government."

Thornberry said the key factor facing the nation

today is the decline in the economy.

"We don't know how far or how fast it's going down," he said. "The economy is slowing." He indicated it could slide into a recession.

In a meeting with a White House economic adviser last week, Thornberry said, personal debt is increasing.

"There is credit card debt on the order of \$2,000 for every man, woman and child in the United States today," Thornberry said. "The point is that there is lot of debt that people have that they need to be able to keep their money in order to pay down that debt and do the things they need to do for their

The President's tax proposal, which went to Congress last week, decreases rates and provides tax relief for everybody, Thornberry said

"It does something about the marriage penalty," he said. "It phases out the inheritance over a period of several years. It would be nice if we could do it more quickly. The bill that I introduced ever since I was first elected has been to get rid of it all imme-

diately. Right now."

Thornberry said he thinks this will be the year that the inheritance, or death tax, will begin to fade. It may not be all at once, but it will begin to decline.

"I think it's going to go," Thornberry said. He said he thinks his bill to repeal the inheritance tax could become a part of the

President's tax proposal.

"Maybe we can come back in a year or so and get rid of it more quickly," Thornberry said, "but in the meantime, I think there is a very good chance that we're going to have lower income taxes. We're not going to punish people for being married. People with kids are going to be able to keep more of their money, and the inheritance tax will be on the way down."

He said national polls indicate that from 68 to 87 ercent of those polled favor repealing the inheri-

"I believe the debate has changed significantly the past couple of years," Thornberry said. "Hardly anybody is in there defending it, and I think it's going to be gone."

The Bush administration, for now, is not looking at lowering capital gains taxes. Thornberry said they point out the differences between capital gains taxing rates and income tax rates. The upper income tax rates mostly affect small business.

"They believe very strongly that the first thing we have to do is get those income tax rates down,

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FIGHT

The clerk, Julie Lynn Butler, said in her statement that she told the man, "See the door? Hit it!" She said Rodriguez responded by shoving the candy across the counter at her and insisting that she start

Butler told police she went around the counter to direct Rodriguez to the door when he "charged"

her and the fight began.

Rodriguez told police officers that he was a diabetic and was starting to go into "diabetic shock" and he needed the candy. Police said they took Rodriguez to the hospital emergency room to have his blood sugar tested. The man's blood sugar was at a normal level, according to the police report.

Rodriguez was arrested on charges of assault with bodily injury and placed in Gray County Jail.

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FUNDS

funds to reimburse Gray County for expenses incurred, but did not yet know how much the snow storm had cost the county.

"We're making every effort to obtain the federal dollars that are available. It's a lot of red tape and a lot of paper work, but it's worth it to get some of the money back for taxpayers," Peet said.

"If approved, we'll receive 75 percent reimbursement from FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) for our cost incurred through this event," Hall said.

Hall said a FEMA representative is expected to be in Pampa sometime this week to meet with Gray County and City of Pampa officials.

"We'll sit down with the FEMA representative and show him our data that we believe supports our application for the grant," Hall said.

"We believe we have the photographs and documentation to show this was a really significant event for us," he added. "City employees were working days on end to keep the streets clear so our citizens could get out and keep our economy

Reimbursable costs include overtime pay, equipment use and damage, and repairs, officials said. Hall said the city's initial disaster summary out-

line estimated repair costs of \$14,493.95. "Since then we learned there are other costs that are eligible for reimbursement, so we expect that number to go up," he added.

The city's finance department is preparing a comprehensive evaluation of expenses incurred, he said, that will be presented to the FEMA represen-

"This person hopefully can clear some of this up and we can see what we can do."

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HALLIBURTON

Accidents

7 a.m. today.

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The first fracturing job for the HT-400 was performed on April 2, 1957. The cross-section frame is highly polished solid brass. A plaque depicting the history of the bull gear was presented with the mir-

ing accidents during the 48-hour period ending at

Friday, Feb. 9

David Silva Jr., 17, 511 N. Nelson, collided with a

12:20 a.m. - A 1989 Chevrolet Camaro driven by

The other three mirrors, "A Reflection of the Bell, of Bell Group Processing, has a long history Past," were presented to President George W. Bush of business within the oil and gas equipment and Vice-President Dick Cheney, prior to their elections as president and vice president, and to Jerry Jones, owner of the Dallas Cowboys. Cheney is the former head of Halliburton and stepped down to run for vice president.

Waller plans to continue his career with Halliburton in Pampa.

Oldsmobile 88 driven by Sherri E. Burkhalter, 42, 1601 N. Christy, collided in the 1400 block of North Hamilton. Justice was cited for entering intersec-Pampa Police Department reported the followtion when unsafe.

10 a.m. - An unknown vehicle collided with a legally parked 1980 GMC pickup owned by James Johnston, 818 Reid, in the 1300 block of Somerville and left the scene.

Sunday, Feb. 11 legally parked 1981 Chevrolet Malibu belonging to 2:10 p.m. - A 1997 Chevrolet Cavalier LS driven Minnie Marie Evans, 501 N. Sumner, in the 1200 by Kolbye Dale Johnson, 14, 1123 Mary Ellen, and block of West Buckler. Silva was cited for failure to a 1995 Honda Odyssey minivan driven by Desiree control speed and failure to leave information. No Lyn Hillman, 41, 2200 Chestnut, collided in the 300 block of West Kentucky. Johnson was cited for no 7:50 a.m. – A 1968 Chevrolet S-10 pickup driven Texas driver's license and failure to control speed. by Mark Allen Justice, 25, 813 Bradley, and a 1997 No injuries were reported at the scene.

City Briefs

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Weather focus

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PAMPA — This morning, low clouds and fog locally dense at times. Light and variable winds. This afternoon, mostly cloudy with highs in the upper 40s. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows 40 to 45. Southeast winds 5 to 15

mph. The overnight low was 30. STATEWIDE — Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs 60 to 65. continue through most of the

state today and continue through the evening hours.

North Texas was expected to get showers during the day and continue through Tuesday, the National Weather Service said. High temperatures were expected to be in the 50s.

Drizzle and clouds settled over North Texas early Monday morning, and temperatures were mostly in the 40s.

Fog and thunderstorms were forecast for much of South Texas on Monday and Tuesday. Temperatures were predicted to be in the 50s and 60s on Southeast to south winds 10 to Monday. Tuesday, however, 20 mph. Rain was forecast to should be warmer with high temperatures expected to reach

into the 70s and even the 80s in some spots.

A fog settled over parts of South Texas early Monday, with visibility as low as a quarter of a mile in Central Texas. Temperatures were in the 40s and 50s.

Precipitation, ranging from light rain to thunderstorms, was expected in much of West Texas on Monday and Tuesday. Temperatures should range mostly from the 40s to the 60s.

West Texas also was cloudy early Monday, although fog was reported only in Childress. Temperatures ranged from the upper 20s to the 50s throughout the region.

