

OBITUARIES

PAUL POLASEK 1924 - 2002

DUMAS — Paul Polasek, 77, died Wednesday, April 17, 2002, at Wheeler. Services will be at 2 p.m., Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Darrell Wait, pastor of First Christian Church of Dumas, officiating with the Rev. Garry Schwalk, minister of Education at Dumas First Baptist Church, and Eugene Polasek, son, assisting. Burial will be in Northlawn Memorial Gardens in Dumas under the direction of Morrison Funeral Directors of Dumas. A flag presentation will be provided courtesy of American Legion Post 224 of Dumas.

Mr. Polasek was born July 8, 1924, at Caddo, Okla. He married Anna M. "Ann" Jones on June 4, 1950, in Floyd county, Texas; she died March 17, 1996. A Dumas and Moore County resident since 1964, he retired from Excell Helium in 1969 and worked for various school districts in the panhandle for 16 years.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II.

Survivors include a son, Eugene Polasek of Pampa; two brothers, Houston Polasek of Abilene and Bill Polasek of Ropesville; and three sisters, Mary Gestes of Wayside, Alice Barron of Wayside and Barbara Bell of Ruidoso, N.M.; and two grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors from 5-7 p.m., today at the funeral home and requests memorials be to Freedom Museum USA, 600 N. Hobart St., Pampa, TX 79065 or to Youth Fund, First Baptist Church, Box 617, Dumas, TX 79029.



MARY E. CRAIG 1918 - 2002

FAIRFIELD, Iowa — Mary E. Craig, 83, died Thursday, April 18, 2002, at Parkview Care Center in Fairfield. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m., today at Fell Cemetery with the Rev. Gerre Joiner officiating. Burial will be in Fell Cemetery in Libertyville, Iowa, under the direction of Behner Funeral Home of Fairfield.

Mrs. Craig was born Aug. 12, 1918, at Tocoa, Ga., to David B. and Minnie Harrell Eskew. She married Homer L. Craig at Fort

Worth, Texas; he died Nov. 16, 1980. She moved to Fairfield in 1998.

She was a homemaker and a member of Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Frank Eskew.

Survivors include a son, Dan Craig of Fairfield; a daughter, Jo Joiner of Decatur; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

CRAWFORD "BROWNIE" HUGHES 1910 - 2002

Crawford "Brownie" Hughes, 91, died Thursday, April 18, at Amarillo, Texas. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Hughes born May 27, 1910, at Mangum, Okla. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1928. He married Carrie Converse in 1933 in Cheyenne, Okla. He was a farmer, and on March 3, 1940, he began working for Cities Service, retiring in 1969. He then worked as a carpenter in his own cabinet shop.

He was preceded in death by a son, Albert Dale Hughes, in 1934.

Survivors include his wife, Carrie, of the home; two daughters, Gay Carol Best of Hot Springs, Ark., and Jerry Louise Evan of Abilene; a brother, Mose Hughes of Pampa; a sister, Veda Downs of Amarillo; five grandchildren, Tammie Hill and Traci Skinner, both of Pampa, Randy Best of Texas City, Crawford Dale Phillips of Jessville, Ark., and Wade Carl Phillips of Alexandria, La.; 11 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176.

SERVICES TOMORROW

POLASEK, Paul — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Dumas.

ON RECORD

POLICE

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

Thursday, April 18

An assault by contact with no injuries was reported in the 100 block of South Russell.

William Anthony Sharp, 21, 1017 Mary Ellen, was arrested on DPS warrants from Childress County for no insurance, failure to appear, no valid motorcycle endorsement, no motorcycle helmet, speeding.

Cecil Ward Dowdy, 36, 1113 Campanella Dr., arrested on warrants for public intoxication and violation of probation/DWI - third offense.

Friday, April 19

Silent, abusive 911 calls were reported in

the 1100 block of South Dwight.

Kenneth Kermit Hartley, 35, 1133 Dwight, arrested for silent or abusive calls to 911, assault by threat, disorderly conduct/ language.

An aggravated assault/ domestic with no injuries was reported in the 1000 block of North Hobart.

A domestic assault with bodily injury to a family member was reported in the 1000 block of Mary Ellen.

Eric Jeron Hmielenski, 31, 1017 Mary Ellen, arrested for assault causing serious bodily injury to a family member.

A \$10 gas drive-off and the theft of cigarettes valued at \$37.71 were reported in separate incidents at Allsup's, 1900 N. Hobart.

FIRE

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

Thursday, April 18

3:35 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a report of suspicious mail in the 600 block of Campbell. No hazard was found.

SHERIFF

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

Thursday, April 18

Ignacio Vargas III, 28, 525 N. Sumner, assault causing bodily injury.

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AMBULANCE

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

Thursday, April 18

7:15 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC.

10:43 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC.

11:34 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a mutual aid call for a motor vehicle accident at mile marker 144 on Interstate 40; one was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy and breezy with 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs should be 80 to 85. North to northeast winds 10 to 20 mph increasing to 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Caution advised on area lakes. Tonight, cloudy. A 70 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some storms may be severe. Lows near 50. Northeast winds 10 to 20 mph with gusts to 30 mph.

Saturday, cloudy with areas of morning fog possible. A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 68. Northeast winds 10 to 20 mph. Saturday night, partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows near 47. Sunday becoming mostly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 70. Sunday evening, partly cloudy. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows around 50. Highs around 75. Tuesday through Thursday, partly cloudy. Lows 55 to 60. Highs around 80.

STATEWIDE

More rain and cooler temperatures — that's the National Weather Service's outlook for Texas for Friday night and Saturday.

Areas of morning fog are likely for the Amarillo area Saturday morning, with a chance of rain and thunderstorms later.

Some storms, possibly severe, are expected Friday night in the Lubbock area and continuing into the weekend.

Some storms may produce large hail and damaging winds in the Odessa-Midland area. Daytime temperatures in the 80s and 90s were expected to cool into the 60s after sunset. In far West Texas, skies should turn partly cloudy Friday night with a chance of thunderstorms through the weekend.

Highs in the hill country should be in the 80s and 90s, dropping to near 70 Friday night with a chance of rain.

South Texas was expected to be mostly cloudy throughout Friday, with the temperatures dropping from the 80s into the lower 70s after dark.

Convicted killer in gun burglary executed

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A quiet Gerald Casey was executed Thursday evening for killing a 22-year-old woman in a scheme to steal a gun collection from a home northeast of Houston nearly 13 years ago.

The twice-convicted burglar, asked if he had a final statement, said, "No, I don't."

He took one breath, appeared to gulp, then slipped into unconsciousness as four

members of his victim's family watched through a window.

As the lethal drugs began taking effect, he turned from fair-skinned to a vivid shade of purple. He was pronounced dead at 6:18 p.m., eight minutes after the drugs were administered.

Casey, 47, had hoped to sell the weapons to raise money so he and his girlfriend could go to Florida, testimony at his

capital murder trial showed.

Casey instead got a trip to death row and the girlfriend, Carla Smith, received a 10-year prison sentence for her part in the plot that left Sonya Howell dead in a mobile home in New Caney in Montgomery County.

Howell, who was a friend of Smith, was shot nine times with a .22-caliber pistol in the July 10, 1989, attack.

Settlement negotiations break down between U.S., Andersen

WASHINGTON (AP) — Arthur Andersen LLP may be headed toward a trial on criminal obstruction charges for the destruction of Enron Corp. documents following a breakdown in negotiations between federal prosecutors and the accounting firm.

The settlement talks abruptly collapsed Thursday after a lawyer for Andersen notified Justice Department attorneys that the company was not in a position to make a decision on any criminal settlement.

"We just agreed that we're just not there right now," the Andersen lawyer, Rusty Hardin, said. "We rejected certain proposals by the government and agreed to continue to review other proposals of the government, but we could not complete that review within the time frame the government was demanding."

The Justice Department, which had set a deadline for an agreement from Andersen, indicated it would begin looking to the May 6 trial date. "We are continuing to prepare for trial," Justice spokesman Bryan Sierra said.

Both Hardin and company spokesman Patrick Dorton left open the possibility that negotiations could resume.

The collapse of secret negotiations occurred after the outlines of a deal had been struck, and the sides had expected to announce a settlement this week.

In recent days, Andersen's lawyers could not agree with government lawyers on specific language admitting guilt in illegally destroying Enron documents, said a person familiar with the negotiations who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Andersen also had balked at the length of time the Justice Department had proposed for deferring possible prosecution of the accounting firm, arguing that three years was too long, this person said.

But Hardin denied that those were the reasons the talks broke down. He declined to specify the issues.

A Justice Department official, meanwhile, told Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., who has

asked for a special prosecutor to investigate Enron's deals, that there is no conflict of interest to warrant it.

Assistant Attorney General Daniel Bryant noted in a letter to Conyers that several Justice officials have removed themselves from the Enron investigation to avoid any potential conflict. Among those who excused themselves is Attorney General John Ashcroft, who received campaign contributions from Enron in his failed 2000 Senate re-election bid.

Furthermore, Bryant wrote, professional investigators and prosecutors are handling the Enron investigation.

"You may rest assured that the investigation will be thorough, effective and unbiased," he told Conyers, who is the senior Democrat on the House Judiciary Committee.

Conyers criticized Justice's position Friday, citing news reports that the FBI is questioning friends and former colleagues about telephone conversations with Army Secretary Thomas White, a former Enron executive.

"It is time for this administration to admit that it cannot objectively investigate its own high-ranking political appointees, and has a blind spot when it comes to investigating President Bush's best political friends," Conyers said in a statement.

The Labor Department, which is investigating how Enron officials handled the company's employee pension plans, suggested that the officials deceived the government by reaching an agreement they didn't intend to keep to turn over control of the plans to an independent firm.

The department's solicitor, Eugene Scalia, told Enron in a letter that the company apparently had "embarked on a course two months ago to deceive the government by entering an agreement that it had no intention of honoring."

Many employees lost nearly all their retirement assets as Enron stock declined steadily over a period of several months and they were blocked from selling stock in the plans for about three weeks last fall.

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CRASH

and rolled two times, coming to rest in the center median of the highway.

Authorities said one man was killed and two were critically injured. Eight others in the Suburban suffered serious injuries.

The two that were in critical condition were airlifted by Life Star helicopter to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

The others were rushed to Northwest Texas Hospital by ambulances.

Troopers said ambulances from McLean, Pampa, Shamrock, Groom and Miami responded to the call for help.

Authorities are also questioning 20 undocumented immigrants who were in a late model maroon Dodge pickup that was following the Suburban. The pickup truck sped past the accident, but was stopped by DPS troopers a few miles down the highway, Beigle said.

"It's pretty obvious that they were traveling together," he said.

Authorities said the SUV and pickup appeared to have been two of a number of vehicles carrying Mexican Nationals east on I-40 at the time of the crash.

Troopers said four or five individuals fled when officers arrived. Officers said they may have been picked up by other vehicles in the convoy.

Officials said the U.S. Border Patrol detained 50 people, including the ones in the hospital.

The detainees were being held in Amarillo today and being questioned in an effort to identify the man killed in the wreck. Officers said he had no identification on him.

A Border Patrol agent said they would contact the Mexican Consul as part of their investigation.

The dead man was taken to Bailey Ware Funeral Home in McLean.

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ARMY

and it's not right for them. They may tell a friend about us, and it is the right thing for them."

Easy to talk with, he said is always willing to converse with anyone who has questions regarding military service.

"Just because they talk to me doesn't mean they are going to be signed up," he said. "We don't take them right then."

Randall said the military can offer up to \$50,000 for college expenses and several jobs for the assistance with tuition. The army also is offering a \$20,000 enlistment bonus.

