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Pampa Fire Department will present a program on Lovett Memorial Library. dren, 5 and under. Refreshments will be served

and a drawing held. **Emergency workers** to lead rodeo parade

Top O' Texas Rodeo Association plans to honor all emergency responder organizations in the Pampa area by making them parade marshals of the rodeo parade on Saturday, July 13.

To make arrangements for special transportation in this year's rodeo parade or for more information, representatives of the respective tion. emergency responders can call the Rodeo Office at 669-

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Tempers flare at PEDC meeting

By NANCY YOUNG Managing Editor

Monday evening's Economic Pampa Corporation Development meeting is any indication, the communication breakdown between the PEDC and the City of Pampa may end soon:

Tempers flared in the early part of the meeting as two Pampa City Commission members verbalized their frustrations in the public session.

Commissioner Jeff McCormick began the meeting saving, "Something I feel very strongly about is that as a board as an EDC (Economic Development Corporation) we have appointed you (the PEDC board) to be subject to us. That's not what is going on. I have no idea (what is going on)," he said. "I find out from the paper what is really going on, and I don't like that. I don't like what the paper is printing right now because I feel that it is negative, very negative. And you all may not





Pampa City Commissioner Robert Dixon expresses outrage concerning a \$9,088 bill from PEDC attorneys during the PEDC meeting Monday as Dr. Louis Haydon, foreground, listens. PEDC Board Vice President Gary Sutherland, right, said he won't resign from the PEDC board. Vanessa Buzzard, to Sutherland's right, is serving as the PEDC board's attorney.

have nothing to do with that,

McCormick continued, and I feel that the Commission and I'm not putting that on "But there's some facts that, needs to know about it, and in the EDC is doing right now, doing that let us know what is

going on in a timely fashion," he said. "There are some decisions that you all make that I don't totally agree with, but you are a board that we appointed and we stick behind you. I would just like to see more involvement with the EDC coming to us and telling us what's going on. Let us know. Good or bad.'

PEDC Board President Dalton Lewis McCormick what type of information he would like to know about the PEDC, "Less than two weeks ago, I sat down with the mayor and visited with him for about an hour about what was going on," said Lewis.

Lewis said he talked with Mayor Lonny Robbins about the supposed animosity between the PEDC board and the Pampa City Commission. "The mayor said there was no such thing there," said Lewis.

"Well, he's wrong," responded McCormick. He said Robbins was only speak-(See **TEMPERS**, Page 3)

fire safety at the upcoming meeting of MOM MANIA at 6:30 p.m., today, June 26, at MOM MANIA is a support group for mothers with children , 5 and under. Winds fuel fire

By DEE DEE LARAMORE probably never know

in the backyard fanned by high winds caused the blaze that destroyed a Pampa family's home and belongings

As fire officials continued their investigation Monday, up a tent," he said, "but as far community efforts were under as I can tell, they weren't anyway to help the single mother and five children who lost everything in the conflagra-

After hours of sorting through burned debris with the help of other firefighters Monday, Pampa Fire Marshal Gary Stevens determined that children -ages 11, 10, 7 and 5 strong winds spread a grass fire in the back yard at 1226 S. Sumner to vegetation that had grown up under the wall of a

"It's unknown what started the grass fire," Stevens said. "That's something I really will

have been fireworks.

He said the family who Authorities say a grass fire lived there - Donna Estes and her five children unaware of the grass fire and didn't realize what was happening until the garage-area erupted into flames.

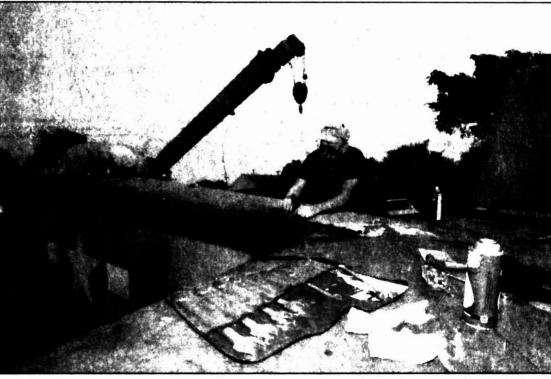
> "They were outside putting where near the back yard."

Stevens said the single story frame home was completely destroyed in the fire. He estimated the total loss at \$20,000.

Estes, an inserter at The Pampa News cares for her five alone. She does not have

Hobart Baptist Church. where the Estes family attends services, started a relief effort for them Monday morning. A church spokesman this morn-

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(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Frank Liggins, a Freedom USA Museum volunteer, helps assemble a World War II vintage B-25 bomber on the northside of the museum.