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You say you want a resolution? How about improving

If you made a traditional New Year's resolution to lose weight and exercise, you may lose pounds, but you may also strengthen bone in

"Weight-bearing exercise can maintain bone density," says Dr. Howard Heller, assistant professor of internal medicine at UT

Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "The bone is believed to have mechanical sensors that are used to adapt the strength of the bone. So, for example, tennis players have a

much higher bone mass in their dominant arm." Low bone density can lead to osteoporosis, a thinning of bones. Weight-bearing exercises like aerobics, weight training, walking and tai chi are effective at maintaining bone density. By exercising regularly and eating a well-balanced diet, women of all ages have a much better chance of maintaining their bone strength.

Youth quest could be hazardous to your health

In their quest for the fountain of youth, some people are risking long-term health problems by injecting themselves with a daily dose of human growth hormone.

"Human growth hormone or HGH is a protein in the pituitary gland that is essential for growth and development in children," says Dr. Craig Rubin, head of geriatrics at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "As we age, our bodies reduce the production of this hormone."

Initially, the Food and Drug Administration approved HGH to treat children with growth deficiencies. But now that the hormone is produced synthetically via genetic manufacturing techniques, many people are using it to combat aging.

What concerns Rubin is that people are taking HGH when there are no studies evaluating its long-term health effects. Preliminary studies, however, have shown that minimal use of the drug may cause diabetes or carpal tunnel syndrome.

"Studies of HGH given to older individuals have shown changes in body composition and increased muscle mass but most importantly, there was no significant improvement in muscle strength or exercise ability," Rubin says.

Support groups lessen bumps on road to cancer

Many cancer patients find that being involved in a support group helps them cope with their diagnosis and treatment.

Support groups allow patients to express concerns and feelings and to share their personal ways of coping with cancer, says Marla Hathcoat, a social worker at the Harold C. Simmons Comprehensive Cancer Center at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"Some also incorporate psycho educational components and include teaching coping skills such as stress management, relaxation and problem solving," she says.

Studies have shown that participants in support groups derive benefits from the cathartic effects of self-disclosure, a sense of community and the feeling of altruism and worth that comes with both giving and receiving support, she says.

To be healthy, be skeptical of supplements

Drugs that advertise enhanced sports performance through better concentration, increased muscle strength and stronger focus may actually be no better than simple athletic training, say doctors at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Actually, says Dr. Patricia Chandler, an assistant professor of family practice and community medicine, some drugs and dietary supplements can be dangerous to your health, and athletes should be cautious about taking them even if the label says they are safe.

"Those drugs may temporarily enhance an athlete's performance, but they have dangerous side effects," Chandler says.

Testosterone preparations can change the cholesterol makeup of your blood in a negative way, and drugs like ephedrine can increase blood pressure and hear rate to unhealthy levels. The long-term effects can

In 1994, the United States Congress passed a law allowing dietary supplements to be marketed without warning labels. That means a supplement could be labeled safe but still have some serious poten-

"What I tell athletes is to eat right, get enough rest and train appropriately," says Chandler, who is certified in sports medicine. "Proper training is far better than taking drugs."

Do the two step: Wash hands, drink plenty of fluids

Winter is here and so is another season of respiratory syncytial virus, better known as RSV, the leading cause of respiratory infections in young children and infants.

"Typically, people get their hands contaminated unknowingly and then rub their eyes or nose," says Dr. Hasan Jafri, an assistant professor of pediatrics at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "The best way to avoid RSV is to wash hands frequently, and avoid places like busy daycare centers where it can be transmitted easily."

Symptoms include nasal congestion, coughing and some fever. In more severe cases, children suffer pneumonia, bronchitis and even

Sufferers have few treatment options besides drinking lots of liq-

Parents should make sure infants' noses are clear of secretions to ensure an open breathing passage and take very young infants, infants with chronic respiratory diseases and premature infants to a doctor to determine whether they have RSV or a common cold.

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New procedure which uses radiation to 'zap' arteries may prevent further clogging

By LINDA A. JOHNSON **Associated Press Writer**

Zapping arteries with radiation after clearing out blockages dramatically cuts the chances they will clog up again, researchers say.

Two new studies suggest that the technology can help eliminate the most discouraging complication of angioplasty — the tendency of newly reopened heart arteries to squeeze shut again within a few

Both technologies involve inserting bits of radioactive material into the arteries, where it is left for a few minutes and then removed. One uses beta radiation, which does not penetrate beyond the patient's body, and the other uses gamma radiation, which requires medical workers to be shielded.

Despite the apparent advantages, experts worry that both approaches could cause cancer decades later. In addition, several patients getting gamma radiation developed dangerous blood clots.

The studies were published in the New England Journal of Medicine, along with editorials by doctors from the Food and Drug Administration and Jewish General Hospital in Montreal. The editorials urged using the new systems with caution until bigger, longer studies confirm their safety and effectiveness.

Each year, some 750,000. Americans undergo balloon angioplasty to squeeze open clogged arteries. In about 60 percent of cases, doctors also insert a miniature wire coil, called a stent, to try to keep the artery propped open. This cuts the rate of renarrowing - what doctors call restenosis — from the usual 35 percent to around 25 percent. When restenosis occurs, chest pain usually returns, and the usual

solution is another angioplasty or a bypass operation. Radiation is the latest attempt to avoid this complication. "It is very exciting news for us," said Dr. Rohit Arora, chief of cardiology at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in

Newark, who did not participate in the studies.

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doctors say.

The study of beta radiation used a system made by Boston Scientific Corp. and was sponsored by the Prevot Foundation and the Swiss National Science Foundation. The gamma radiation study tested a system made by Cordis, a Johnson & Johnson subsidiary, which financed the research.

The study of beta radiation was directed by Dr. Vitali Verin of University Hospital in Geneva and involved 181 patients who were treated after undergoing angioplasty for the first time. Once the blockage was cleared, a radioactive coil was inserted in that part of

the artery, then removed after a couple of minutes. Heart scans six months later found restenosis in 29 percent of patients receiving the lowest radiation dose and in 15 percent of those getting a dose twice as high. Among patients who did not have a stent implanted, just 4 percent at the highest radiation dose suffered restenosis.

The other study used the more common strategy of treating patients who had already undergone a failed angioplasty. After a new angioplasty, doctors inserted a tiny ribbon containing seeds of gamma radiation in 131 patients, removing it after 20 minutes. An additional 121 patients received an identical-looking ribbon but no

After six months, 28 percent of the patients who got radiation had restenosis, needed a repeat procedure or had died, compared with 44 percent in the comparison group. However, several months after the procedure, 5 percent of the radiation patients developed dangerous blood clots, compared with 1 percent in the comparison group.

Dr. Martin B. Leon of Lenox Hill Hospital in New York, who directed the gamma radiation study, said he has eliminated that problem in more recent patients by limiting use of new stents and keeping patients on anti-clotting medicines for six to 12

The technique means that many patients can be spared bypass surgery or repeated angioplasties, said Leon, who has worked as a consultant for Cordis.

Arora said the beta radiation system is more likely to pan out because it is easier to operate, the radiation is not widely dispersed and, unlike the gamma system, it has been shown to prevent restenosis after a patient's first angioplasty.