"There is guaranteed job training," he said. "There are up to 212 jobs which enlistees can be trained for. Everything from accounting to an X-ray tech, and anything in between." He said there is the opportunity to receive 75 percent tuition assistance while earning a degree while in the military.

"A starting check is at least \$1,000 monthly," said Randall. "They also get free room and board with utilities paid. We even

furnish the furniture."

"The medical insurance is 100 percent paid, and you receive 30 days paid vacation a year," he said. "The U.S. Army offers a guaranteed station of choice, too." There are 23 U.S. military stations, he said, as well as numerous others in Europe and Asia.

"We want to give people a chance to serve their country," he said.

The local recruiting office is open 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Randall said he will schedule appointments with those interested after hours, too.

"Often times, those interested can't come in during the day or they may want their parents to talk with us," he said, "and they can't do it during the day. I'm glad to meeting with them after hours or schedule appointments on Saturday."

Randall asks persons with a desire to serve their country and who meet the age requirements as well as physical, mental and moral qualifications, to come by the U.S. Army Recruiting Office in Coronado Center or call 665-1439.

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DEADLINE

tax.

Since the issue erupted a few months ago, Bagley has steadfastly stated he has no choice in the matter but to follow the law, even if the law isn't a good one and may be changed later.

"It's the law," Bagley said. "It's not up to me."

But Bagley is concerned that some travel

trailer owners won't fill out the exemption form thinking they don't have to because the city, county and water district aren't assessing the tax.

But that's not the case. No form, he says, means no exemption.

Anyone with questions can call 665-7188 or come by the appraisal district office at 815 N. Sumner between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The office is open during the noon hour.

U.S. banks ordered to freeze assets of Pakistani group, accused terrorists

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration expanded its financial dragnet against Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaida terror network Friday, ordering U.S. banks to freeze assets of a Pakistan-based group and nine individuals.

The Treasury Department's action was the government's latest effort to separate terrorists from their money, a key part of President Bush's war on terrorism.

"Today we block the finances of an assortment of terrorists involved in financing and carrying out bombings, kidnappings and murder," said Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill. "We will continue to expose and shut down these thugs wherever we find them."

When Bush launched his financial war on terrorism, one of the first groups the U.S. government went after was al Rashid Trust, which the United States says actively bankrolled terrorists. The United States said the group changed its name to The Aid Organization of the Ulema, based in Pakistan, which was listed on Friday's blocking order.

The United States says The Aid Organization of the Ulema has been raising funds

for the Taliban, Afghanistan's former ruling militia, since 1999.

Also on Friday's list is Ethiopian national Ahmed Idris Nasreddin, whom the United States said provided "direct support" for Youssef Nada and Bank Al Taqwa, which the government says gave financial assistance to bin Laden and al-Qaida. The United States froze assets belonging to Nada and the bank last year.

Egyptian national Abdelkader Mahmoud Es Sayed, also targeted by Friday's blocking order, is considered to be the organizer of al-Qaida's Milan cell, the U.S. government said. He was convicted in Egypt for the massacre at Luxor in which 58 foreign tourists were killed.

Also on Friday's list:

—London-based Khalid Al-Fawaz was indicted in the United States on a charge of conspiring to bomb the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania. The United States is seeking his extradition from the United Kingdom. He was sent to London by bin Laden in 1994, where he acted as a conduit among various al-Qaida cells, the government said.

—London-based Abu Hamza al-Masri is a member

of the Islamic Army of Aden, the terrorist organization that claimed responsibility for the bombing of the USS Cole in Yemen.

—Tunisian nationals Aouadi Mohamed Ben Belgacem, Bouchoucha Mokhtar, Charaabi Tarek and Essid Sami Ben Khemais were members of an al-Qaida cell operating in Italy, the government said. The cell is part of the Salafist Group for Call and Combat, an Algerian terrorist organization that continues to terrorize North Africa. All four are serving prison terms in Italy for trafficking of arms and explosives.

—Libyan national Lased Ben Heni served as a liaison between the al-Qaida cell in Italy and the cell in Frankfurt that was dismantled in December 2000. Indicted for trafficking arms, explosives and chemical weapons, he was arrested in Germany and extradited to Italy. The United States says he bragged that he had been trained in camps frequented by bin Laden.

Treasury officials said it was too early to know whether the 10 new targeted entities have any financial assets in the United States and how much money would be frozen by the action.

House passage of bill making tax cut permanent seen mainly as political issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House vote to make President Bush's big tax cut permanent probably will have more impact on the congressional political landscape than on American taxpayers.

Republicans and Democrats say the 229-198 vote Thursday on a bill that would prevent the cuts from expiring after 2010 will be a key issue in this year's campaigns, particularly because Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., is pledging to block it from coming up.

Bush sought to increase the pressure on Democrats, saying it was up to the Senate to give Americans lower tax rates "they can count on to plan and invest for the future." Senate failure to act "would penalize every American who pays federal income taxes," the president said in a written statement.

Democrats viewed the vote

as a referendum on the cost of tax cuts versus protecting Social Security, a leading message in their attempt to recapture control of the House.

"Let me assure you that this vote is going to be the subject of a lot of campaigns for the House this fall," said Democratic leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo.

Republicans say making the \$1.35 trillion tax cut permanent would give taxpayers greater certainty, clear up estate planning and bolster the economy by removing the threat of a huge tax increase if the package expires as scheduled after Dec. 31, 2010.

Income tax rates would rise to pre-2001 levels, the estate tax would rise again after being repealed for only one year, the child tax credit would be halved and generous benefits for retirement savings and education would evaporate.

"Does that make common

sense?" said House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill. "We don't have to tie the American people down to a now you see it, now you don't promise."

Nine Democrats voted in favor of the bill, compared with 28 who supported the final tax cut measure last year. Only one Republican, Rep. Connie Morella of Maryland, was opposed.

Democrats contend the tax cut is to blame for draining much of the government's projected budget surplus. They say the \$374 billion cost of extending the package through 2012 would have to be financed by Social Security, in which a large surplus still exists.

Although the Social Security money must be repaid and the transfer would have no impact on the level of retiree benefits, the program remains a potent political weapon — particularly among older voters.

Democrats also say the tax cut would cost \$4 trillion including interest and certain necessary tax changes in the decade after 2012.

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Probe into bombing of Canadian soldiers intensifying

WASHINGTON (AP) — Among questions facing investigators of the latest bombing accident in Afghanistan, in which four Canadian soldiers were killed and eight wounded, is why the American pilot who dropped the bomb apparently was unaware Canadian soldiers were training in the area.

Also, why didn't the air controller who communicated with the pilot tell him the Canadians were there?

The pilot, on a nighttime air patrol in an F-16 jet fighter, apparently mistook the Canadians for enemy forces and thought he was acting in self-defense when he dropped a 500-pound bomb Thursday, U.S. officials said.

Canadian officials demand an explanation.

President Bush conveyed the nation's regret to Prime Minister Jean Chretien, and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said U.S. and Canadian officers at Central Command headquarters in Tampa, Fla., would work together to piece together what happened and why.

The soldiers were from the 3rd Battalion of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, based near Edmonton, Alberta.

In a brief announcement, Central Command said an Air National Guard F-16 aircraft dropped one or two laser-guided bombs on the Canadians, but it offered no other details.

Pentagon officials said the Canadians were conducting a nighttime, live-fire training exercise near the southern Afghan city of Kandahar.

The F-16 was from the 183rd Fighter Wing, whose home base is Springfield, Ill., but it could not be confirmed immediately whether the pilot was a member of that unit. The pilot's name was not released, in accordance with usual U.S. military procedure during an accident investigation.

The jet was flying in tandem with another U.S. F-16.

It appeared the pilots did not know they were flying over an area restricted to training, and the fire from the training exercise made them believe they were under

attack, officials at the Pentagon said. All forces operating in the Kandahar area are supposed to be aware of friendly forces.

One of the pilots sought permission to bomb and was told to mark the target but not fire, a senior Pentagon official said. On a second fly-around, after reporting he was taking ground fire, the official said the pilot dropped the bomb in what he thought was self-defense.

Canadian Defense Minister Art Eggleton, who called the deaths shocking, said one of the injured had life-threatening wounds and the other seven were in stable condition. Chretien addressed the national Parliament in Ottawa.

"We have so many questions this morning," he said. "Extensive training for combat is meant to save lives. How does this happen? In this awful case it took so many lives, and I want to assure the families and the people of Canada that these questions will be answered."

A Canadian representative at U.S. Commander Tommy Franks' headquarters in Tampa, Capt. Isabelle Compagnon, said the joint U.S.-Canadian investigation would determine whether the Canadians had followed normal procedures in notifying other coalition forces, including the Americans, of the time and place of their training exercise.

Canada's defense chief, Lt. Gen. Ray Henault, told reporters in Ottawa the area was recognized as a training sector and the aircraft were using strictly controlled routes.

"How this can happen is a mystery to us. Without a doubt, there was a misidentification," Henault said.

Rumsfeld refused to discuss details of the apparent accident during the investigation. "What we do know is that some very fine coalition partners of ours ... were killed by one or more bombs ... dropped by one or more F-16s," he said during a visit to Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

The bombing was among the worst friendly fire accidents since the U.S.-led campaign in Afghanistan began in October.

On Dec. 5, a B-52 dropped a bomb on U.S. and Afghan forces near Kandahar, killing

three Americans and at least seven Afghans, and slightly wounding Hamid Karzai, now Afghanistan's interim leader. The investigation is incomplete, but officials have said there were errors in transmitting target coordinates to the B-52.

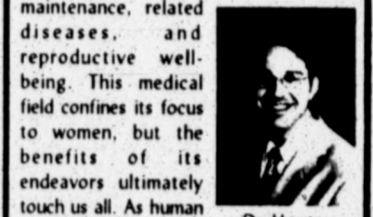
OB-GYN Update
by Otoniel Huertas, M.D.
Obstetrics & Gynecology

MATTERS OF FEMALE HEALTH

Whatever myths, stereotypes, or perceptions surround women, they possess a unique physical nature that requires special understanding. The branch of medical science known as gynecology addresses the concerns that arise from matters of female health maintenance, related diseases, and reproductive well-being. This medical field confines its focus to women, but the benefits of its endeavors ultimately touch us all. As human beings, we are concerned that the reproductive fitness of our species and the health of our entire population. To this end, our column will devote itself to making general information available to all its readers. While the material may be most relevant to women, men concerned with the health of women and children should also find it interesting.

Welcome to my new weekly column on obstetrics and gynecology. I hope to use this space to bring you information about women's health that will be of interest and practical use. I am committed to providing excellent health care to all women, young and old. I urge women to seek comprehensive annual physicals even when they are in good health, just as all pregnant women should receive care, from the earliest stages of their pregnancies on, to ensure the optimum health and safety of their babies. If you have questions about the information provided in these columns, please call my office at 806-273-7771 and inquire. We're located at 106 S. Bryan, Borger.

P.S. By virtue of the union of two X chromosomes at conception, women are biologically distinct from men.



Dr. Huertas

Cost of subsidies in new farm bill ballooning

WASHINGTON (AP) — Subsidies in the farm bill the House and Senate are negotiating will cost taxpayers about \$10 billion more than lawmakers have said because crop prices aren't rising as predicted, a congressional budget analysis shows.

The cost increase is a big reason that farm groups are pushing lawmakers to finish work on the bill as soon as possible.

If the bill isn't passed quickly, it's feared that its rising price tag will force lawmakers to scale back on some new programs they want to create in the legislation.