B-25 finds new home

By DAVID BOWSER

STAFF WRITER

The man heading the team assembling a World War II bomber at Freedom USA Museum on Hobart Street said it ought to be recognizable as an airplane by Tuesday after-

Chuck Mosely, who's heading a three man team to assemble a B-25 bomber at the museum, said he expects to finish with the plane by

"I've got reservations at the motel through

Friday, just in case," Mosely said with a grin. The vintage warbird is the result of a swap that Mike Porter, director of the museum, made with a museum in Pembleton, Ore

Porter said he received a call earlier this year from Tim Kelly in Pembleton, asking if the museum had a Marine Corps model B-25 with a nose mounted radar. The Pembleton museum was looking for that model as part of a display to honor Gen. James Dolittle's raid on Tokyo in the early days of World War II, Porter explained.

"Those guys in Oregon wanted the one we had badly because they had been searching for six years for that particular plane," Bray said, "We had it."

While Porter told Kelly that the museum had one housed in a hanger at the Pampa airport,

Porter said the museum couldn't afford to send it to them and was reluctant to give it up.

"We're broke," Porter said he told Kelly. "Our money is very limited. Pampa is not

growing very fast right now. Kelly offered to come to Pampa, disassemble the B-25 that the museum had and take it back to Oregon. In return, they would ship another B-25 from Quantico, Va., to Pampa for

"It's at no expense to us," said Thelma Bray, who's on the museum board.

Porter said he checked with the museum's board of directors, and they left the decision up to him. "They put the monkey on my back," Porter laughed.

Kelly came down the following weekend to look at the plane the museum had at that time. "I met them at the airport," Porter said.

About two weeks later. Kelly and his crew had the plane at Perry Lefors Field disassembled, on a truck and ready to leave for Oregon.

Not long after that, Mosely called Porter, explaining that he would soon deliver another B-25 to the museum and asked if Porter could provide a crane and a forklift.

"I went to work and got those, and here we are," Porter said as he sat next to the back door of the museum, watching the crew assemble the B-25 that arrived Sunday.

(See B-25, Page 3)

Wildfires bring haze to sky here

ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

Giant wildfires burning over 500,000 acres in Arizona and Colorado are having an effect here as hazy, milky skies cover the Texas Panhandle today – the result of smoke pouring off

KGRO/ KOMX meteorologist Darrell Sehorn said the smoke is getting caught in the upper-level steering winds which have brought it over the area. He expects much of the country "will be overspread" as the winds go eastward.

Lance Goehring, meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Amarillo, says the hazy conditions could be around ... as long as the fires burn because the winds aloft aren't so

Goehring was unable to confirm some reports that ash from the fires has floated down in the area.

(See HAZE, Page 3)

MORRIS, Gilbert F. Jr. — 10 a.m., First Baptist Church, Ralston, Okla.

LEROY LEVI SNODGRASS

On Monday, June 22, 2002, Leroy Levi Clement, TyLee McKeown, and Megan Snodgrass of Duncan finally won his battle Sleeker, and four great-granddaughters. He is with a lengthy illness and has gone home to also survived by his mother, one brother, and rest in the Lord.

A memorial service will be held at Don Grantham Funeral Home on Wednesday, June 26, at 2 p.m.

He has left behind his loving, and devoted wife, Barbara, who has given herself completely and unconditionally in his support and care as she stood beside him and fought with him during this very long and difficult battle.

He has also left four daughters and sons-inlaw; Robin and Jimmy Rochell and Beatrice and Bill Rochell, all of Duncan who have devoted an immeasurable amount of time, energy, patience, and unconditional love: Laura and Scott Kennedy, of Comanche and Maria and Steve Sleeker, of Oklahoma City, Okla. He has left behind nine grandchildren; Josh and Brittney Rochell and Jodi Williams and Katie Rochell all of Duncan.

They, too, have devoted themselves unselfishly to the love and care of their Grandfather. Chris Blumer, Cory Blumer, Kim- Duncan, OK 73533.

two sisters all of Kansas. He has been preceded in death by his father and many very dear

Leroy spent four years serving his country in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict. After leaving the Air Force, he moved to the Texas Panhandle where he met and married his wife of 45 years. He worked for Skelly Oil Co. and Russell Electric. In 1975, he and his family moved to Duncan where he spent the next 18 years working for Skelly Oil Co., Getty Oil Co., and Texaco Oil Co. in Velma. He retired from Texaco in 1993.

The family will meet at the home of Robin and Jimmy Rochell, 915 North 60th, Duncan. Leroy will be missed beyond words by a multitude of loving friends and family mem-

Instead of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the New Hope Baptist Church building fund, 5450 West Beech, KENNETH EARL SUTTON 1943-2002

Kenneth Earl Sutton, 59, of Pampa, died Thursday, June 20, 2002, in Paris, France. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m., Thursday at the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Robin Gantz and Dr. Larry Heard officiating.