New England Journal of Medicine site: http://www.nejm.com American Heart Association site on restenosis: http://www.amer-

icanheart.org/Heart—and—Stroke—A—Z—Guide/sten.html National Heart, Loan and Blood Institute site on heart disease: http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart/other/chdfacts.ht

Lethal bacteria becoming resistant to antibiotics

By LINDA A. JOHNSON **Associated Press Writer**

A sometimes-lethal type of bacamputations. teria that causes many cases of decade that overuse of antibiotics ers." is helping germs become resis-

600,000 to 750,000 people in this

after heart disease and cancer.

Warning signs include:

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Someone in this country dies

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then to newer antibiotics, raising the specter of more deaths and

"Ît's become even more worripneumonia, bloodstream infec- some in the last two years," said tions and other illnesses is rapid- Dr. Cynthia G. Whitney of the otics, a government study found. Prevention. "There are definitely Experts have warned for a some strains that are fast learn-

The CDC study looked at

To be most effective in limit-

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ly becoming resistant to antibi- Centers for Disease Control and many elderly people. Between 1995 and 1998, Whitney and colleagues collected 12,045 blood or other fluid samples from U.S. patients infected with Streptococcus pneumonia. Each sample was tested against Some vital statistics on strokes antibiotics from nine of the 10 or

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> went from 21 percent to 25 per-Resistance was particularly high in children under 5 and in whites, two groups generally receiving more antibiotics than others, as well as in parts of the

antibiotic applied until the bacte-

first be determined through However, the researchers noted -Sudden trouble seeing in brain scans and a physical examthat new vaccines, including one and babies, can protect against most tance Sources: American Stroke

tant to drugs, first to penicillin, Streptococcus pneumonia, the drug-resistant strains of the bacnation's most common bacterial teria. Also, a few new antibiotics cause of meningitis, children's have been coming onto the marear infections and pneumonia. ket in recent years, and 19 more Also called pneumococcus, it is a are in development and could go frequent cause of bacteremia, a on sale over the next eight years.

bloodstream infection that kills In fact, the researchers found that as newer antibiotics came into greater use, the prevalence of pneumococcus resistant to the older antibiotics decreased. "It gives us hope maybe we can

reverse this trend," Whitney said. The research was reported in the New England Journal of

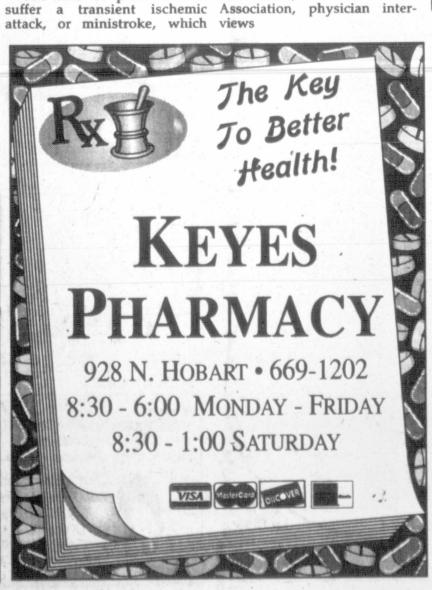
In an editorial, Drs. Richard P. Wenzel and Michael B. Edmond of Virginia Commonwealth University said that the rise of percentage of pneumococcus drug resistance "should cause samples resistant to three or more great concern and incite a com-

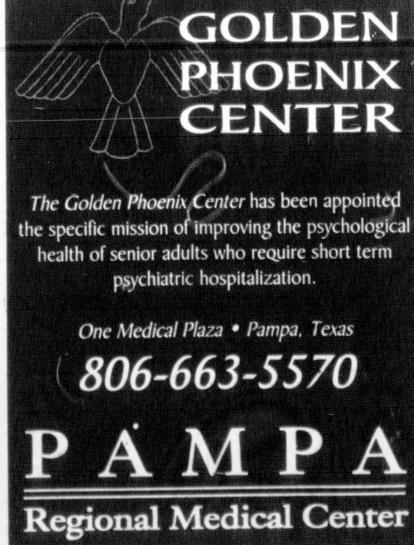
"The antibiotic era is barely 60 years old, yet the inappropriate use of these drugs threatens our ability to cope with infections," they said.

On the Net:

New England Journal of Medicine http://www.nejm.com

Centers for Disease Control Prevention approved recently for use in http://www.cdc.gov/drugresis-





Tax Preparer Offers Advice You Can Take to the Bank

approaching. As a tax practitioner, I am asking for your help. Please

inform your readers: (1) Same- or next-day "refunds" are not refunds. They are superhigh interest loans with interest rates higher than some loan sharks charge! If you file early, you can get your money back in as little as two

(2) Allow the practitioner to use a direct-deposit refund. If you don't, your return could take up to 10 days longer to be printed, sorted and mailed. The IRS already knows about every bank account you have, so you have nothing to fear.

(3) Choose a practitioner who will be there after the end of April. Don't use a tax mill that disappears after three or four months.

(4) Make sure the preparer signs your return. It's the law. If he or she refuses, do not pay for or accept the return. Remember, you are just as responsible for your tax preparer's mistakes as he or she is for yours.

(5) Don't ask the preparer to do something illegal. (You could wind up as cellmates.) (6) Just because somebody you

know took a certain tax deduction does not mean you're also eligible. (7) The IRS now requires Social Security numbers for each member of your family. Most hospitals arrange for numbers to be issued at birth. You can also obtain one from your local Social Security office. If

you are a nonresident alien, the

local IRS office will issue you a

Horoscope

TUESDAY, FEB. 13, 2001

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

along with plans.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

*** Your interpersonal skills star.

You sense confusion running through

ideas and plans. Clean up mixed mes-

* * Defer to another rather than mak-

ing a decision. Others think they are

right. The real issue might be what is

most effective, especially with a decision

that involves others. You might not

lways see past present events. Someone

in a position of authority confuses the

issue instead of clarifying it. Tonight: Go

★ ★ ★ ★ Your ability to read between the lines could make a big difference in what

goes down at work or with an important project. Think about the real issue at

hand. Efforts to reach out to another

result in confusion. Minds aren't meeting. Tonight: Get on an exercise kick.

★★★★ Listen carefully to someone who means a lot to you. You might not

always understand what another is say-

ing. This misunderstanding might not be

your fault. Be diplomatic and ask astute,

insightful questions. Answers don't

sages. Tonight: Talk to a trusted friend.

5-Dynamic; 4-Positive;



Abigail Van Buren

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temporary number for identification purposes while you are in this

Thanks for your help in getting this information out, Abby TAX TIPS FROM A PROFESSIONAL

DEAR PROFESSIONAL: As people scramble to get their tax filing done, it's tempting to take a few shortcuts. Thank you for your warnings and helpful suggestions. I hope my readers will take them to

response to "Terrified in the South," who discovered her husband's interest in child pornography. "Terrified" asked whether you thought her husband could be a child molester and said that she couldn't stand the thought of her husband touching

her "if he ... hurt a child like that." Abby, her husband doesn't need to physically touch a child to "hurt a child like that"; his desire for child

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

errands on the way home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

a sleuth to conquer a problem.