"It's a huge, huge issue," said Mary Kay Thatcher, a lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation. If the legislation is delayed, "there's no way we're going to be able to craft a farm bill with an adequate safety net."

When Congress set spending limits for the bill last year, the farm bill was expected to cost \$170 billion over the next 10 years. That total included \$97.6 billion for continuing existing programs, plus an additional \$73.5 billion to fatten current subsidies and create new ones.

Under the new Congressional Budget Office estimates obtained by The Associated Press, existing programs are expected to cost \$107.2 billion over the decade, or \$9.6 billion more than projected a year ago.

Cotton prices had been expected to reach nearly 60 cents a pound this year and subsidies to cotton farmers were not expected to exceed \$1 billion this year. Instead, cotton prices have been stuck below 40 cents a pound, which has triggered bigger government payments. The budget office now expects cotton subsidies to top \$3 billion this year.

Similarly, subsidies for corn farmers are now expected to

exceed \$3.5 billion this year, \$1.3 billion more than projected a year ago.

Senate Budget Committee Chairman Kent Conrad, D-N.D., is among the lawmakers pressing hardest for a new farm bill. Some lawmakers say Congress should give up trying to pass a farm bill that would apply to this growing season. But doing that would take the pressure off negotiators to complete a bill under the existing spending limits, Conrad said.

"It's important for farmers especially to know the results of following such advice," Conrad said.

Commodity prices collapsed in 1998 as crop production soared and the world economy slumped. Prices have increased since then for some crops. But U.S. farmers, because they produce big surpluses of most major crops, are heavily dependent on export sales and those have been hindered by the strong dollar, economists say. A strong dollar makes American commodities relatively expensive compared with those from countries with weaker currencies.

"We're going to see some slow increase (in commodity prices) but this is not anything that is going to happen very quickly or very significantly," said Keith Collins, the Agriculture Department's chief economist.

Congressional negotiators have been struggling to resolve a long list of differences on farm policy between the Republican-controlled House and the Democratic-held Senate.

Among the disputes: rates for farm subsidies; limits on how much money individual farmers and landowners may receive; an expansion of conservation programs; a Bush administration proposal to restore food stamps to noncitizens; and a ban on meatpacker ownership of cattle and hogs.

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RELIGION

Voluntary segregation continues in churches

By LORETTA FULTON
ABILENE REPORTER-NEWS

ABILENE — Chant-like murmurs of prayer stopped only when the preacher strolled to the front of the church and his smooth, rich voice broke into the old favorite, "I Need Thee Every Hour."

He continued humming as a woman, kneeling on the floor with her elbows resting on the pew seat, recited the Lord's Prayer. The preacher added his endorsement.

"Yes, yes, Lord ... hallelujah, hallelujah, hmm, hmm, yes, yes."

Even with contemporary praise and worship services, with their keyboards, electric guitars and hand-clapping, predominantly white churches cannot match the style and emotion of a black worship experience. That's one reason, as the cliché goes, "the 11 o'clock worship hour is the most segregated hour in America."

It's likely to stay that way, according to people from the pulpit to the pews to the halls of academia.

"And that is a good thing," said the Rev. Kelvin Kelley, pastor of Abilene's Mount Zion Baptist Church.

Kelley knows his impromptu utterances wouldn't fit in all cultures. That's one reason he wants the black church to maintain its identity.

Kelley is one of the city's leading black ministers. He's well-known from his predominantly black church to the classrooms at Hardin-Simmons University, where he earned a master of divinity degree.

He's a founding member of Pray Big Country, a conglomerate of local pastors who come as close to a multiethnic organization as any in town. He's as comfortable preaching in a white pulpit as he is proclaiming the gospel from his own. He mixes easily with all races and does so in many venues.

Still, he and others believe the church will not move toward integration as other public and social institutions have in America.

"On a large scale, that's not going to happen," Kelley said. "And that's not a negative."

People don't have to worship under the same roof to be unified, Kelley said. If they did, cultural identity, traditions and roots would be lost.

"Worship is the most dynamic expression of who we are," Kelley said, and that would be lost in a one-size-fits-all church."

Others concur.

Dr. Elias Bongmba, a native of the West African nation of Cameroon, teaches in the Department of Religious Studies at Rice University. He specializes in African and African-American religions and attends an African-American church in Houston.

Acknowledging that a history of discrimina-

tion and segregation contributes to the color of today's congregations, Bongmba said the self-segregation goes deeper than that. Issues of identity, cultural roots and empowerment come into play, he said.

"The 11 o'clock hour not only caters to spiritual needs, but speaks to the wider nature of what it means to be a human being," Bongmba said.

That doesn't mean churches shouldn't strive for more balance, he said, but segregated churches don't necessarily equate to racism or exclusivity. People look for more than a particular worship style in a church. They also are seeking a place where they can be themselves and share similar cultural roots.

Churches may someday be truly integrated, but not anytime soon, Bongmba said.

"The opening will come slowly," he said. "But in the meantime, since churches remain a place where one feels at home in all respects, the situation will remain as it is."

Unity, not uniformity

Mike Mikeworth met Kelvin Kelley at a pickup basketball game at First Baptist Church's Family Life Center. God linked their hearts, Mikeworth said, so he and his wife started attending Kelley's Mount Zion Baptist Church. Immediately, they knew it was the right decision.

"The Holy Spirit said, 'You're home,'" Mikeworth said.

But when he glanced at the people around him, it didn't look like home. They were black and Mikeworth and his wife, Linda, are white.

The couple joined the church last May, and since then Mikeworth has started teaching a Sunday School class. The Mikeworths are comfortable at Mount Zion because of their relationship with Kelley and because the people are welcoming.

The worship style may be different from their white Baptist tradition, but the Mikeworths feel enriched by it.

Kelley's style isn't as extravagant as some black preachers. He doesn't engage in what he calls "the whoop" style of preaching that features long exhortations and phraseology, punctuated with dramatic organ bursts.

Still, his style, and that of the congregation, is more soulful than the Mikeworths were accustomed to. That makes no difference to the Mikeworths or their minister. They know they don't have to try to worship exactly like those around them or the pastor.

"He does not equate unity with uniformity," Mikeworth said of Kelley.

Neither do the people at Beltway Park Baptist Church, one of Abilene's fastest-growing congregations in the city's southwest. The minister, David McQueen, notes his church is in "a white part of a very white community."

That didn't mean a thing the Sunday Kelvin (See SEGREGATION, Page 7)

CHURCH BRIEFS

Harmony Music Outreach plans fundraiser

Harmony Music Outreach is selling Krispie Kreme Donuts for \$6 a dozen Saturday, May 4, at the Wayne's Western Wear parking lot, at the intersection of Hobart and Randy Matson. To pre-order, call Paul Searl, 669-3535, by April 29.

Spring Sing set April 27

Harmony Music Outreach presents its first Spring Sing at 7:30 p.m., April 27, at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium, featuring local performers and the Community Praise Choir. Admission is free. For more information call 669-3535.

Dr. Vestal to speak at luncheon

AMARILLO — Dr. Daniel Vestal, national coordinator for Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, is to be guest speaker at a free luncheon, Monday, April 29, at First Baptist Church, 1208 S. Tyler. He plans to speak on the mission and minister of CBF and the upcoming General Assembly in Fort Worth, June 27-29. Call 806-373-2891 by Tuesday, April 23, for reservations.

Concert to feature men's gospel groups

BORGER — The Florida Boys and the Toney Brothers will be presented in a free concert at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 23, at the Borger High School Auditorium, 1st and Bryan streets.

'The Followers' concert



(Courtesy photo)

Hi-Land Church, 18th and Banks, presents the Southern gospel singing of "The Followers," of Binger, Okla., at 4:30 p.m., Sunday, April 21. The concert is free, however a love offering will be received for the group. The congregation and pastor extend an invitation to the community to attend.

Fellowship Baptist to honor local heroes at patriotic service set Sunday, April 28

Members of Fellowship Baptist Church, 622 E. Francis, have set aside Sunday, April 28, as "Red, White and Blue Day" to honor all law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency response personnel. Elected officials will also be recognized.

A patriotic service is planned at 11 a.m. with the church choir performing the medley, "Let Freedom Ring,"

and guest speaker Chuck Baker, chaplain of the Abilene Police Department.

Honored guests will receive special gifts from the church in appreciation for their contributions to the community.

A lunch will be served following the service. The public is invited to join in showing their patriotism and appreciation for the special people who serve this community.

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Blessing or bleeding?

What is your life like? Is it mostly a life of blessings or more one of trials and difficulties? No one has a life that is all blessings and no one has a life that is entirely trouble filled. What is the percentage breakdown in your life? 10% blessings, 90% troubles? 80% blessings, 20% troubles? Take just a minute and honestly take a hard look at your life. Now hold on to that evaluation for a couple of moments. We'll come back to it.

In each of the synoptic gospels there are back-to-back descriptions of two different women being healed in Capernaum. Mt 9:18-26; Mk 5:21-43 and Lk 8:40-56. The two stories concern the healing of the woman who had been bleeding for 12 years and the raising from the dead of Jarius' daughter. All who witnessed each miracle stood speechless, in awe of the power and majesty of Jesus Christ. But that isn't what I'd like to focus on today.

Think back to a time 12 years previous to that day when the two magnificent miracles took place. Twelve years earlier one life was just beginning, while another life was cursed. Jarius' daughter began a life of blessing, the woman began a life of shame. The little girl woke up each morning ready to play, the woman opened her eyes each morning to another day filled with

embarrassment and public ridicule. Everyone loved the daughter of the synagogue's leader, everyone despised the unclean woman. For 12 long years, one lived a life on the "pavement", while the other tried to travel each day through the jungle of life. How different could two lives be? Could two lives be farther apart on the "blessing/ trouble" scale?

Then Jesus entered the picture and it was easy to see how the woman who had been hemorrhaging for those 12 years would need him. But what about the little girl? Her dad was biggest "big-whip" in town. She had everything she needed. Why would she need Jesus? Then the sickness came. Sooner or later even the most blessed among us humans hits an unconquerable wall. Usually sooner than later we come face to face with words that change our lives forever. "You have cancer." "You are pregnant." "I want a divorce." "You'll never ever see your child again." "I'm sorry, but _____ just died." At those times our family lineage won't help us. Neither will our money, our job, our education or all of our good deeds.

Even though their lives had been so different, on that day they stood toe-to-toe with the same need. They needed Jesus. And after their encounter with the Savior that day, they stood toe-to-toe again. Both were alive, clean and joyful. And all the difference was they met Jesus.

Now go back to that evaluation you did. No matter where on the scale you fall, you need Jesus. Maybe it doesn't look like it today, but don't believe that false reading. Maybe you are so blessed that you just can't picture needing Jesus. However, eventually those blessings will run out and the time of trouble will come. And no matter how miserable your life has been, no matter how miserable you think you are and no matter how sure you may be that He wouldn't want anything to do with you, remember this: You are wrong! He loves you and died for you and stands ready to regenerate your life.

Whether yours has been a life of blessing or bleeding, He yearns to take you and heal you. Won't you let Him? Today? God bless.

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Skellytown Baptist sets spring revival

SKELLYTOWN — First Baptist Church of Skellytown's spring revival begins at 11 a.m., Sunday, April 21, and will continue each evening through April 24.

Evangelist Gregg Simmons, pastor of First Baptist Church of Borger, will conduct the revival. Bro. Simmons also serves as first vice president and chair of the evangelism committee of the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention and as trustee for the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Andy Dietz, minister of missions and evangelism at First Baptist Church in Borger.