Mr. Sutton was born May 6, 1943, in Kansas City, Mo. He was an Eagle Scout, and he graduated from Southeast High School in 1961. He received his BS Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Kansas State University in 1970 after serving in the U.S. Army in Viet Nam.

He was a Battalion Communications Sergeant at Fort Hood following his Viet Nam tour. He married Judith Ann Campbell in friend, and willing helper whenever called Kansas in 1970. They moved to Pampa in

Certified as a professional engineer and a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, he worked at Celanese Ltd., until his retirement in 2000. He was staff reliability engineer when he retired and served as consultant to the utilities department since retirement.

He was an integral part of the successful Celanese rebuild program from 1987-89. He was extremely respected in the rotating equipment field throughout the industry. To his coworkers, he was a respected colleague and dear friend. A colleague said, "He made a difference at Celanese.'



In Pampa, he was a devoted family man, a and member elder of the First Presbyierian Church, a member of the Weatherly Sunday School Class at the First United Methodist Church, an avid reader, a valued

He was instrumental in bringing the High Plains Public Radio Station to the community.

Survivors include his wife, Judy, of the home; two daughters and sons-in-law, Loraine Beth and Danny Hendricks and Grace Marie and Monty Nelson, both of Pampa; his father, Earl Kenneth Sutton of Missouri; a sister, Susan Rosetti of Missouri; and four grandchildren, Bryce, Alecsander, and Emily Hendricks, and Molly Nelson, all of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray, Pampa, TX 79065; the First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX 79066-1981; or a favorite charity.

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following accident reports.

Monday, June 24

Bryan David Denham, 25, driving a 1997 Ford Crown Victoria city police car, struck a wooden pole near the intersection of Municipal Drive and Brown Street. No injuries.

Two vehicles, both backing out of private drives at the same time, collided in the 300 block of North Starkweather. John B. Walker Jr., 75, 1149 Terrace, was driving a 1997 Ford Crown Victoria and Steven Wayne Osborn, 45, 1610 Alcock, was driving a 1999 Dodge pickup. No injuries.

Sunday, June 23

Michelle Nicole Bernard, 16, Borger, was cited for failure to yield the right of way/left turn and Antonio Martinez, 18, 211 N. Wynne, was cited for having an unrestrained passenger under 17 following an accident in and Danny Ray Cowan, 52, 604 Magnolia, the 2100 block of Perryton Parkway.

NO SERVICE ...

The Pampa Police Department filed the Bernard was driving a 1988 Pontiac Bonneville and Martinez was driving a 2000 Pontiac Sunfire. Non-incapacitating injuries were reported for two people in the Martinez

Saturday, June 22

An unknown vehicle struck a legally parked pickup truck in the 2200 block of Mary Ellen. The 1998 Ford pickup was reg istered to a company in Laport, Texas.

Friday, June 21 A 1997 Dodge pickup parked in the 2700 block of Rosewood and owned by Duwayne Petty, Long Beach, Calif., was struck by a vehicle that left the scene.

No injuries resulted when two vehicles collided in front of a parking lot entrance in the 1400 block of North Hobart. Brandon Jay McKillip, 21, 1200 S. Hobart, was driving a 2001 Chevrolet extended cab pickup was driving a 1995 Oldsmobile Aurora.

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AMBULANCE

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

Monday, June 24

10:44 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on lifting assistance.

12:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of North Ballard and transport ed one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

FIRE

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

Monday, June 24

7:56 a.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a rekindle in the 1200 block of South Sumner: A mattress was smoldering under the debris from an earlier structure fire.

1:18 p.m. – Five units and seven firefighters responded to the investigation of the fire in the 200 block of South Sumner. The crews on duty went to the scene to help move debris for the fire marshal during his investigation.

5:13 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a report of gas odor in the 2200 block of North Sumner. Firefighters did not find the source of the odor.

SHERIFF

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrest.

Monday, June 24

Willie Lee Angton, 24, Shamrock arrested on warrants for speeding, no dri-

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POLICE

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Friday, May 24

A burglary was reported in the 200 block of North Faulkner where a lock was broken on a garage and an air tank, bench grinder, level and square, valued at \$154, was Saturday, June 1

Burglary of a motor vehicle was report-

ed in the 1600 block of West Somerville where \$495 was taken. The back window of the vehicle was unlatched. Friday, June 14

Albertsons, 1233 N. Hobart, reported a

forgery. Saturday, June 15

A theft was reported from a vehicle at Buckler and Faulkner where several items were taken including a carousel horse, baseball bat, Nintendo 64, ceramic horse, canvas bag, prescription and a vehicle title. The loss is valued at \$180.