** * Others might be doing a won-

derful job of muddling up decisions and

ideas. You will be able to clear things up

and get down to brass tacks. Don't worry

so much about what is going on with

sions, and you might not be getting the

self, it comes out in how you respond to

pornography creates and fuels the demand for the sexual exploitation of children. Please inform your readers that the very act of downloading or viewing child pornography is a criminal act and creates the environment for children to be sexually abused by someone.

The U.S. Customs Service investigates the trafficking of child pornography via the Internet. If your readers suspect someone is involved with child pornography over the Internet, referrals can be made by calling 1-800-BE ALERT (1-800-232-5378) or via e-mail to

c3@customs.treas.gov. GABRIEL HAGAN, SPECIAL AGENT, U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE

DEAR SPECIAL AGENT HAGAN: Thank you for your expertise on this subject. Child pornography is a vice that affects everyone whose lives DEAR ABBY: My letter is in are in any way touched by it. I suspect your letter will be clipped and saved by concerned readers.

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Listen to your sixth sense about good night's sleep. a child or loved one. This person might

not be able to tell you the "straight" story *** Stay focused on the main because he really does not know it. Stay issues. Don't allow anyone to push you, on top of the big story while dealing with especially financially. Know that right others. Honor family as your highest priority. Tonight: Opt for quiet and relaxing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

in a haze. Confirm important messages you. Just stay focused. Jot down what and meetings. Others might not be sure could be a fleeting idea. Tonight: Run about what is happening. Remain optimistic with others. Your understanding and caring reach new levels with an ** Keep talking and asking quesimportant person in your life. Tonight: In tions. You need more information in

PISCES (Feb. 19-March

* * It isn't in your mind. It is for real full story. By asking questions, you get down to basics. Be careful that you don't - others simply aren't as clear as they take a risk and put yourself in a vulnera- could be. You could make an assumption ble position. Tonight: Balance your about what they mean, or you can go through a clarification process. You cannot be too careful with decisions in the

others. Don't hesitate to step back if you BORN TODAY

some important information. Tonight: Be | Springer (1944) SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ** Take your time when making

"When I said no back-seat driving,

I wasn't inviting you into the front seat."

The Family Circus

dences and decisions. Communication could sound like gibberish. That might not be far from the truth! Tonight: Get a

now, you aren't seeing the whole picture, and that is OK. Take your time when making decisions that involve your funds and long-term desires. Tonight: Follow your friend's lead.

* * * Slow down, as you are working order to make important money deci- the limelight.

* * * You have a strong personality. current environment. Tonight: Buy a new Sometimes when you are unsure of your- CD.

feel unsure. Honor a change in perspec- Actress Kim Novak (1933), singer Peter tive. A family member might be hiding Gabriel (1950), talk-show host Jerry

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at decisions. You might not be sure of yourself, as much as you would like to be. http://www.jacquelinebigar.com. © 2001 by King Features Syndicate Inc.







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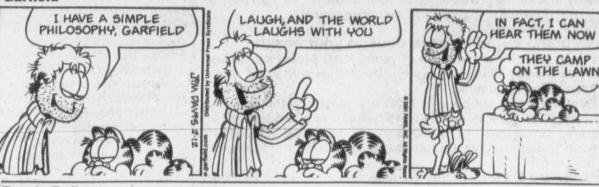
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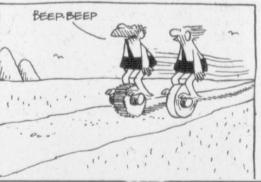
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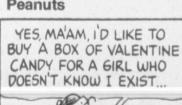




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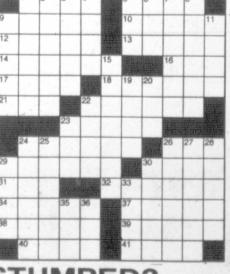
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SPORTS

Notebook

SOCCER

PAMPA — Registration for the Spring 2001 season of the Pampa Soccer Association will be held Saturday. This registration is only for players who did not sign up last August for the fall season.

New players may sign up at T-Shirts & More, 111 W. Kingsmill, in downtown Pampa between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Team practices will begin March 5 with the first game being held March 17.

Additionally, a Coaches "F-Level" Clinic will be held March 3 from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at place yet to be determined.

For additional information, call 665-3036.

PAMPA — The Pampa Soccer Booster Club meets at 7 tonight in the Ready Room at the high school athletic building. The public is invited to attend.

AMARILLO - In between all the snow and ice that has plagued the area, the Pampa girls' soccer team finally got to play a match last weekend.

The results were good as Misti Northcutt's penalty kick gave the Lady Harvesters a 1-0 District 3-4Å win over Canyon.

Danielle Martinez, Jessica Burns and co-captain Sarah Porter, in addition to Northcutt, had an outstanding game, according to coach Lori Patulea.

Patulea said seven great saves were made by goalkeeper Leslie McWilliams.

Pampa plays matches Tuesday at Borger and Wednesday at Caprock.

In another district match last weekend, Randall shut out Caprock 7-0.

Pampa swimmers qualify for state meet

swim team came close to coming away with a team championship at the Region 1-5A Meet Saturday at the Pete Ragus Aquatic Center.

Pecos. The Lady Harvesters will send Andrea Branchetti, Misty 1:01.07. Moman and 400-free relay squad to the state meet.

Pampa's 400-meter relay squad of Moman, Kelly Stowers, Tamra 2:04.73. Henthorn and Branchetti won 4:01.59. Pecos was second in

Branchetti won the 200-yard points. individual medley with a 2:18.04

stroke with a time of 1:10.76.

Henthorn took second in the Pampa finished with 70 points 200 freestyle with a time of the 100 freestyle with a time of

Stowers was third in the 200 freestyle with a time of 2:15.52. Branchetti won two individual Pampa's 200-medley relay titles and Moman one to lead the team of Branchetti, Megan David, Moman and Branchetti was second with a time of

In the boys' division, Pampa their event easily with a time of placed fifth in the team standings with 22 points:

Pecos won the team title with 125 Willie Griffin was second in the

LUBBOCK - The Pampa girls' and the 100 backstroke in 1:04.46. 500 free with a 5:22.54. The 400- and Sturgill was seventh in the Moman took first in the 100 free relay team of Ben Whitten, boys' division. butterfly with a 1:09.90. She also Doug Warren, Clay David and placed third in the 100 back- Griffin finished third with a than 15 years that Pampa has had

"Pampa qualified nine boys and eight girls for the finals," just 20 points behind first-place 2:13.44. She also placed third in said Pampa coach Amy Howard. "Going into the finals on Saturday, the girls' team was sitting in first place. The final races were excellent."

> The state meet will be held Feb. 23-24 in Austin.

David Fatheree has been assisting head coach Amy Howard with Pampa's diving program this season.

Pampa freshmen divers Jessica Hall and Jon Sturgill were entered in the regional meet. Hall was fifth in the girls' division

This is the first time in more a diving program.