Services will be at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Sunday. A potluck meal will follow the morning service. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, a brown bag lunch and Bible study is scheduled for noon and the evening worship service at 7 p.m.

A nursery will be provided during Sunday services and at each evening service.

SEGREGATION

Kelley came preaching. One Sunday last October, Pray Big Country members swapped pulpits. Because of the group's diversity, some white ministers were in black churches and some black preachers in white congregations.

"People loved it," McQueen said. "They kept asking, 'When is he coming back?'"

McQueen realizes that's about as integrated as his church is going to get. It may attract a few people of color, but it will remain primarily a white church. McQueen regrets that because segregation is not "the heart of God," he said.

However, he doesn't think unity means having one church where all people worship together at the risk of losing their identity.

"You cannot honor every culture in one church," he said.

Just because the Sunday swap was successful doesn't mean a permanent exchange

would work. Ministers must reach their target audience, and different races respond differently, Kelley said.

Some churches have been successful with a minister of a race different from the majority.

Plum Street United Methodist Church, a historically black church in Abilene, has its second consecutive white minister. The Rev. Ruth Fowler serves the Tye and Plum Street congregations. Before her, Bill Libby, an ordained Methodist minister and McMurry University professor, filled the Plum Street pulpit.

For Libby, it was a positive learning and growing experience. For Gladys Abor, a longtime Plum Street member, Fowler and Libby are a blessing.

"We have just been really thankful to have people come, regardless of their race," she said.

Of more concern to Abor is that the church lacks a choir. She misses the good, soulful music a black choir provides, more than a black preaching

style.

Sweet, sweet spirit

At age 36, with a charming family, a masters degree and a personality that brightens a room, Kelvin Kelley would top any church's pastor search list.

He can speak in the vernacular or explain an issue in terms that would make his professors proud.

Kelley believes people should strive for transformation through the body of Christ rather than discarding their culture or blending into another.

"When that (transformation) happens," he said, "we begin the process of breaking down the barriers that have separated us."

Nowhere is Kelley's understanding of worship as a dynamic expression more evident than at his twice-weekly prayer services. On a recent Wednesday, when a cold rain limited attendance, several faithful women showed up. They wore tailored suits, gloves and hats another tradition in black churches.

For years, church was the

only place blacks could go where they could wear their Sunday best. The dress also reflects respect.

"You are basically giving God your best on Sunday," Kelley said.

These ladies were giving God their best on Wednesday, too. They knelt between the pews, facing the back so their elbows rested on the cushioned seats. They were soon

swept into a prayerful frenzy, swaying back and forth and uttering nonstop petitions to God.

Their pastor, pacing to and fro with his 2-year-old son trotting alongside, said it best. Rather, he sang it best: There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in This Place.

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FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

DR. JAMES DOBSON is a psychologist, author and president of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home.

Q What is the most common error made by parents in disciplining their children?

A I would have to say it is the inappropriate use of the use of anger in attempting to manage boys and girls. It is one of the most ineffective methods of attempting to influence human beings (of all ages).

Unfortunately, most results rely primarily on their own emotional response to secure the cooperation of children. One teacher said on a national television program: "I like being a professional educator, but I hate the daily task of teaching. My children are so unruly that I have to stay mad at them all the time just to control the classroom." How utterly frustrating to be required to be mean and angry to do your job year after year. Yet many teachers (and parents) know of no other way to manage children. Believe me, it is exhausting and it doesn't work!

Consider your own motivational system and your own response to the anger of others. Suppose you are driving your automobile home from work this evening and you exceed the speed limit by 40 miles per hour. Standing on the street corner is a lone police officer who has not been given the means to arrest you. He has no squad car or motorcycle; he wears no badge, carries no gun and can write no tickets. All he is commissioned to do is stand on the curb and scream insults as you speed past. Would you slow down just because he turns red in the face and shakes his fist in protest? Of course not! You might wave to him as you

steak by. But his anger would achieve little except to make him appear comical and foolish.

On the other hand, nothing influences the way you drive quite like seeing a black-and-white vehicle in hot pursuit with red and blue lights flashing in your rearview mirror. When you pull your car over to the curb, a dignified, courteous officer approaches the window. He is 6 feet, 9 inches, has a voice like the Lone Ranger, and carries a gun on his right hip.

"Sir," he says firmly but politely, "our radar unit indicates you were traveling 65 miles per hour in a 25-mile-per-hour zone. May I see your driver's license please?" he opens his leather-bound book of citations and leans toward you. He has revealed no hostility and offers no criticism, yet you immediately go to pieces. You fumble nervously to locate the license with the ugly picture on it. Why are your hands moist and your mouth dry? Why is your heart thumping in your throat? Because the course of action that John Law is about to take is notoriously unpleasant. It is that action which dramatically affects your future driving habits. Alas, children think and respond in much the same way you do.

Disciplinary action influences behavior; anger does not. When it comes to boys and girls, in fact, I am convinced that anger incites a malignant kind of disrespect in their minds. They perceive that our frustration is caused by our inability to control the situation. We represent justice to them, yet we're on the verge of tears as we flail the air with our hands and shout empty threats and warnings. Let me ask: Would you respect a superior-court judge who behaved that way in administering legal justice? Certainly not. This is why the judicial system is carefully designed to appear objective, rational and dignified.

I am not recommending that parents and teachers conceal their legitimate emotions from their children. I am not suggesting that we be like bland and unresponsive robots who hold everything inside. There are times when our kids become insulting or disobedient and our irritation is entirely appropriate. In fact, it should be revealed, or else we appear artificial and insincere. My point is merely that anger often becomes a tool used for the purpose of influencing behavior. It is ineffective and can be damaging to the relationship between generations.

Instead, try taking action that your children will care about. Then administer it with "cool."

Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO, 80903; or www.family.org Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House.

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Fresh attacks by Islamic militants threatening

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — A Palestinian blew himself up in a car at a checkpoint Friday, lightly injuring two Israeli soldiers, and Israeli forces killed five Palestinians in exchanges of fire in an abrupt escalation of conflict in the Gaza Strip.

Islamic militants threatened to carry out more attacks in Israel.

In the West Bank, Israeli forces completed their withdrawal from the town of Jenin, allowing Palestinian families to collect their dead from temporary graves to give them proper farewells. In the town of Ramallah, two Palestinian children, ages nine and 14, were killed by army fire in separate incidents, Palestinian doctors said. The army had no comment.

The violence in Gaza ended the relative quiet there during Israel's three-week incursion into the Palestinian cities and towns in the West Bank.

The Israeli military spokesman said a suicide bomber detonated explosives in his car at an Israeli military checkpoint near the Kissufim crossing, killing himself and lightly wounding two Israeli soldiers. Local residents said the Israelis arrested three Palestinians and announced a curfew on loudspeakers.

Further south, Israeli troops moved briefly into Palestinian-controlled territory near the border with Egypt, scene of frequent clashes and incursions. Palestinians opened fire on Israeli troops, who pounded the area with

heavy machine gun fire, witnesses said. Palestinian doctors said three Palestinian civilians were killed and six wounded by Israeli gunfire. Israeli military sources said that during a routine operation, Palestinians shot at soldiers, who returned the fire.

Also, the military said soldiers killed two armed Palestinians who tried to infiltrate the Netzarim Jewish settlement in Gaza. The militant Islamic Jihad group claimed responsibility for the attempted raid.

Thousands of Palestinians paraded through Gaza City and Rafah for the hastily arranged funerals of the casualties and vowed revenge for their deaths. A masked activist of the Fatah organization of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat said the Palestinians had a message for Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon: "You have opened the gates of hell and you will be burnt in its fire. Murder for murder, and destruction for destruction."

In the West Bank town of Bethlehem, security forces arrested Khalid Tafish, described as a leader of the Islamic militant Hamas movement, and the second catch of a high-ranking Hamas official in two days. Another unidentified Hamas fighter was arrested in the same operation, the military said.

On Thursday, near the city of Nablus, the army caught Hussam Atef Ali Badran, an alleged military commander of Hamas who the army said was responsible for the deaths

of more than 100 Israelis in some of the worst suicide bombings in the last year.

Also in Bethlehem, the standoff continued between Israelis and Palestinians who took refuge in the Church of the Nativity April 2. A meeting to negotiate a peaceful evacuation of about 200 gunmen and 50 clerics was canceled, with each side blaming the other.

The sound of gunfire and stun grenades could be heard late Thursday near the church, and smoke rose from the compound. The Israeli military said gunmen in the church opened fire, and soldiers responded. The military has banned reporters from the area.

The military said the withdrawal from Jenin was completed overnight, and Israeli forces took up positions just outside, preventing

Palestinians from entering or leaving. Palestinians have demanded that Israel remove all its roadblocks. Palestinians said the tanks were still inside the zone off-limits to the Israelis under previous agreements. After the pullout, the military declared Jenin a closed military area and banned reporters from entering.

Palestinians security officials said the Israeli tanks rumbled out of the city and the ravaged refugee camp around 4

a.m. Residents heard some shooting, possibly from the withdrawing tanks, they said.

After daybreak, families came to hospitals to collect the bodies of relatives from temporary collective graves and give them proper funerals. Hospital officials said 42 bodies had been collected in Jenin.

A white-frosted medical worker in the Jenin refugee camp hospital packed the remains of Tariq Darwish, 27, in a plastic bag and placed it into a plastic-lined wooden coffin brought by his father.

Iyad Darwish said he spoke for the last time to his son, a Palestinian policeman, two

days before he was killed.

"He said he was in the camps fighting with his friends. We told him to get out but he didn't want to leave the fight," said the grizzled man as he sat in the front seat of the ambulance and wiped his tears with the edge of his head scarf.

Touring the Jenin camp Thursday, U.N. Mideast envoy Terje Roed-Larsen was harshly critical of the Israelis, though he would not take sides on the hottest disagreement — Palestinian charges that Israeli soldiers massacred hundreds of civilians in the camp, while Israel maintained that most of the dead were gunmen or bombers.

Former Afghan king breaks exile

By STEVEN GUTKIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — In his first full day home Friday, former Afghan king Mohammad Zahir Shah visited with old friends and gazed at snowcapped mountains he had longed to see during nearly three decades in exile.

The caretaker of the grave of the former king's father said Friday he was ready to receive Zahir Shah, whose aide, Azim Nasser-Zia, confirmed a visit to the site was "on the program."

"He is fine, very good, cheerful," Nasser-Zia said outside a two-story house that was recently refurbished to receive the ex-king.

A steady stream of visitors called on Zahir Shah at the house, which was surrounded by dozens of guards. International peacekeepers also stood guard outside the residence, saying they would remain there during the ex-king's first day to ensure his safety.

Zahir Shah ended 29 years in exile on Thursday when he flew to Afghanistan on an Italian military plane. Thousands of Afghans took to the streets to greet his motorcade, dancing, singing and holding up his photograph.

Italian officials who brought the former king to Afghanistan came by to say goodbye Friday, said Nasser-Zia.

"He thanked them for their hospitality all of these years," he said.

Nasser-Zia said the 87-year-old former monarch stepped outside to gaze at the dramatic view of snowcapped mountains, something he had said he missed in his long years in exile.

The king's homecoming is part of a U.N.-sponsored agreement on Afghanistan's future that was forged in Germany last December. It called on Zahir Shah to convene a loya jirga, or grand council, to choose a new government in June.

Zahir Shah ruled Afghanistan from 1933 to 1973, when he was overthrown by his cousin in a palace coup. The years that

followed were marked by utter devastation in Afghanistan.

Many are hoping the king can serve as a unifying figure as the country struggles to overcome decades of war.

"I want to serve the people of Afghanistan," Zahir Shah told his countrymen on Kabul television Thursday night.