Monday, June 17

A burglary was reported in the 400 block of Crest Road where a door was kicked in and a duffel bag with tools, two fishing poles, a tackle box and two chain saws was

taken. The loss is valued at \$820. Friday, June 21 Vandalism was reported after a beer can was thrown at a vehicle in the 300 block of

Criminal trespassing was reported in the

1100 block of North Starkweather.

North Starkweather.

Saturday, June 22 Two air conditioners, valued at \$400,

were reported stolen from a rental house in the 600 block of Bradley.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of West Francis after a car was keyed.

An assault by threat was reported in the 100 block of North Wynne.

An assault causing minor injuries was

reported in the 1300 block of Christine. Monday, June 24

A traffic complaint was made at Louisiana and Duncan.

An assault involving a juvenile was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

A domestic assault with a minor injury was reported in the 1000 block of South Prairie Drive.

Assault with a deadly weapon was reported in the 1000 block of Huff Road after someone reported having had a gun pulled on them.

An information report was taken in the 900 block of South Wells.

Tuesday, June 25.

Allsups, 1900 N. Hobart, reported the theft of \$8.89 worth of beer.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of thunderstorms, highs in the middle 90s, southeast winds 10 to 15 mph, and a 20 percent chance of precipitation. Tonight should be partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms, lows in the middle 60s, southeast winds 10 to 15 mph, and a 20 percent chance of rain. Wednesday should be partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs around 90. South winds 5 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

STATEWIDE

Fog shrouded parts of East Texas early Tuesday ahead of a storm system moving from Louisiana.

Dense fog lowered visibilities in Texarkana. Scattered

developed thunderstorms between Galveston Beaumont.

Also, more scattered storms were located in the panhandle south of Amarillo. They extended as far east as Abilene.

Elsewhere in the state, skies were mostly clear, except for the Trans Pecos region.

But an upper-level low pressure system moving westward from Louisiana was expected to bring more rain.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the upper 60s near Paris to the lower and mid-70s elsewhere.

The cool spot was Marfa with a temperature of 61 degrees.

National Weather The Service forecast called for scattered morning thunderstorms in the South Plains, with partly cloudy conditions elsewhere.

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McCormick said it was his opinion that the November 2001 dissolution by the Pampa voters was to get out of debt and pay the bills. He said he wanted the PEDC "to get on the same page, and communicate.

"I want to get involved with you all and know what's going on, and to do that we have to communicate. I don't see no communication," he said. "You may communicate with the mayor, but you didn't communicate with the rest of us."

Lewis told McCormick the PEDC board asked for an open meeting between the two entities to sit down and communicate, but said they were turned

"Let's make it happen," said McCormick, adding he wanted the city commission to sit down in open session with the PEDC Board.

"There are some issues that need to be discussed, and where we are going. We want to make this town grow and it's not going to grow the way we are going. Let's get honest. We can turn it back around. It's going to take the city leaders todo it," said McCormick.

McCormick said this morning in a telephone interview that he felt the PEDC had gone outside its boundaries as a "If (the City Commission) is going to be accountable, we need to know what's going on," he said.

When asked whether time lines of providing information by the PEDC to the city commission had been established when the PEDC board members were appointed or since then, McCormick said no.

"We need to give some time lines to the PEDC, and understand the functions," he said. "This is unfamiliar territory."

McCormick said he didn't believe Pampa residents had any idea about what was involved when the vote was held to dissolve the PEDC in November 2001. Pampa is the first 4A EDC in Texas to vote for dissolution.

"What a mistake the people made. What a tragedy!", said McCormick of the vote to dissolve the PEDC. "This will be a mistake we will live with for the next four or so years."

McCormick said no one in the community had contacted him about potential problems with the PEDC prior to the petition drive in September to call an election to abolish the EDC. "No one came to me," he said. "We need to come together. The PEDC and City Commission should be working together."

He said he would personally get with Mayor Robbins about setting a date and time for a joint meeting between both PEDC and Pampa City Commission.

City Commissioner Robert Dixon expressed concern to the PEDC Board about a bill from the PEDC attorneys. He asked

the amount of the bill. PEDC Vice President Gary Sutherland told Dixon the board had received a letter from their attorneys that the bill was attorney-client privileged.

"How are you going to pay it if it is attorney-client privilege?" said Dixon. "It's public information. That's taxpayers money."

Vanessa Buzzard, who is employed by the PEDC, told Dixon it was her opinion the bill is a privileged communication, and said it was up to the board to verify the charges.

Dixon responded the charges are made by the attorney to the PEDC Board.