> Region 1-44 Swim Meet Pampa results Girls

Second place: Andrea Branchetti, Megan David, Misty Moman and Tamra Henthom, 2:04.73, State Qualifier. 200 freestyle

Second place: Tamra Henthorn, 2:13.44, State Qualifier, Third place: Kelly Stowers, 2:15.52. 100 backstroke First place: Andrea Branchetti, 1:04.46, State Qualifier, Third place: Misty Moman, 1:10.76. 100 breaststroke
Fourth place: Megan David, 1:22.65; Sixth place:

Jessica Hall, 1:23.70. 400 freestyle relay
First place: Misty Moman, Kelley Stowers, Tamra
Henthorn and Andrea Branchetti, 4:01.59, State

200 individual medley First place: Andrea Branchetti, 2:18.04.

50 freestyle Seventh place: Desiree Vigil, 0:29.22.

100 butterfly First place: Misty Moman, 1:09.90, State

Third place: Tamra Henthorn, 1:01.07; Seventh place: Kelley Stowers, 1:02.21.

200 freestyle relay
Sixth place: Desiree Vigil, Jessica White, Megan David and Kelley Stowers, 1:57.34.

200-medley relay Seventh place: Doug Warren, Willie Griffin, Ben Whitten and Clay David, 1:59.05. 200 freestyle Fifth place: Clay David, 1:58.60; Eighth place

Joe Johnson, 2:05.56. 100 backstroke Sixth place: Kody Kirldand, 1:04.17; Eighth place:

400 freestyle relay
Third place: Ben Whitten, Doug Warren, Clay
David and Willie Griffin, 3:42.07, State Qualifier. 200 medley Eighth place: Michael Eskridge, 2:23.40.

100 butterfly Eighth place: Ben Whitten, 1:04.78. 100 freestyle Fourth place: Willie Griffin, 0:53.40; Seventh

place: Clay David, 0:54.59. 500 freestyle Second place: Willie Griffin, 5;22.54, State



Weston Teichmann, 13, of Pampa shot this 8-point buck Nov. 26 in Wheeler County. The buck had a 17 1/2 inch inside spread. Weston was hunting with his dad, David.



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Boys Schedule...

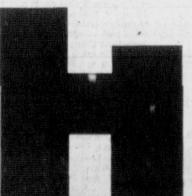
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Pro Rassin' is coming to town

If you can't decide if professional wrestling is a sport, entertainment, a little of both, or none of the above, you can make another judgement this weekend.

That's because a group billed as "Wrestling's World Super Stars" is coming to Pampa on Friday night for a 7:30 performance.

Promoter Chris Walker of Amarillo was in Pampa last week gathering support for the event. He went away pleased with the response.

"The people of Pampa have treated us extremely well. For this we would like to thank the people of Pampa and the surrounding area. Thank you so much for your cooperation," Walker said. "This will ensure that wrestling will return permanently to the Pampa area. More events are being planned for the future.

Doors open at 6 at Clyde Carruth Livestock Pavilion. Tickets will be seven dollars for adults and five dollars for children under 12. Children under weights 280 without his motorcycle.



D. Strate **Sports** Editor

five will be admitted free.

"We hope to see the entire community turn out. We've signed some of the top athletes of the Tri-State area for this special event," Walker said.

The event, known as "Wrestling-Lucha Libra", will feature 230-pound Chris Youngblood of Amarillo versus Angel of Darkness in the main event. The 245-pound Angel lists his address as Parts Unknown, of course.

There's also a semi-main event with 238-pound Mark Youngblood of Amarillo going against Big Biker Animal of Albuquerque, N.M., who

Some WWS Junior title matches are on the agenda. Radical Ricky Romero III is the defending champion at 175 pounds. He takes on 170-pound Bulldog Redd of Borger.

Other Junior matches include Kid Thunder of Santa Fe, N.M. vs. Mighty Mouse Monster of Dallas, and Doink The Clown vs. The Fireman.

Walker guarantees a clean show, none of that x-rated WWF stuff so prominently displayed on television.

"I want to stress that there's not going to be any vulgarity. I know there are some of these matches that have a bad reputation, but this will be something the entire family can enjoy," Walker said.

Also, an informal autograph party will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday at Wal-Mart. Youngblood and Ricky Romero have plans to be there. Others may be, also.

For more information on upcoming matches around the area, Walker can be contacted at Romero's Academy of Wrestling at 806-376-6936.

Michelson guts out bizarre win

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Phil Mickelson spent recover from food poisoning that kept him the '99 British Open at Carnoustie, when he from practicing and barely strong enough to needed a double bogey to win and stagfelt sick to his stomach.

Losing to Mickelson on the third playoff was the score Mickelson required — a dou-

'Winning feels great," Mickelson said of his 18th career victory, none of them even remotely resembling this sideshow. "It doesn't really matter how.'

winner of the Buick

Like in any playoff, winning required a lining the canyon at Torrey Pines. mixture of skill and luck. In Mickelson's case, he also needed more help than anyone should expect.

With Tiger Woods having missed the threeman playoff by 2 strokes and Davis Love III eliminated on the second extra hole, Mickelson did everything possible to hand Lickliter his first victory after 158 starts on

"I'm still in shock," Lickliter said, fighting back tears just moments after a three-putt than making it," Lickliter said of his bogey from 12 feet for triple bogey. "Other than getting stupid, I felt I played pretty good."

Mickelson fanned his drive on the 425-

flat piece of ground in play, and victory was all but assured.

course, but his spirit lives.

Lickliter pulled out his driver. What followed was a mighty lash and words that can't be repeated as the ball followed

Mickelson's straight into the canyon. "The worst swing I made all week,"

Last year, the biggest star in 21 drivers.

The Intimidator — who had said just 70 laps.

NASCAR history invoked the

the engine package for the track

"Well, I'd say he'd be jumping up

tweaks of the racing package had

the cars running side-by-side

three abreast with considerable

He wasn't alone. In his corner

around power-robbing carbure-

long time," Stewart said after

serves as the first tuneup for next

Daytona 500. "It gave us oppor-

Superspeedway last October

It was something that I don't

think anybody has seen here for a Wallace.

season-opening

Budweiser Shootout.

kind of racing.

passing.

Helton said.

tor plates.

Sunday's

around in them."

— Dale Earnhardt has for the last enlarged to permit more air into

few years panned racing at the carburetor, increasing power

Daytona International Speedway. and creating quicker throttle

name of the founder of stock car year's pole winners, was just as

racing's premier circuit in his cri- impressive. There were 19 lead

tique of its marquee event. But changes among seven drivers in

ruined the Daytona 500 — was around, a lot of passing," Jeremy

full of praise Sunday after finish- Mayfield said. "I was pretty com-

"I made the comment that Bill magnificent last year on the 2

France Sr. was probably turning 1/2-mile oval, finishing second

over in his grave about that kind in the Daytona 500 and winning

and down this year about this changes, which include the rear

What had become a single-file, placed horizontally across the

190-mph parade virtually devoid roof of each car, might have

of meaningful passes, apparently made the Fords inferior to the

has been black-flagged. A few Chevrolets, Pontiacs and perhaps

Sunday, two and occasionally complaining, but we're just

"I thought it was a good Ford in the field that had a

way it is."

show," NASCAR president Mike chance to win, and that's just the

were many of the drivers who the three-time and defending 500

dislike the package designed champion, wasn't as pessimistic

winning the non-points race that Stewart and Winston Cup cham-

tunities to really race each other Shootout last year. "They could

in the cars instead of just riding get to the front and seemed to be

Stewart thought NASCAR stay there, they could get back

ing second to Tony Stewart in the fortable and pretty happy.

of racing," Earnhardt recalled. the Pepsi 400 in July.

the week at the Buick Invitational trying to when Van de Velde played the final hole of win. play. In the end, it was Frank Lickliter who gered to a triple bogey, eventually losing in when his 4-iron buried into the face of the

Both players hit provisional tee shots in save par. hole Sunday was bad enough. Worse yet the fairway, assuming the balls would never be found. Both of them were, meaning win, Love was close to making it two in a Mickelson and Lickliter had to pick up their row. He started the final round with a 1second tee shots and hit them again.