Since his arrival, he has met with Afghanistan's ministers of foreign affairs, interior and commerce — as well as with Rashid Dostum, one of the country's most powerful warlords.

Interim Prime Minister Hamid Karzai, a distant relative of the former king, accompanied Zahir Shah on his trip from Rome along with about 80 other people.

Karzai, appearing alongside the former king on Afghan television, called on millions of refugees in Pakistan and Iran to follow Zahir Shah's example and return home.

Later Friday, the former monarch planned to visit the grave of his father, Nadir Shah, who was assassinated before Zahir Shah's eyes 68 years ago. A once-glorious columned dome above the grave has been all but destroyed by rockets and gunfire. But the crypt below where Nadir Shah and other Afghan royals are buried was recently refurbished by Zahir Shah's grandson.

Zahir Shah was the last monarch of the 200-year-old Durrani dynasty. He says he has no intention of trying to regain his throne.

The extraordinary security for the king underscores the fact that the Central Asian nation's quest for stability is far from complete.

Zahir Shah had been expected to arrive in March, but his homecoming was delayed after U.S. and Italian officials got word of possible plots to assassinate him.

About 140 Afghan officers from the interior ministry were guarding Zahir Shah. Twenty were stationed inside his house.

Maj. Mark Roberts, a British peacekeeper, said the interim government would be taking full control of Zahir Shah's security.

"The security has been very good, so now we're backing off," he said.

Small plane hits building in Italy

MILAN, Italy (AP) — The pilot of a small plane that slammed into a Milan skyscraper reported trouble with his landing gear and had been speaking with air traffic control, officials said, indications that terrorism was not his aim.

The crash Thursday killed the pilot and two other people and rekindled fears of a Sept. 11-type attack on a landmark building in Italy's financial capital, even though Italian officials said it was probably an accident. The number of injured, put originally at 60, was revised downward Friday to 36, with 11 of them still hospitalized.

The twin-engine Rockwell Commander punched a hole through the slim, 30-story Pirelli building in downtown Milan, and smoke billowed out for hours into the clear afternoon sky. The 25th and 26th floors were gutted; the sidewalks below were littered with shards of glass, office papers, broken flower pots and other debris.

The pilot, a Swiss resident believed to be in his 60s, was thought to be the only person on board the plane.

"I heard something like the engine of a plane dying out, and then I heard a terrible explosion," said Raffaele Taccogna, who was tending bar at the nearby Atlantic Hotel. "I certainly thought of the September attacks in the United States," he said. "It really looked like the same thing."

The pilot — who was on a 20-minute flight from Locarno, Switzerland, to Milan — had started landing procedures at Linate airport when air traffic controllers alerted him that he wasn't lined up with the runway, the Italian air traffic controller's association said.

The pilot reported "a little problem with the landing gear," and the control tower instructed him to move to the west of the airport until it was fixed, a statement from the association said, adding that the pilot didn't issue a distress signal as officials had previously reported.

The control tower contacted the pilot again after seeing he was drifting to the north, in the wrong direction. The pilot said he was fixing the problem with his landing gear, and the tower

instructed him to move back into position to approach the runway.

But the pilot again didn't get into the right position, the statement said. The control tower then lost contact.

Interior Minister Claudio Scajola told reporters in Rome that "initial reports point to an accident."

One witness, Fabio Sunik, said the plane was on fire before it crashed. The plane did not try to change course, "but just went straight in," said Sunik, a sports journalist. "Then I saw rubble falling from the building."

Some 1,300 people work in the building, which houses local government offices, but it was not known how many were still there when the crash took place — not long after working hours ended.

There was a discrepancy over the death toll. Earlier, a civil defense official, Carlo Leo, reported five dead: the pilot, two office workers and two passers-by. However, the vice president of the Lombardy region, Vivian Beccalossi, reported only three dead late Thursday: the pilot, a cleaning woman and a government lawyer.

Chavez calls for unity in post-coup Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — In a meeting to reconcile the nation, the new Hugo Chavez sounded a lot like the old — irked by criticism, and accusing rivals of refusing to share the blame for Venezuela's continuing turmoil.

"I asked for pardon," the Venezuelan president told a meeting of the nation's governors and mayors Thursday. "I would like others to follow the example of accepting their responsibilities."

The meeting launched a series of formal debates meant to heal the wounds opened by riotous demonstrations that toppled Chavez on April 12 and restored him two days later.

In Washington, the Organization of American States heard a report from the secretary-general, Cesar Gaviria, on

his fact-finding mission in Venezuela. Gaviria pleaded with Venezuelans to end their differences.

Seemingly chastened by the uprising that led to the coup, Chavez had promised in recent days to "correct" his course and his manner. But after hearing critics on television accuse him of sponsoring killings, and after hearing mayors around him add complaints, Chavez erupted.

Looking around the room, Chavez said the conspiracy against him "was mounted some time ago. And many of you, in my opinion, were used by the true conspirators."


He accused "rancid economic sectors" — apparently the rich — of manipulating the hundreds of thousands who marched against him on April 11. He repeated denunciations of news

coverage that blamed his government for the 16 people shot to death that day, saying the first person shot to death was one of his own bodyguards.

"The coup d'etat never would have happened without the support of the communications media, especially the television," Chavez said. "If the communications media, especially television, want to continue

encouraging this and we allow it, well, it will bring us to war."

He said businessman Pedro Carmona, who served as the coup's figurehead, had issued a "Mussolini-like decree" suspending congress, the courts and the constitution — and not even Mussolini, Chavez said, had sworn himself into office as Carmona did.




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written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Winners Of Club Scout Derby May Have Lost Larger Lesson

DEAR ABBY: Recently my son entered a derby car race at his Cub Scout meeting. He left the house proud of the derby car he fashioned from a block of wood. My husband had shown him how to use the proper tools, to sand and paint the car — but it was our son's design.

When my son and husband arrived at the race track, it was obvious many of the fathers had done far more than supervise the making of the derby cars. In fact, many of the fathers bragged about how they had designed, cut and painted their sons' cars — even going so far as adding "hidden" weights so they would go faster! One of the youngest boys in the pack won a huge trophy for "best in show." His car was elaborately carved and decorated far beyond his capabilities.

We told our son he should be proud of his car because he had followed instructions and created it himself. Unfortunately, some of the other boys made our son feel their dads loved them more because they had made prettier, faster cars for them.

DEAR PROUD MOM: You are describing parents who are determined to make sure their children succeed even if it means cutting a few corners. And you're absolutely right — I doubt that a trophy a child hasn't earned and knows isn't deserved will make him or her feel like a winner. The prize becomes meaningless. The child's abilities are diminished, and the youngster is left feeling that he or she can't perform.

When you see this camp before you. You see where I breathed my last. When you look at the ground. You see my footprints. As you walk upon this soil, You step over my bones. When you see old photographs, My eyes look at yours. When you hear the wind whisper. You are hearing my voice. When your eyes brim with tears. It is me tugging your heart. "Never forget," I whisper to you And you hear my desperate words. I may not be alive today, But in your heart, I still live. Remember me.

DEAR ABBY: I'm enclosing a poem I wrote after visiting Auschwitz. I hope you will print it in your column on April 19, Holocaust Remembrance Day.

TAWNYSHA LYNCH

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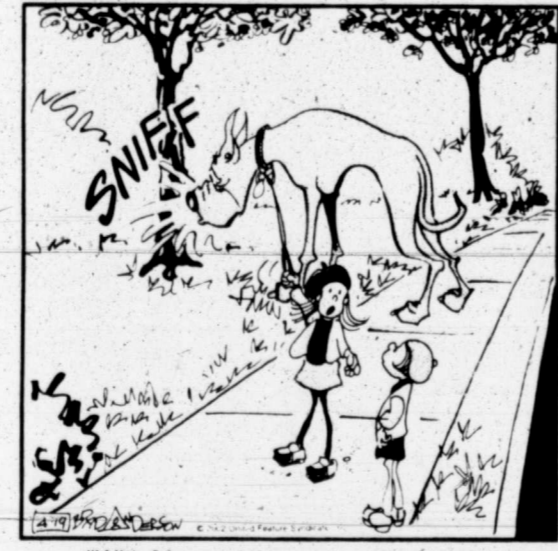
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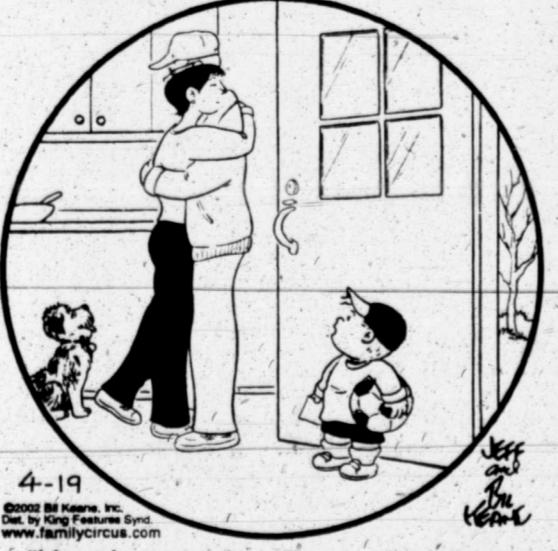
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SPORTS

Pampa track athletes prepare for regionals

PAMPA — Four Pampa High tracksters, two in the boys division and two in the girls division, are getting ready to take the next step in the 2002 track and field season.

Tanner Dyer, Angela Phillips, Teryn Stowers and Matt Crow will be competing at regionals April 26-27 in San Angelo.

Both Dyer and Phillips have been there before.

Dyer was the only Harvester to advance to regional competition a year ago after placing second in the 110 hurdles at district.

Dyer was not to be denied this year, winning the district title with a 14.96 time.

Randall's Cory Orr was second at 15.15.

This is the third consecutive trip to regionals for Phillips, who won the discus and placed second in the shot put at district.

Phillips won the discus event by a wide margin with her 125-0 toss.

Her closest competitor, Dumas' Jayme Williams, had a 118-0 throw.

Phillips, who was hampered last year by a back injury, came close to winning the shot put in a battle with Borger's Kelley Looney. Phillips had a 40-7 throw. Looney won with a 41-9.