"The PEDC Board is the City appointed by Commission. The Commission is elected by the citizens of Pampa. The citizens of Pampa want to know how much the bill is and want it broke down. I speak for the citizens of Pampa," said Dixon. "That's what I was elected to

PEDC Board member Bill Allison said the bill in the amount of \$9,088 had been received from the attorneys.

"That is excessive," said PEDC Board Vice President

Gary Sutherland told Dixon there needed to be a rational

discussion. As Dixon attempted to interrupt Sutherland, the board vice president told him to listen and hear him out.

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"Dalton said the mayor said there wasn't any animosity on the part of the city commission. Jeff said there is animosity," said Sutherland. "Listening to you, there is obviously animos-

"We need to sit down and we need to have a discussion so that you understand where we are," he said. "When we took over there was no office. There was no help (employees). We had \$2.5 million in assets and \$2.5 in liabilities. If you expect us to do that on a volunteer basis with no help, you're crazy."

Dixon responded, "Well, I guess I'm crazy."

Continuing, Sutherland said. "And I've had one of the members of your august organization say to me, 'Why don't you all just resign?' I guess what my deal is, if you don't like what we're doing, you fire us and you can take the heat.'

Dixon said the attorney bill is too high for the amount of work. Board member Doug Locke told Dixon he was welcome to request the bill based on Freedom of Information. The city commissioner said he wanted the bill printed in the newspaper.

When Locke said releasing a copy of either an itemized bill or total bill would be up to PEDC legal counsel, Dixon responded, "I guess we'll just have to do away with it then, because like I said, it's the taxpayers money."

Locke said he was aware of that and the PEDC is attempting to spend it properly. "We were forced to go hire additional counsel in order to protect this corporation," said Locke.

"Not really," responded

PEDC Board Member Steve Phillips told Dixon the PEDC counsel resigned due to conflict of interest.

"Not really," said Dixon. "He just said that."

Phillips said,"He put it in writing.'

"I know," responded Dixon.

Also sitting in the 50minute PEDC meeting was Mayor Lonny Robbins and City Commissioner Faustina Curry. Neither city official spoke during the meeting and both left immediately afterward.

Dixon told The Pampa News Tuesday morning regarding the attorney's bill, "If I was in the attorney's position, I, too, would want to hide under a cloak of attorney-client privilege."

Dixon said that the attorney's bill is 15 percent of the total money received by the PEDC from sales tax each

He also said the PEDC and City of Pampa.

board members who were on the city-appointed board prior to the dissolution vote rarely had an attorney. "The only time they had one was if they were sued or on a land tract deal." said Dixon.

Dixon said he has seen the bill and knows what is in it. When asked if the bill has been presented to the city commission, he said City Finance Manager John Horst has not received it for payment. When asked how he knew what was contained in the bill, he said, "I just know."

"If nothing is wrong with the bill, why not present it," he said. "The PEDC Board isn't trying to hide anything. These are all honorable men. They just need some direction."

He further said the PEDC Board is going off in areas they shouldn't get into. When asked what guidelines the city commission gave to the PEDC about their duties when appointed seven months ago, he said, "It is an understanding." He also said Tuesday morning that City, Attorney Don Lane resigned as PEDC legal counsel because he couldn't get along with two members on the board.

"We need to stop letting two or three people in the community dictate what's going on," Dixon said.

He said he favors a joint meeting between the PEDC

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HAZE

Meanwhile, dry conditions in Gray County may prompt County Commissioners to discuss the possibility of a fire ban when that group meets in regular session on Monday, County Judge Richard Peet said today.

While he hasn't heard any concern voiced by commissioners so far, Peet said he is going to call them with the idea of placing the subject on the agenda. The judge said

commissioners, by virtue of being out in the county every day, usually have a good grasp on the fire danger situation.

By state law, Peet says it is too late to place any restrictions on fireworks. "We don't have a lot of

control there anyway," the judge said, noting the only restrictions the commission could have put in place were on aerial fireworks.

Several years ago, the governor put a fireworks ban in place after the June 15 dead- the next five-to-seven days,

line but it was lifted before the July 4 holiday because needed rains came, Peet said.

On Monday, Potter County Commissioners approved a fire ban for unincorporated Pampa Fire Chief Kim

Powell says, "It's still extremely dry though we did have a little bit of moisture. It's certainly a time for caution and we are concerned about the use of fireworks." The immediate forecast, for

doesn't hold much hope as far as rain is concerned, Sehorn said. "We may have some spotty

stuff. There is a lot of heat and humidity but there's no real triggering mechanism." Sehorn said rainfall is five

inches or more below normal with most of that resulting from little area rain in May and June when an average of 3.3 inches normally falls. This year, there was .60 inches of rain in May and so far this month just over an inch has been recorded in Pampa.