"If you find the ball, the provisional is no good," Lickliter said.

Lickliter split the middle with his third Mickelson became the first three-time shot, while Mickelson against pushed his to the right and began screaming at the trees

"Oh, no! Spit it out," he implored.

approach within 25 feet for a 2-putt double

Lickliter nailed his wedge within 12 feet, but then hit his first putt about 4 feet by. Imminent victory was gone. Another playoff hole was the best he could do.

He missed again. "I wasn't thinking about anything other putt. "I felt like I hit a good putt, and I hit a

better one on the second one. yard 17th hole over the trees and into a finish, the best he has done in six years on for the lead. He shot 67 and wound up 2 canyon. All Lickliter had to do was find a tour. His other second place was at Pebble strokes back and in fourth place, his best Beach in 1999, when the late Payne Stewart finish of the year. hit a 5-iron within a couple of inches on the Jean Van de Velde was already off the 18th in the third round for a 1-stroke lead, "I got it around and scored, and that's the and the final round was washed out by rain. name of the game."

"It's tough to swallow," Lickliter said. That's the outcome I have to take." Love almost felt as bad.

All three finished at 19-under 269. All of them had eagle putts on the 72nd hole that would have won. All of them had eagle said.

Earnhardt again likes racing at Daytona

car lengths.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) when the holes in the plates were ment of the finish of the race.

Now, he's offering a very favor- response. The 188-lap Winston got it back the next time around.

500 had 49 lead changes among

The Shootout, an event for last

There was a lot of moving

Jeff Burton wasn't. He was

Burton thinks the aero

spoiler and a new metal strip

"I hate to start the year off

slow," he said after finishing fifth

in a field of 18. "There's not a

Fellow Ford driver Dale Jarrett,

after running fourth behind the

Pontiac of Stewart, Earnhardt's

Jarrett was impressed with

"The Pontiacs looked awfully

good," said Jarrett, who won the

able to stay there. If they couldn't

Chevy and the Ford of Rusty

pion Bobby Labonte.

even the new Dodges.

What followed was a scene as bizarre as putts on the 18th in the first playoff hole to

Love missed from 12 feet in the playoff, and was gone on the second extra hole bunker on the par-3 16th, and he couldn't

After going 62 tournaments without a stroke lead and closed with a 67

Mickelson and Lickliter each had 66s. "Like I said yesterday, I needed to shoot the low round of the day," said Love, who closed with a 67. "That would have done it. I didn't play great, but it was fun to be

Lickliter played like a tested veteran until They did, but still left him a miserable lie, the final hole. He made a 35-foot birdie putt and Mickelson was lucky to hit his on the 17th and 2-putted for birdie on the 18th to get into the playoff.

> Mickelson, meanwhile, squandered a 2stroke lead on the back nine and missed a 12foot eagle putt on the 72nd hole for the win. He emerged the winner, earning \$630,000

> and winning for the fifth time in the last 12 months. The only guy who's won more than that is Woods, with seven victories (three of

Woods tried to make it interesting until he missed a 15-foot eagle putt on the last hole He had to settle for his second runner-up that would have given him a temporary tie

"I felt like I played all right," Woods said.

The name of the game is winning, and there's only one each week. Mickelson didn't care how it came about, but he was sympathetic about the way it ended.

"It certainly was not a normal week," he

"We learned quite a bit," the

Dale Earnhardt Jr. wound up

Mayfield was one of only two

sixth in a Chevy, followed by

drivers who failed to finished the

two-time Daytona 500 champion

said. "The biggest thing we need-

Earnhardt took the lead from Cup racing after a 17-year

race-high 36 laps and beat seven- ed to do was run the whole race.

time series champion Earnhardt We just need to work on our han-

the race. But he wasn't discour- race. The engine in his Ford

Stars, Blues battle to deadlock

by 0.145-seconds — about two dling package a little.'

aged by a finish of 12th in the broke after just 30 laps.

for the 500 in qualifying Labonte's Pontiac.

absence.

Stewart with two laps remaining.

Stewart led four times for a

Bill Elliott, who won the pole

Saturday, never got into con-

tention with the only Dodge in

Blues were pleased with their perfor-

mance over the weekend against two

of the Western Conference's top

Saturday night, and they followed

that with Sunday night's 3-3 tie with

Blues coach Joel Quenneville said.

"It was a hard-fought game all

St. Louis, 3-1-3 in its last seven

games, had the best scoring oppor-

tunity 30 seconds into overtime, but

'It's too bad, but I had a chance,'

The Blues are still without injured

defensemen Chris Pronger (knee)

and Al MacInnis (eye), but defense-

man Sean Hill (abdominal strain)

and goalie Roman Turek (elbow)

returned to the lineup. Hill missed

all the injuries," Quenneville said.

11:36 left in regulation to tie it.

It's just been a tough stretch with

"To come back from 3-1 against

Scott Young's shot hit the goalpost.

Young said. "It definitely would

have made it a great weekend."

the Dallas Stars.

The Blues won 4-3 at Colorado on

'Tonight was a character builder,"

But Stewart was too strong and

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DALLAS (AP) — The St. Louis a roll, they play a terrific team game So for us, it's a good tie.' Grambling St. 86, Prairie View 73 Hampton 78, Morgan St. 67 The Stars bounced back from Friday night's 2-1 home loss to expansion Minnesota, but Dallas is only 2-4-1 in its last seven. James Madison 66, Richmond 63 Kentucky 76, Mississippi St. 57 "It was a good rebound game," said Stars center Mike Modano, who ouisiana-Monroe 86, Nicholls St. had a goal and an assist. "In the past, MVSU 81. Alcorn St. 62 McNeese St. 61, Lamar 52 we've been good at regrouping after Memphis 91. Tulane 64 bad games. This was a good come-Mercer 82, UCF 72 back against a good team. Mississippi 87, Tennessee 71 Murray St. 92, E. Illinois 77 The Blues came back from a 1-0 deficit behind consecutive secondperiod goals by Pierre Turgeon, Scott Norfolk St. 80, Coppin St. 71 North Carolina 96, Maryland 82 Mellanby and Jochen Hecht to take a Mellanby was acquired from the

Florida Panthers on Friday and made his Blues debut. But Dallas got close on a powerplay goal from Joe Nieuwendyk at