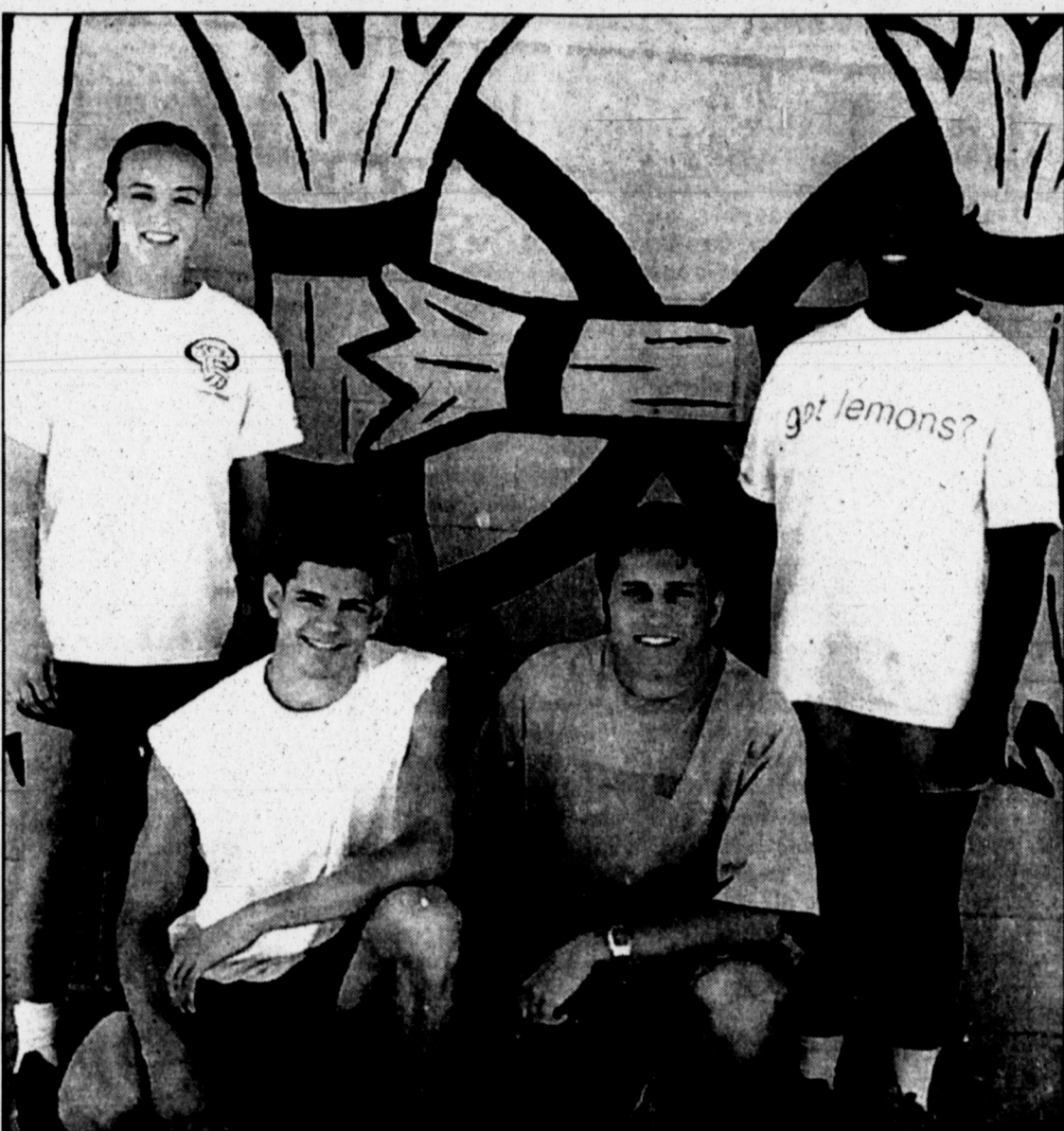
Phillips was also 1-2 in the discus and shot put as a junior. She went to state in the shot put as a sophomore.

Crow placed second in district in the 400 with a time of 50.89.

First-place finisher was Ramon Quintana of Dumas with a 49.87. Crow also came close to qualifying for the regionals in the 200, taking third behind Randall's Cory Flow.

Stowers, a junior, is the only underclassman in the group.

Her 37-2 1/4 in the triple jump earned her second place in the district meet. Borger's Marilyn Sauls was first at 38-10.



Pampa's regional qualifiers are (front, from left) Matthew Crow and Tanner Dyer; (back, from left) Teryn Stowers and Angela Phillips.

NOTEBOOK

BASEBALL

PAMPA — A coaches work party has been scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday at Pampa Optimist Park.

All fields need to be worked on to get them ready for the upcoming baseball and softball seasons.

Coaches are asked to bring their weed-eaters and shovels.

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Five Pampa Lady Harvester basketball players have been named to the Class 4A Academic All-State Team by the Texas Girls Coaches Association.

Those receiving the award were Cali Covalt, Ashley Derington, Jennifer Lindsey, Randa Morris and Morgan White.

"The standards set to qualify for this award are difficult to meet. It's remarkably rare to have this many student-athletes from the same school and team achieve this honor," said Pampa head girls coach Steve Schmidt. "Great job, Ladies!"

The TGCA is the largest girls coaches association in the nation.

GOLF

PAMPA — Hidden Hills Ladies Golf Association will start having Playdays. There will be a meeting at 5:30 p.m. Monday at Hidden Hills public golf course.

HILTONHEAD ISLAND, S.C. (AP) — Family means the world for Davis Love III. This week, it may mean the WorldCom Classic title. Love's brother, Mark, is caddying for him this week, keeping a close eye on the putting stroke.

It worked perfectly Thursday. Love shot a 9-under-par 62 for a two-stroke lead after the first round at Harbour Town Golf Links, where he's won four times.

When a fan remarked about the brothers' rapport, Davis said, "Yeah, if he's fixing my putting."

Mark started on that project last week, and his brother's game flourished Thursday. Love chipped in twice and made six birdie putts of 15 feet or more to finish a stroke off the tournament record set by David Frost in 1994.

Mark Love said his brother was too hunched over putts. He needed to stand taller like Ernie Els and let his arms flow freely during the stroke.

"He always seems to find a way to get me putting when I'm not putting well because he's watched me so much," Love said.

The Loves worked together on tour for years, until their golf course design business got busier.

"We came to a mutual decision that he'd caddy some for fun and concentrate on the golf course design business," Davis said.

When the PGA Tour

JV champions



The Pampa Harvester Junior Varsity team took first place in both boys singles and boys doubles at this spring's JU District Tennis Tournament. Adam Etchison won boys singles, defeating Andrew Arridge of Canyon 6-1, 4-6, 6-2 in the finals. Kevin Turner and Britton White cruised to the finals by losing only three games in the three matches leading to the finals. They defeated Farley-Roberts of Canyon 6-4, 6-3 in the finals. Payton Baird advanced to the semifinals by defeating Terry-Bryan of Borger 3-6, 6-4, 6-0. Pictured above are (l-r) White, Etchison and Turner.

Lakers face tough challenges

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Being the best carries a price. The Los Angeles Lakers hear the "Beat L.A." chant around the league, and it's music to the two-time defending champions.

"We have to understand how many teams despise us and how many times we go places that it's the biggest game of the year," Lakers guard Derek Fisher said.

The Lakers need only remember last Sunday's game in Portland. They'll get a chance to do something about that when they face the Trail Blazers in the first round of the playoffs.

Portland's Ruben Patterson, the self-proclaimed "Kobe Stopper," stood on top of the scorer's table celebrating in the final seconds of his team's 128-120 double-overtime victory.

"It was a playoff game," Patterson said amid the jubilation.

Well, not exactly.

The best-of-five series actually begins Sunday at Staples Center, where Patterson and his teammates get another shot at Kobe Bryant and the Lakers.

"I think it's obvious we are in everybody's head," Fisher said. "Personnel decisions that teams made in recent years, trying to beat us, comments that are made, things that happen after teams have beaten us, the way they celebrate when they win."

The Blazers have fared well against the Lakers, going 23-15, including 2-2 this season in the regular season, over the last nine years.

But the playoffs have been another matter. The teams have met in 10 series, with the Lakers winning eight.

Portland has been eliminated by Los Angeles four times in the last five years, including a first-round sweep last April and a seven-game victory in the 2000 Western Conference finals.

Harvester Lanes to have summer leagues

PAMPA — Harvester Lanes is getting for summer league bowling, starting next month. For information on the leagues, call 806-665-3422.

Summer 2002 Schedule Ladies Trio
(3 to a team)
7 p.m. Wednesdays: Meeting

date: May 15; Starting date, May 15.

Generation Gap
(2 adults-1 child)
7 p.m. Wednesdays: Meeting date: May 15; Starting date: May 15.

Lottery League
(4, any combo)
7 p.m. Thursdays: Meeting date: May 9; Starting date:

May 16.

Pampa Sheltered Workshop
6 p.m. Thursdays: Meeting date: June 6; Starting date: June 6.

Harvester "Nascar" Combo
(4, any combo)
7 p.m. Fridays: Meeting date: April 19; Starting date: April 26.

Texas Sports in Brief

By The Associated Press

DALLAS (AP) — Allen Wilson, who led high school football teams at Paris and Tyler to state championships, has been hired as athletic director and head football coach at Dallas Carter.

Wilson's career record is 161-65-4, including a mark of 102-34-2 at Tyler John Tyler and 59-31-2 at Paris. Wilson, 50, leaves John Tyler after 11 seasons, including an undefeated Class 5A Division II state championship in 1994, when the Lions went unbeaten in 16 games. Wilson led Paris to a Class 4A state title in 1988.

John Tyler lost to Katy in the state championship game in 2000 and advanced to the 5A Division III semifinals in 1997.

He replaces Marvin Sedberry, who left after one season to return to Greenville, where he coached the previous nine years.

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers still waited Thursday to find out if John Rucker would accept his demotion to the minor leagues.

Texas optioned the struggling reliever to Triple-A Oklahoma City early Wednesday after he blew a save opportunity by giving up two runs in the 10th inning of a 6-5 loss at Anaheim the night before. Rucker has until late Friday to report to the RedHawks of the Pacific Coast League.

Since Rucker has fewer than four years of service in the majors and an option remaining, the 27-year-old left-hander can't force his release from the Rangers by refusing to accept the assignment.

In a statement released Thursday evening, Rangers general manager John Hart and Rucker's agent, Joe Sambito, announced they reached an agreement that gives Rucker "an indefinite period of time and certainly into next week" to decide if he wants to report.

"We all agreed that the right thing to do is to give John additional time to collect his thoughts and make his decision," Hart said in the statement.

"I am confident that he will decide to report to Oklahoma and begin working on getting back to the major leagues."

HOUSTON (AP) — The whole season was a big pain for the Houston Rockets, and that was especially true for Steve Francis, the team's best player.

Francis missed 25 games, seven of them with migraine headaches. He played in others with his head throbbing as the Rockets staggered to a 28-54 record, their worst finish since 1982-83 when they were 14-68.

The Rockets lost center Maurice Taylor with an Achilles tendon injury before the season started. Glen Rice was gone after 20 games with a partial tear of the patellar tendon in his right knee.

A 5-1 start despite the injuries gave coach Rudy Tomjanovich false hope.

"I will admit there was a time in the early part of the season after we had the good start it got to me a little bit," Tomjanovich said.

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Never mind that the Seattle SuperSonics beat the San Antonio Spurs twice this season and just missed taking a third.

In Tim Duncan's mind, the first-round playoff matchup between the teams is pretty clear-cut.

"If we play the way we're capable of playing," he said Thursday, "they have no chance against us."

And if the second-seeded Spurs don't hit their potential in the best-of-five series that opens Saturday at the Alamodome?

"They're very capable of beating us," Duncan said. "They're a dangerous team, a very dangerous team."

Rashard Lewis and Vladimir Radmanovich, two key members of the SuperSonics, were unable to practice because of injuries on Thursday and coach Nate McMillan listed them as questionable for his team's playoff opener.

If Lewis' sprained left ankle doesn't improve, and if the Sonics are also without Radmanovich, they would have to face the Spurs without their top two small forwards.

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Larue's base-loaded hit lifts Reds past Astros in 10th inning

By JOE KAY
AP Sports Writer

CINCINNATI (AP) — As soon as the bullpen gate opened, the Cincinnati Reds realized they had a chance after all.

The Reds couldn't do anything for seven innings against Roy Oswalt, whose 95 mph fastball left them scoreless and hopeless. Once he was gone, the comeback was on.

Aaron Boone hit a three-run homer in the eighth and Jason LaRue singled with the bases loaded in the bottom of the 10th inning Thursday for a 5-4 victory over the Houston Astros that started one-sided and ended with one comeback after another.

The Astros went so far as to use five infielders as the Reds put together the winning rally, a move that worked for one batter, then was discarded.

"I've seen it on TV before," said Austin Kearns, who grounded to one of the five infielders for a forceout at home. "It was pretty different."