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J.E. Carlson donated the use of a crane and operator. The City of Pampa provided a

"It was a community effort," Mosely said.

Technically, the B-25 is on temporary loan from NAV ICP, of the Navy's Inventory Control Point. Effectively, Mosely said, all the museum in Pampa has to do is take care of it and provide a photo and annual inventory report.

"It's pretty simplistic compliance," Mosely said.

The B-25 being assembled here was originally used to patrol for submarines.

"The submarine patrols were flown by the Air Corps,"

He said the main part of the command unit of his World

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War II outfit, the 484th Bomb Group, was formed from the Fifth Anti-Submarine Patrol

"They flew B-24s painted like this," Porter said. "That's where this paint job comes from, from sub patrols."

Where the new plane was used, Porter said he didn't know, but planned to research "There were an awful lot of training airplanes just like this

one that were painted like that

because this is an early model," he said. The plane at Freedom USA Museum is a B-25B. The ones that flew at Pampa Army Air Field during World War II were the B-25C and B-25D

model, Porter said. The ones at the Pampa air field had a shiny aluminum finish, he said.

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ing said that several bags of clothing had been received.

Jana Gregory, executive director of the American Red Cross here, said Heidi Phelps, the local disaster chairman, has given vouchers to the Estes family for clothing and toiletries. The Red Cross also gave the family comfort kits and teddy bears for the chil-

Donations for the Estes family "of any kind" can be taken to Hobart Baptist Church, 1100 W. Crawford, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on weekdays. The children's clothing sizes are boys sizes 14 and 7, and girls sizes 8 and 5.

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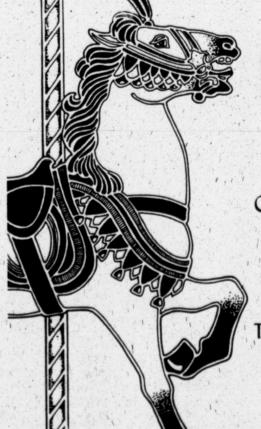
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

When pigs fly, hogs'll vote

I believe it can be argued with some success that ground water is a natural resource.

It is also a matter of public record that the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has the responsibility to watch over and conserve the natural resources of our

This group claims not to have jurisdiction to consider the effects of ground water pumping when examining, processing, and granting application permits for Confined Animal Feeding Operations.

The commission has not made public what other items they do not have the jurisdiction to consider when issuing permits. It seems they act positively on who hollers the loud-

They could be in for a name change.

How about Texas Natural Resource Commission Reacting to Political Pressure or Texas Natural Resource Commission Yielding to Public Dissent?

If the jurisdiction relative to ground water pumping is absent, why hasn't the commission taken steps to secure it, if they are truly in the business of conserving natural resources?

The politician was rubbing on a great big shoat,

all the while bragging on his bright red coat. "You're the fine product of this new farm,

the one folks said would cause all the harm."

"Get a load out of this," the porker spoke

to his old friend, a billy goat.

"This old adage might apply -

everyone knows that pigs can't fly." The politician might as well take note -

Pigs can't fly and hogs can't vote.

Bill Reeves McLean

Sell Section 53 at fair value

Much has been said and printed about donating the Section 53 property held by the Pampa EDC dissolution board to the Pampa Industrial Foundation (or Board as it sometimes referred to).

Since the PEDC is now being dissolved with an indebtedness of \$2.5 million, the Section 53 property is an asset that could be sold to help pay off the indebtedness. Therefore it is a taxpayer-owned asset.

Many people do not know that the Pampa Industrial Foundation is a group of private businessmen working for private profit. The Pampa Industrial Foundation is not a board of the City of Pampa or working for Pampa.

To donate the taxpayers' asset to a private business or to even sell it at less than market value would be unethical, if not illegal.

Donating the land to the City of Pampa would only mean extending the life of the dissolution process and the halfcent sales tax. This is not what the taxpayers voted for, nor do we want it.

However, the City has the extra \$200,000 tax money they could use to purchase the land and water rights at fair market value, thereby helping to reduce the \$2.5 million indebtedness of the PEDC. The city would not have to pass a bond issue to pay for the property. The taxpayers would be spared extra PEDC dissolution board expense, and the City would have the interest on a bond indebtedness which also is taxpayers' money.