16:21 of the second. Zubov tied it at 3 with his seventh goal of the season on a slap shot that got past Turek, the former Stars backup, who was screened on the play. *Turek, who had missed the three previous games with the elbow

But we're good at overcoming injury, finished with 20 saves. But allowing three power-play goals Sergei Zubov scored Dallas' third took some of the luster off of the tie. power-play goal of the game with

"The Stars are tough on the power play," Turek said. "They have two guys in front of the net to cause

Scoreboard

All Times EST EASTERN CONFERENCE

Miami	30	20	.600	6	
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New Jersey	17	34	.333	19 1/2	
Washington	12	37	.245	23 1/2	
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Milwaukee	29	18	.617	-	
Toronto	26	23	.531	4	
Charlotte	26	25	.510	5	
Indiana	21	27	.438	8 1/2	
Cleveland	20	27	.426	9	
Detroit	19	31	.380	11 1/2	
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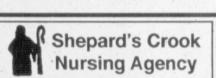
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Specter: Clinton 'technically' could be impeached again

to remove him, could technically face new have anybody in mind," he added. impeachment charges over his last-minute par-

research led him to believe a former president removal from office.
"technically could still be impeached." He did not Rich was among 1 suggest what the specific charges might be.

Clinton spokeswoman Julia Payne shot back: 'Give me a break. What's clear here, by the continued piling-on of the Republicans on President eight great years of progress and prosperity the Iran. American people enjoyed under him.'

Legal scholars were divided on whether the Constitution allows Congress to pursue an impeachment case — either over a president's use Clinton's Senate campaign. Denise Rich also of his pardon power or against a chief executive reportedly donated some \$450,000 to the former who has left office.

The Senate's second-ranking Republican leader, Don Nickles of Oklahoma, opposed a new impeachment case. But he did raise the possibilipresident's pension, office rent allowance and other administrative expenses.

Under questioning, Specter said, "I'm not suggesting that it should be done, but President Clinton technically could still be impeached." He added, "I don't think that trial would take too

Specter said Clinton "avoided a conviction on impeachment the last time around because he had not lost the confidence of the American people, and we didn't want to shake up the government, but he's not in office anymore.

In impeachment proceedings, the House brings charges and the Senate tries the case. Specter said under the Constitution.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Former President "someone" in the House could soon talk about Clinton, who survived a Senate trial on whether possible articles of impeachment. "No, I don't

Clinton was impeached by the House in don of fugitive financier Marc Rich, a senior December 1998 on allegations of perjury and Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee obstruction of justice involving testimony about his affair with White House intern Monica Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, inter- Lewinsky. In February 1999, the Senate voted to viewed on "Fox News Sunday," said legal acquit Clinton, with Specter opposing his

Rich was among 140 Americans pardoned by Clinton two hours before he left office on Jan. 20. He has lived in Switzerland since just before he was indicted in the United States in 1983 on charges he evaded more than \$48 million in taxes, Clinton, is that what they'd like to impeach is the fraud and participating in illegal oil deals with

> Republicans have noted that Rich's former wife, Denise, was a major contributor to the Democratic Party and to Hillary Rodham president's library foundation.

Democrats have not defended Clinton's pardon

"I think either the president had an incredible ty of using other methods to reduce the former lapse in memory or was brain-dead when he did that one," Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware, ranking Democrat on the Judiciary Committee, told Fox.

Clinton has insisted that Rich deserved the pardon on the merits.

Specter suggested the former president could be stripped of "the emoluments of office, such as the substantial sums being spent on the library, such as the bodyguards, such as his pension."

At a Judiciary Committee hearing Wednesday, Specter plans to seek support for a constitutional amendment that would give Congress the power to overturn a presidential pardon by a two-thirds vote. The president's power to pardon is absolute

of the building, said he was con-

cerned about McVeigh seeing

revolutionary who believes he is Earl Turner," Heath said, refer-

ring to the main character of the

Turner Diaries." A copy of the

book was in McVeigh's car when

in purshing for a closed-circuit

telecast of the execution, he said

he vehemently opposes a public

"I would withdraw all eight

execution off television," he said.

Julie, was killed in the bombing,

said he thinks McVeigh is suici-

dal and the execution would be

similar to assisted suicide. Welch

has become a vocal opponent of

'He is obviously not of a stable

McVeigh would be the first fed-

eral inmate executed since 1963.

He dropped all appeals in

January and has until Friday to

seek clemency from President

the death penalty in recent years.

agree on that," Welch said.

Bud Welch, whose daughter,

Although Heath was involved

"I believe he is a delusional

himself as a hero.

he was arrested.

Texas round up

Texas seeing red ink as Bush pushes national tax cut

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Some Texas legislators are questioning the legacy of tax cuts George W. Bush left as governor amid a current revenue crunch, even as Bush as president is pushing his national plan for a \$1.6 trillion reduction over a 10year period.

As governor, Bush pushed through the Texas Legislature a package of \$1.85 billion in cuts to property, business and sales taxes two years ago. The state had predicted a large surplus for the com-

ing two-year budget cycle. But with some saying that higher-than-expected costs on Medicaid and other unanticipated expenses have essentially wiped out projections of a surplus, state Sen. Eddie Lucio is calling for emergency legislation that would undo the property tax cuts

"We should consider bringing that to an immediate halt," said Lucio, a Brownsville Democrat. "Politically, it was the right thing to do ... (but) from a fiscal standpoint, I think we put ourselves in the

Bush championed.

The legislation would require the approval of current Republican Gov. Rick Perry.

Kathy Walt, a Perry spokeswoman, noted that the governor "does not believe there is a fiscal crisis" and thinks the Legislature can pass a balanced budget that meets Texans' needs.

Walt did not want to address aspects of the legislation, which has not yet been filed.

But Sen. Chris Harris, R-Arlington, is questioning the wisdom of the tax-cut package pushed through the Legislature in 1999 with Bush's enthusiastic

State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander's office had earlier predicted that half of a \$2.9 billion surplus over the next two years will be eaten by cost overruns in the current budget.

Two inmates charged with

murdering another prisoner HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Two Texas prisoners, one serving a life sentence for capital murder and the other jailed for aggravated robbery, have been indicted by a Polk County grand jury and charged with murdering another convict.

Authorities said James Wilson, 27, was a minimum custody inmate at the Terrell Unit who had no cell mate when he was murdered July 17 by Ennis Coleman, 23, and Christopher Alford, 28.

Wilson was found lying on his back as guards made their rounds, a shoestring tied around his neck. Corrections officers unsuccessfully attempted to revive Wilson, who was pronounced dead at the Livingston-area unit's infirmary.

Wilson arrived in prison Nov. 20, 1998, on a fiveyear sentence for burglary in Lubbock County.

Coleman and Alford will be arraigned March 9, and both are expected to enter pleas of innocence, the Huntsville Item reported in Sunday editions. Coleman, who was serving a life sentence for a

capital murder conviction from Harris County, was charged with murder and capital murder. Alford, who was serving a Dallas County sentence on an aggravated robbery with a deadly

weapon conviction, was charged only with mur-Violent attacks in Texas prisons have increased

more than tenfold in the past decade, figures from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice show. The trend is blamed on lengthier sentences, elim-

ination of mandatory parole, fewer paroles and the strengthening of prison gangs.