Manager Jim Williams' version of the nickel defense got everyone talking, but one of his routine moves got the Reds' comeback rolling.

Oswalt has dominated the Reds during his brief career, allowing only one run in five appearances covering 28 2/3

innings. He gave up six hits in seven innings and threw 86 pitches before turning a 2-0 lead over to the bullpen Thursday.

"We didn't get to him too much," Adam Dunn said. "He must have reached his pitch count or something. It's a relief. Would you rather face Oswalt or their bullpen? It's a no-brainer."

Oswalt didn't disagree with the decision. The Astros' bullpen was rested and the sunny, 80-degree afternoon was taking a toll.

"I was wearing down a little," Oswalt said. "They asked me if I wanted to go one more inning. If I go back out for one more inning, I would want to go back out for two (and the shutout)."

Billy Wagner gave up Boone's two-out homer that put the Reds up 3-2 in the eighth. Reds closer Danny Graves gave up a tying run in the ninth, and Gabe White (1-0) walked Adam Everett with the bases loaded in the top of the 10th to put Houston up 4-3.

Dunn's single off Nelson Cruz (0-2) tied it again in the bottom of the inning, and the Reds loaded the bases off Ricky Stone with one out. Williams then shifted Geoff Blum from left field to third base, giving the Astros five infielders and only two outfielders.

"I thought I counted 12 guys," Dunn

said. "They were everywhere."

Kearns hit a grounder right to Everett at shortstop, setting up a forceout at home that kept it tied. Blum went back to left field when LaRue came up.

"It turned out to be a pretty good gamble," Blum said. "It's a shame we couldn't have closed it out."

LaRue lined a single between Blum and the foul line, ending the game and avoiding a three-game sweep.

"That's the kind of game that can turn us back around," LaRue said. "To win like we did today could get us back on the right track."

Notes: Reds C Corky Miller lost his bat on a swing in the third inning, sending it spiraling into the stands. A man turned away and got hit in the lower back, but didn't require medical attention. ... The umpires made the Astros remove a homemade shade from their dugout in the fourth, over Williams' objection. The Astros put a couple of towels together, then taped them to the top of the dugout to give Oswalt some shade between innings. "I think that (objections) came from the other dugout," Oswalt said. "They tried to make me sweat." ... Reds 1B Sean Casey, who hadn't played since he was hit by a pitch in the side of the head on Saturday night, pinch hit and grounded into a forceout in the seventh, then left for a pinchrunner.

National League Standings

All Times EDT				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
New York	10	6	.625	—
Florida	8	7	.533	1 1/2
Montreal	8	8	.500	2
Atlanta	7	9	.438	3
Philadelphia	7	9	.438	3

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Pittsburgh	9	5	.643	—
St. Louis	9	7	.563	1
Cincinnati	8	7	.533	1 1/2
Houston	7	8	.467	2 1/2
Chicago	5	9	.357	4
Milwaukee	4	12	.250	6

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
San Francisco	10	5	.667	—
Arizona	10	6	.625	1/2
Los Angeles	9	7	.563	1 1/2
San Diego	8	8	.500	2 1/2
Colorado	5	11	.313	5 1/2

Wednesday's Games
 Atlanta 2, N.Y. Mets 1
 Pittsburgh 3, Milwaukee 2
 Los Angeles 6, Colorado 3
 St. Louis 8, Arizona 4
 Montreal 15, Chicago Cubs 8
 Philadelphia 7, Florida 5
 Houston 7, Cincinnati 2
 San Diego 5, San Francisco 3

Thursday's Games
 Cincinnati 5, Houston 4, 10 innings
 N.Y. Mets 1, Montreal 0
 Florida 8, Philadelphia 7
 Milwaukee 7, St. Louis 5
 Los Angeles 5, San Diego 2

Friday's Games
 Cincinnati (Hamilton 1-0) at Chicago Cubs

Saturday's Games
 N.Y. Mets (Estes 0-1) at Montreal (Pavano 1-2), 1:35 p.m.
 Philadelphia (Adams 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Villone 1-2), 1:35 p.m.
 St. Louis (Matthews 0-0 or Timlin 0-0) at Milwaukee (Rusch 1-1), 2:05 p.m.
 Cincinnati (Dessens 0-3) at Chicago Cubs (Wood 2-0), 2:20 p.m.
 Florida (Burnett 2-1) at Atlanta (Maddux 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
 San Francisco (Ortiz 1-1) at Houston (Redding 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
 Colorado (Thomson 2-1) at Arizona (Helling 1-2), 10:05 p.m.
 San Diego (Jones 1-0) at Los Angeles (Perez 1-1), 10:10 p.m.

Sunday's Games
 Florida at Atlanta, 1:05 p.m.
 N.Y. Mets at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.
 St. Louis at Milwaukee, 2:05 p.m.
 Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
 San Francisco at Houston, 2:35 p.m.
 San Diego at Los Angeles, 4:10 p.m.
 Colorado at Arizona, 4:35 p.m.

Lofton helps White Sox complete three-game sweep with Indians

By JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer

Kenny Lofton let his former teammates know that winning the AL Central won't be easy.

Lofton tormented Cleveland with his speed and power Thursday night, leading the Chicago White Sox past the Indians 7-1 to complete a three-game sweep.

The Indians, who came to Chicago riding a 10-game winning streak, were outscored 24-8 in the series. Chicago has won eight of nine with a healthy Lofton patrolling center and running the bases with abandon, just as he did in his peak with the Indians.

"Kenny's off to a nice start and after that the whole lineup complements each other," Cleveland's Jim Thome said. "We were impressed with their offense. They got momentum early the whole series. That's what this game is about."

Lofton, who spent nine years with the Indians, batted a career-low .261 last season. The White Sox signed him as a free agent just before spring training.

Lofton finished the three-game set 6-for-14 with six runs scored. He has a nine-game hitting streak and has reached base safely in all

15 of Chicago's games.

"I was playing against my old team for the first time, but after the first at-bat, it's just another game," Lofton said after going 2-for-4 with his first White Sox homer.

In other AL games, it was: the Yankees 8, Baltimore 4; Tampa Bay 6, Detroit 4; Oakland 4, Anaheim 2; and Minnesota 4, Kansas City 1.

Todd Ritchie (1-1), acquired in the offseason from Pittsburgh, allowed six hits and one run in seven innings, for his first AL victory since he was a reliever with the Twins in 1997.

Paul Konerko hit a solo homer off Bartolo Colon (3-1) in the second and Lofton led off the third with a long drive over the fence in right.

"They just outplayed us. It's still too early to tell if they're better than us," Indians manager Charlie Manuel said. The teams play four games at Jacobs Field next week.

Yankees 8, Orioles 4
Shane Spencer, trying to prove he deserves to play every day, hit a three-run homer off Scott Erickson (1-2) that sent David Wells and New York over visiting Baltimore.

Wells (3-0) beat Baltimore for the second time this year. He

pitched eight innings and allowed all four runs in the fourth, three on Jeff Conine's homer.

Devil Rays 6, Tigers 4
Former Tiger Chris Gomez homered and drove in four runs to support Ryan Rupe (2-1) as the Tampa Bay ended Detroit's two-game winning streak.

After becoming the fifth team since 1900 to start a season 0-11, Detroit won the first two games of the series against Tampa Bay at Comerica Park.

But Gomez's two-run double off Jeff Weaver (0-3) in a four-run sixth helped Tampa Bay win the game.

Athletics 4, Angels 2
At Oakland, Carlos Pena hit a two-run homer and Erik Hiljusz (2-1) pitched seven strong innings for the Athletics.

Terrence Long and Jeremy Giambi also homered off Ramon Ortiz (1-2) for the A's, who snapped a three-game losing streak.

Scott Spiezio homered for the Angels, who lost their second straight. Troy Glaus, hitless in his last 19 at-bats, had an apparent home run taken away when the umpires reversed a decision in the sixth.

Twins 4, Royals 1
Eric Milton mastered Kansas

City again and Torii Hunter hit his fifth home run to give Minnesota the win at the Metrodome.

Milton (3-1) gave up one run and four hits in 7 2/3 innings to improve to 11-2 against the Royals

in his career. Eddie Guardado pitched the ninth for his seventh save.

Jeff Suppan (1-2) gave up four runs and seven hits in 7 1/3 innings.

American League Standings

All Times EDT				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Boston	9	4	.692	—
New York	10	7	.588	1
Tampa Bay	6	8	.429	3 1/2
Toronto	6	8	.429	3 1/2
Baltimore	4	11	.267	6

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Cleveland	11	4	.733	—
Chicago	10	5	.667	1
Minnesota	10	6	.625	1 1/2
Kansas City	5	8	.385	5
Detroit	2	12	.143	8 1/2

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	13	3	.813	—
Oakland	9	7	.563	4
Anaheim	5	10	.333	7 1/2
Texas	4	11	.267	8 1/2

Wednesday's Games
 Boston 10, Toronto 3
 Detroit 7, Tampa Bay 6
 N.Y. Yankees 7, Baltimore 1
 Kansas City 16, Minnesota 3
 Chicago White Sox 7, Cleveland 2
 Texas 4, Anaheim 1
 Seattle 7, Oakland 4

Thursday's Games
 Minnesota 4, Kansas City 1
 Tampa Bay 6, Detroit 4
 Oakland 4, Anaheim 2
 N.Y. Yankees 8, Baltimore 4
 Chicago White Sox 7, Cleveland 1

Friday's Games
 Toronto (Prokopec 1-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 3-0), 7:05 p.m.
 Baltimore (Maduro 1-1) at Tampa Bay (Sturtz 0-2), 7:15 p.m.
 Cleveland (Sabathia 2-0) at Minnesota (Lohse 0-1), 8:05 p.m.
 Detroit (Sparks 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (Weight 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
 Boston (PMartinez 1-0) at Kansas City (Graig 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
 Texas (Rogers 0-0) at Seattle (Abbott 1-0), 10:05 p.m.
 Anaheim (Washburn 0-2) at Oakland (Fyhr 0-0), 10:05 p.m.

Saturday's Games
 Toronto (Halladay 1-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Lilly 0-1), 1:05 p.m.
 Detroit (Cornejo 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (Garland 1-1), 2:05 p.m.
 Anaheim (Appier 1-1) at Oakland (Zito 0-1), 4:05 p.m.
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Sunday's Games
 Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 1:05 p.m.
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Horoscope

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2002
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)
**** Don't let crossed wires ruin a perfectly good day! Jump over a misunderstanding, keeping a smile on your face. Your gracious attitude helps transform another's mood. Confusion seems innate at this moment. Listen to a loved one. Tonight: Forget tomorrow. Live now.

This Week: Frustration surrounds work. You have so much to do. Save meetings and networking for the end of the week.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
**** You could be confused by another's mixed message. Take time to clear out what is going on. Pressure builds within the home front. Work with a loved one or a partner, and you'll also transform your relationship for the better.

Tonight: Snuggle in at home.
This Week: Use your creativity, especially regarding a money issue. Still, nothing can replace hard work, extra hours and precise bookkeeping.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** You could be so busy working out your thoughts in your head that you might not be listening. Be careful before pointing your finger in a misunderstanding. Rather, take responsibility, and so will someone else. Communication and trust improve. Tonight: How 'bout an old-fashioned date?