Shirley Nicholson Pampa

City trash crew needs our help

We are your local trash haulers and we have a request. There are only four of us for all of Pampa and we need your belp. We have new trucks and we want to keep them in good shape for a long time. But when someone puts wood, metal, concrete objects or tree limbs in a dumpster, that causes problems. Those things jam our trucks. to prevent this from happening, the driver has to get those objects out of the dumpster if he sees them, and if he doesn't he has to get them out when they are jammed in the truck. All of this, of course, is done by digging through the garbage that has been put in the dumpster. And this process slows us down considerably. So to help us serve you better, please stop putting anything that is not household garbage in the dumpsters.

Ronny Stokes **Ricky Daugherty**

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Let's get back to basics July 4

Next week we will celebrate July 4th for the 226th time since the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

This year I believe the holiday takes on a different meaning for many of us, particularly the families of those who died in the terrorist attacks last September and those who have died in the war on terrorism since that time.

The men who gathered in that room in Philadelphia knew that they were putting their lives on that line that held their signatures. This was no social gathering. It was deadly serious business. Yet they believed in what they were doing so much, that they were willing to lose everything they had - even their lives -

In the New Testament there is a verse which says that those who would save their life will lose it and those who are willing to give their life will have it for-

The men who signed the Declaration had the courage to offer their lives for a greater good.

In the months that have passed since Sept. 11, I've watched with a sense of sadness as the nation has slowly reverted back to normal.

At first, we banded together in an amazing show of cohesion and strength evidenced by the members of Congress standing on the steps of that venerable building and singing "God Bless America."

Our forefathers would have been

But as the general election fever heats



up, politicians seem more concerned about tearing each other down than about the common good.

It seems like the Democrats fear that if Bush looks good, the Republicans will win a majority in November. Heavens, they can't allow that to happen.

So they're playing on the public's sense of frustration concerning this strange "war."

Why haven't we caught Osama bin Laden? Why hasn't there been a breakthrough in the anthrax investigation?

Sen. Barbara Boxer, a Democrat from California, is making the talk show circuit, I believe to push her party's agenda. She says authorities are spending too much time reorganizing themselves into an anti-terrorism bureaucracy and not enough on the bottom line - crushing al Qaida and finding out who spread the deadly anthrax germs.

"I have to say we just need a renewed effort to keep our eye on both of these things," An Associated Press story Monday quotes her as having said. "That anthrax killer is out there. We need to nab this person."

Duh... Sen. Boxer isn't wrong in what she

spouting what any of us at the coffee shop can say.

The reality is that this is an unbelievably complex matter.

I don't agree with everything the administration is doing right now, but I believe that they are trying hard to do what is best for this nation.

I don't believe for a minute that if the Democratic Party was in control at this time that they would not also be forming more bureaucracies.

As the saying goes, when in doubt, form a committee.

I have a great fear that this country will be weakened by political infighting. That becomes extremely personal when I consider the effect that would have on my son in the military.

When we celebrate July 4 this year, instead of focusing on picnics and fireworks, let's get back to the basics.

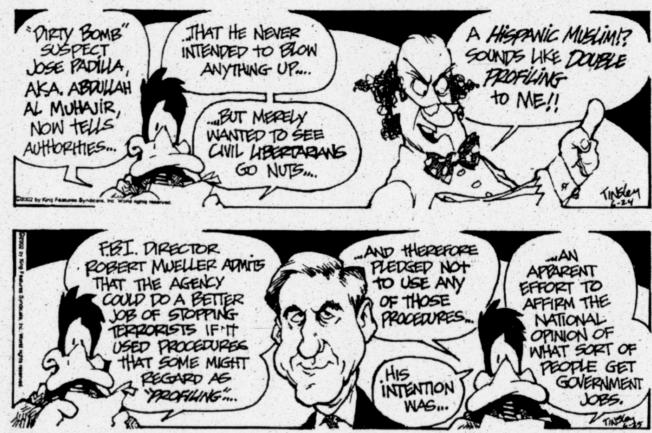
On that day, take the time to read the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. Discuss them. Think about them. Copies of these documents are available at the public library and, more than likely, on the Internet.

For those who have never read them, it could be quite enlightening to find out exactly on what principles of freedom this country is based.

For those of us who have studied them before, a refresher course couldn't hurt.

This is not the time to pull ourselves apart for political agendas. Now is the time to join together for a common pur-

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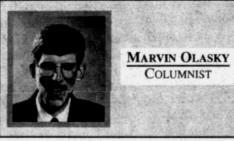
A moral basis for social security reform

SANTIAGO, Chile - On one recent morning, Jose Pinera, the world's leading Social Security reformer, wore a blue windbreaker and spoke energetically to an American visitor of growing up "one of six children, with a mother who believed in savings. She matched what we saved peso for peso, but we couldn't touch the money until we were 18. She taught punctuality, discipline, honesty, saving.