TDCJ figures show the 923 percent increase in

reports of violent crimes, from 1,434 in 1990 to 14,669 in 1999, has outpaced the jump in the inmate population.

mind, and I think we can all Texas students look to give NPS first 3D Statue of Liberty view

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — At 151 feet tall and a weight of 225 tons, the Statue of Liberty is among the world's most recognized ladies.

To ensure the statue's stately image remains intact, the National Park Service is calling on a team of Texas Tech students and faculty to survey her copper skin.

The team will use a laser to measure the statue's surface, said Paul Dolinsky, chief of the Historic American Buildings Survey, an NPS division. The group will run a test case in March to try some new laser measuring technology with a Cyrax laser, he

"And once we know that this approach will work ... we'll establish a budget to fund the survey project," Dolinsky said.

The survey will give the Park Service its first three-dimensional, measured drawing of the statue, Dolinsky said.

John White, professor and assistant academic dean at Tech's College of Architecture, has worked

with the Park Service every summer for 27 years. The laser, used in conjunction with a computerimaging technology, will produce highly accurate measurements of the statue's exterior, White said.

The statue's copper sheeting "skin" is only /32nd inch thick.

The Park Service wants to know its condition, White said.

The laser will let the surveyors avoid using scaffolding. Instead, the architects will stand at ground level and scan specific sections of the statue, marked with targets strategically placed on the copper surface. Images will be stored on a laptop computer at the site, and later developed into drawings in the College of Architecture at Tech.

Atlantis astronauts gear up for second spacewalk

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — A day after opening the doors to Destiny, astronauts aboard space shuttle Atlantis had two main tasks: move a docking port and continue outfitting the new lab during a spacewalk.

On Monday, astronaut Marsha Ivins was set to use the shuttle's robotic arm to place a docking port at the end of Destiny, the international space sta-

tion's new science laboratory. The port, which will serve as the primary shuttle docking location for the next several missions, had been moved to a temporary location during the mission's first spacewalk Saturday so the lab could

be attached to station Alpha. Spacewalkers Thomas Jones and Robert Curbeam Jr. were expected to help Ivins with her task and also attach various equipment and fixtures to the exterior of the \$1.4 billion lab, including the future connection point for the space station's robotic arm

due to be brought up in April. If the docking port can't be attached to Destiny, it would halt future space station construction. Another mission would have to be scheduled or the next one in early March would have to be revamped in order to get the docking port connected, flight director Bob Castle said.

Mexican president's hometown prepares for Bush, but many already in U.S.

SAN CRISTOBAL, Mexico (AP) - When President Bush comes to this village baked by dust and sun on Friday, he will see newly planted grass, freshly painted walls and gleaming telephone poles that soon will connect San Cristobal to the world.

What he is unlikely to see are the village's poor peasants and the bleak choice they have long lived with: Work for the family of President Vicente Fox for subsistence wages, or cross illegally into the United States to try to make their fortune.

Illegal immigration is expected to figure at the top of the agenda when Fox and the former Texas governor meet on Bush's first foreign trip as U.S. president. It would be hard to find a more appropriate place to discuss it.

Rita Cruz, 23, said almost all the men in San Cristobal are either in the United States or have spent years there. Seven of her nine brothers are there, as are two uncles and countless cousing

It's hard to do much with the wages paid by the Fox family, which is pretty much the only employer in town. Laborers currently make about \$8 a day, better than in many rural communities in Mexico, but hardly a living.

Ausencio Nila, 80, sat in front of his house holding a cowboy hat and a warped wooden cane. He is crippled by rheumatism, he says from more than 40 years of working in the fields of the Fox

Six years ago, when he could no longer walk, he

said he asked his boss - Fox's brother Jose whether he could retire.

Fox has said he plans to lobby Bush for a visa program that would allow Mexican workers to cross legally into the United States to work temporarily - an idea that has received support from the Bush administration and Republican members of Congress.

Elsewhere

SPIN CITY: They were described as a violent gang of murderers, robbers and abusers with nothing to lose. The seven escaped convicts inspired fear and panic during their month on the lam, accused of staging several robberies, killing a police officer and amassing an arsenal of weapons before their arrests last month in Colorado. Just how bad are these bad guys? "I never wanted bloodshed in the beginning," insisted ringleader George Rivas. "It wasn't supposed to happen." Explanations, excuses, claims of "I didn't do it on purpose." Experts say they're all part of the escapees' deliberate attempts to reshape their image and invite sympathy before facing capital murder charges in the death of Irving officer Aubrey Hawkins. ...

McVeigh called 'delusional,' for seeking public execution

Oklahoma City bombing lic' execution — allow a public rebuked Timothy McVeigh's sug- broadcast." gestion that his execution be publicly broadcast.

"Are citizens going to see this national broadcast was not an sitting in a bar?" asked Tom option. Kight, whose daughter, Frankie

Merrell, died in the explosion. follow him, the right-wing anti- response to a lawsuit filed by government people? I think Tim eight survivors and victims' fam-

McVeigh, 32, is set to be executed May 16 by injection at the federal penitentiary in Terre Haute, have allowed relatives of murder Ind., for his role in the April 19, victims to watch executions on names off the petition to keep the 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. closed-circuit television. Murrah Federal Building. The bombing killed 168 people and

injured 500. Sunday Oklahoman, McVeigh letter. suggested that for all who wish

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — access, "a reasonable solution Veterans Affairs on the fifth floor Relatives of those killed in the seems obvious: hold a true 'pub-

Federal Bureau of Prisons spokesman Dan Dunne said a

"It hasn't even been consid- anti-government book, "The ered. It won't happen," he said. What about the people who McVeigh wrote the letter in would like to go out a martyr," he ily members asking for a closedcircuit telecast of the execution. The prisons bureau is considering such a telecast. Several states broadcast

"It has ... been said that all of Oklahoma was a victim of the bombing. Can all of Oklahoma In a letter published in The watch?" he wrote in the Feb. 1

Paul Heath, a psychologist who to view the execution to have fair worked for the Department of

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Texas Department of Transportation will host an Informational Meeting on February 22, 2001 concerning the planning of future projects.

This informational meeting is held to explain how the department plans transportation projects. We would like to receive the public's input regarding the current Transportation Improvement Plan for the district.

The meeting will be Thursday, February 22, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. It will be located at the Borger Chamber of Commerce, 613 Main Street, Borger Texas.

The meeting will cover transportation plans for all areas of the Panhandle and the city of Amarillo. An overall view of the planning process will be presented, as well as their criteria used for selecting individual projects. Draft versions of current transportation plans will be presented at the meeting for public comment.

The public is invited to speak regarding projects currently being planned or any additional projects that might be proposed: however speakers will be limited to five minutes. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding any project may be submitted at the meeting. Written statements and other exhibits may be submitted to the District Office at 5715 Canyon Drive (P.O. Box 2708) Amarillo, Texas 79105. Comments must be received no later than March 8, 2001.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this public meeting. Persons interested in attending the meeting whom have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Cheryl Luther at 806.356.3249. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