This Week: You might have a stronger than normal reaction on Monday. Perhaps you've got too much on your plate. Schedule a short week. You need a break.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
**** Don't worry so much about an expenditure. You simply might not be able to find a way around it. You could get yourself in a tizzy, or you might play the smart shopper and get the best buy possible. Which way are you going to go? Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

This Week: Speak your mind, but don't blow your cork! Others won't get your

message. Drum up all the patience you have. You might be able to leave work on Thursday and start the weekend early.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** You're all smiles, despite what another might say. An associate or relative could be upset and direct his or her mood at you. Be gracious and understanding. Meanwhile, make some plans to get into a favorite pastime or sport.

Tonight: Play away.
This Week: Money matters confuse professional situations, though they are linked together. On Wednesday, you clear out. Diplomacy and kindness save the day — oops, week.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
** Take your time when dealing with another, be it a boss, in-law or loved one. You could allow a misunderstanding to develop into a lot more. Since you don't want the War of the Roses, be smart and relax your position. You're not changing anyone. Tonight: Vanish into a good TV show.

This Week: The Moon in your sign Monday through Wednesday highlights you, though you might wish otherwise on Monday. Stay on course, knowing what you want.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** You might mean well, but another seems to be in the mood to find a problem with every word you say. Pull back and join your friends or do something you really want to do. Leave another to chill out, even it means re-arranging your plans. Tonight: Let the party go on.

This Week: Consider calling in sick on Monday. Not until Wednesday will you feel ready to deal with others. You'll be unstoppable then.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** Your happier side emerges when dealing with a child or loved one. You don't have to go far to enjoy yourself. Intensity marks a financial matter. You might need to make a minor adjustment, whether you would like to or not.

Tonight: A must appearance.
This Week: Aim for what you want, despite another's tantrum. You cannot please everyone all of the time. By Thursday, you will want to play ostrich.

Thus is enough.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** You could be testier than you realize. Develop a stronger sense of self. If you're tired, own up to it. If you need a break from the day-to-day grind, hop in the car. Invite a friend along as you do something different and refreshing.

Tonight: What about that book you've been thinking of reading?
This Week: All eyes turn to you. Take charge, but don't be surprised if everyone doesn't agree. By Thursday, you'll have won over the majority.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
**** Allow another to give you more feedback. This person might have a strong opinion about how you're handling a relationship — maybe even yours! Carefully consider options that involve a money matter. Listen to suggestions. Tonight: You don't have to go far.

This Week: Take an overview, and don't take another's words or actions personally. That's the way. Others will applaud your strong actions later on.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** Let another express him- or herself. He or she will anyway. This person might be close to home or might even be a family member. You discover that you have a lot more opportunities than you realize. Flex more and don't get stuck in your ways. Tonight: Skip on out to dinner.

This Week: You might not want to deal with someone about finances. You also might not have a choice. By Wednesday, the heat is off, and you'll actually enjoy what you're doing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
*** Take your time right now. You could be overwhelmed by what is going on at work and need some downtime. The best way to proceed is to turn on your answering machine, put up your feet and do your thing. Tonight: Order in.

This Week: Others run with the ball. Cocoon while you can. You don't need to be a player until late Wednesday. Discuss options carefully, as uptight people surround you.

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Teams looking to move up and down in first round

NEW YORK (AP) — Nobody will be trading for the first pick in Saturday's NFL draft. Beyond that, anything is possible.

After the expansion Houston Texans open proceedings by making Fresno State quarterback David Carr the No. 1 pick, the Carolina Panthers will entertain offers for the second spot. And just about every team will make overtures to get into the top dozen slots or to trade down and pick up extra picks.

Seattle coach-general manager Mike Holmgren has his eyes on a much higher position than the Seahawks' No. 20 spot.

"I'll move up in there," Holmgren said. "Whatever it takes. The whole trick is to get someone who is willing to get out of there. We're at 20. So

I'd have to throw in a lot of stuff."

With the Seahawks, who are moving into a new \$430 million stadium this season, Holmgren would love to have a playmaking rookie in the lineup. If he can trade into an early position, he might be looking at North Carolina defensive end Julius Peppers, Texas cornerback Quentin Jammer, Oklahoma safety Roy Williams or one of the four touted defensive tackles.

"Things could happen," Holmgren said. "You just have to have a team that is willing to move out of there. You know, taking a pick early in the draft is a huge money deal. So if a team has a salary cap problem, is getting squeezed and they want to move out of there, you might have more of a chance."

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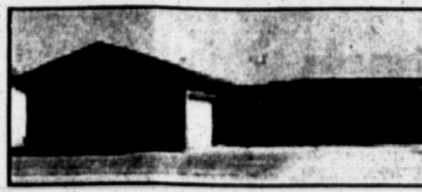
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Robert Blake arrested, now suspect in slain wife's death

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Police have arrested actor Robert Blake, the tough-talking cop in the old "Baretta" TV series, alleging he shot his wife to death nearly a year ago because he felt "trapped" in his marriage.

Blake was arrested Thursday night at a home in Hidden Hills, a gated suburban community he had moved to shortly after the death of his wife, Bonny Lee Bakley.

Police said they would seek charges of murder and solicitation of murder, and noted that Blake, 68, could face the death penalty if convicted.

Bakley, 44, was killed a block from a Studio City restaurant where she and Blake had just dined. They were married about five months before the May 4 slaying, after DNA tests proved he fathered her baby daughter, Rosie.

Police also arrested Blake's bodyguard and chauffeur, Earle Caldwell, on Thursday. They said they would seek to have him charged with conspiracy to commit murder.

Blake was taken to the downtown Los Angeles County jail, where he was held in the hospital section to segregate him from the general inmate population, said Deputy Roberta Graneck, a Sheriff's Department spokeswoman. He was not ill, she said.

At a news conference hours after the arrests, police said they believe Blake shot Bakley in the head minutes after the couple left the restaurant.

"We believe the motive is Robert Blake had contempt for Bonny Bakley," said police Capt. Jim Tatreau. "He felt he was trapped in a marriage that he wanted no part of and, quite frankly, the situation was not to his liking at all."

Tatreau confirmed earlier reports that police recovered the murder weapon, a World War II-era German-made handgun, from a trash bin about a day after the killing.

Police Chief Bernard Parks said the investi-

gation was one of the most intensive in the department's history, adding that officers traveled to more than 20 states, interviewed more than 150 witnesses, checked out more than 150 tips and sifted through more than 900 pieces of evidence.

"All other suspects have been eliminated," he said. "The LAPD case has developed both physical and substantial circumstantial evidence that Robert Blake killed Bonny Lee Bakley."

Blake's attorney, Harland Braun, said many people had a reason to kill Bakley. Stacks of letters, pornographic pictures and meticulously detailed records showed that Bakley, using many aliases, ran a business soliciting money from lonely men who answered her ads in magazines and newspapers.

"Everyone who ever came in contact with her had a motive," he told reporters after the Police Department news conference.

Minutes earlier, Tatreau had dismissed that contention.

"No way did every person that dealt with Bonny Bakley want to kill her," he said.

Blake has said Bakley was shot in the head when he left her alone in his car to return to the restaurant to retrieve a gun he'd accidentally left behind. He was carrying the .38-caliber pistol, he said, to protect her from threats she received.

Blake reacted calmly to his arrest, Braun said.

"His main concern right now is his children," the lawyer said.

Tatreau said Blake told his adult daughter to take care of his baby girl, Rosie, before leaving with officers.

"He was very passive and friendly," Tatreau said, adding that Blake, who has been a suspect in the case almost since the beginning, already knew many of the detectives involved.

Church accused of stonewalling

CINCINNATI (AP) — Although officials at the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cincinnati have provided five boxes of documents to investigators, a prosecutor angrily accused the archdiocese of withholding records sought under subpoena in a child abuse investigation.

Prosecutor Michael Allen had sought information about the identities of people who had reported or investigated child abuse allegations, as well as possible victims and offenders.

Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk and Chancellor Christopher Armstrong were summoned to appear before a grand jury Thursday to discuss the abuse allegations. Pilarczyk, 67, was excused from testifying but prosecutors said he still may be required to appear later.

"In essence what we got was 'you want it, you find it,'" Allen said. "Well, guess what? That's what we're in

the process of doing. That's not cooperation. That's why Rev. Armstrong is where he is today."

An attorney for the archdiocese was angered by Allen's "inappropriate and inaccurate remarks" and called a news conference to rebut his accusations.

"It is our position that we are fully complying with the grand jury's request for information," said attorney Mark Vander Laan. "The idea that we are not cooperating and not providing what we legally can provide is very unjust."

The archdiocese said it was willing to cooperate with the investigation but it wanted a grand jury subpoena, which it said would keep church records confidential unless there was a criminal indictment.

Pilarczyk, archbishop of Cincinnati since 1982, is the first American archbishop to be subpoenaed to appear before a grand jury, said

David Clohessy, national director of the Chicago-based Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests.

Allen asked for the information after Pilarczyk said some priests accused of child abuse in the past were still working in the archdiocese after undergoing treatment. The archbishop said those priests were in positions where no problems would occur and were being monitored.

Allen said it was his job, not the church's, to determine if crimes had been committed and if anyone should be prosecuted.

The Roman Catholic church has struggled with sexual abuse scandals nationwide since January, when documents revealed Boston church officials had long ignored complaints against a now-defrocked priest convicted of molestation. Dozens of priests have been suspended or forced to resign.

New Yorkers attending Oklahoma bombing anniversary

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The quiet will last 168 seconds — one tick of the clock for each person who died in the Oklahoma City bombing.

Seven years have now passed since the Alfred P. Murrah federal building exploded on an April morning. For survivors and victims' family members coming to mark the anniversary Friday, the silence will be one feature of a subdued ceremony near an elm tree that survived the April 19, 1995 blast.

Time has passed, but the pain is still evident for some of those who survived.

"It is a little easier, but it's still hard," said Vicki Hamm, a bombing survivor. "My knees get weak because these feelings come back. The bombing is something I will live with for always. I try to accept that, I don't want to forget it."

This year, the mourners won't be alone: Some who lost loved ones in the attack on the World Trade Center have come to help them mark the day.

Hamm was among a handful of bombing sur-

vivors who greeted about 20 relatives of Sept. 11 victims at Will Rogers World airport on Thursday.

"We've come so far in the recovery process and they haven't," she said. "It brings me back to how I felt back then, when emotions were so raw."

Other victims of the bombing have developed deep friendships with families of

the Sept. 11 dead.

Ken Thompson, whose mother died in the bombing, embraced Cathy Miller, who lost her father Sept. 11. The two have talked almost daily since Miller e-mailed the Oklahoma City National Memorial two days after her father was killed.

"It's overwhelming, but it feels good to be here," Miller said.

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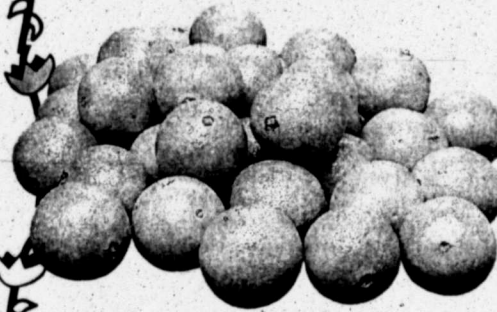
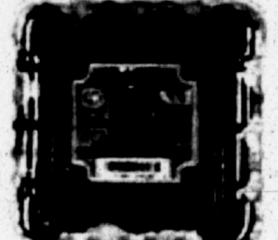
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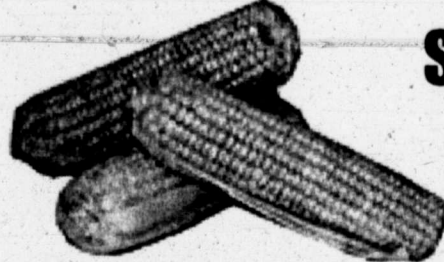


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