When Pinera grew up, he studied economics at Harvard and learned about the 19th century German origins of social security: "Otto von Bismarck had a big idea, that a worker with a pension depends on the state and so is a more docile worker. Bismarck invented a social security system with a moral flaw, that it destroys the link between effort and reward. It makes benefits the product of political pressure rather than what you contribute by your work."

Pinera then explained that Bismarkian social security "has made workers dependent on political demagogues, and that has spilled over into other areas besides retirement. People say, 'Offer me more, and I'll vote for you.' That corruption of both workers and politicians has fed a culture of irresponsibility."

Chile's former minister of labor and social security delivered that condemnation with prophetic intensity, but then smiled and explained how society could be saved: He held up what looks like a standard bank passbook from the precomputer age. "We call this here a Libretita, a deliverer of liberty. Our pri-



vatization of social security was for ethical as well as economic reasons. It allows people to have their own funds and not depend on the government."

Because of that reform, all working Chileans now own a piece of the country, and that has a political as well as an economic effect. "Ownership changes the way a worker sees life," Pinera said. "He is not at the mercy of a political boss or a union leader."

The Libretita has boosted Chile's economy by providing companies with new sources for capital, but Pinera with a grin emphasized the human dimensions: "My secretary will still bring me coffee she is Chilean, not American - but she has 20 years of work and she now has \$100,000 in her Libretita account. She sees herself as rich. Chilean workers often go around with their passbooks. Sometimes in the restaurants they recognize me from television, and say, 'Pinera, do you know how much I have?""

The popularity of social security reform in Chile is striking, since reform proposals in the United States have been known as the "third rail" of American politics, with candidates for office electorally electrocuted if they touch it;

George W. Bush touched it and barely survived the ire of elderly Floridians and others. But it is the privatized system that "is now the third rail of Chilean politics," Pinera insisted. "Not even the left dares to touch the Libretita.'

Could social security privatization come to the United States? Only if it is explained to the American public as a moral, as well as an economic, issue. Karl Zinsmeister, the excellent editor in chief of The American Enterprise, notes in his July-August issue that unions representing government employees invest their pension funds in stocks, but then deem that move "too risky" for the personal investment accounts - our libretitas - that could become part of Social Security.

Zinsmeister explains that the reasons unions, Al Gore and others fulminate against personal investment accounts "have nothing to do with economics. ... What really scares these people is the likelihood that mass investing will change the politics of America." That's because those who control their own investments are more likely to want limited government and an economic climate that fosters entrepreneurship and selfgovernment: "They are, in short, lousy clients for politicians seeking captives -economically dependent on the state who will habitually vote to keep the forces of big government in power.

As we celebrate Independence Day next week, we should keep in mind the Pinera way of providing not just a day of fireworks but decades of economic and moral independence. Libretita, anyone?

TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, June 25, the 176th day of 2002. There are 189 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in

On June 25, 1962, the Supreme Court ruled that the use of an unofficial, non-

denominational prayer in New York State public schools was unconstitutional. On this date:

In 1788, the state of Virginia ratified the U.S.

In 1876, Lt. Col. George A. Custer and his Seventh Cavalry were wiped out by

Sioux and Cheyenne Indians in the Battle of the Little Bighorn in Montana.

In 1942, some 1,000 British Royal Air Force bombers raided Bremen, Germany, during World War II.

In 1950, war broke out in Korea as forces from the communist North invaded the

South.

In 1951, the first commercial color telecast took place as CBS transmitted a one-hour special from New York to four other cities.

In 1967, the Beatles performed their new song, "All You Need Is Love," during a live international telecast.

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Israel, Palestine express different views of speech

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israelis and Palestinians cautiously welcomed President Bush's outline for Mideast peace, but for different reasons: Israel heard a call to change the Palestinian leadership and end terrorism while Palestinians focused on Bush's support for a Palestinian state.

It remained unclear whether Monday's speech would motivate the two sides to end their 21-month conflict and resume peace negotiations - especially since Bush offered no mechanism for preventing future Palestinian attacks and Israeli military retaliations from derailing diplomatic efforts, as they've done to date.

Palestinian officials rejected Bush's call for a new Palestinian leadership "not compromised by terror" - a reference to the scores of suicide bombings and shootings that Israel has blamed at least indirectly on Arafat, and which the United States has said Arafat should have done more to prevent.

Bush said that "reform must be more than cosmetic changes or a veiled attempt to preserve the status quo" if the Palestinians are to fulfill their aspirations for a state alongside Israel. He called on Palestinians to create an accountable. democratic government — something rarely found in the Arab Middle East.

A statement issued by Sharon's office shortly after the speech said that "when the Palestinian Authority undergoes genuine reforms and a new leadership takes its place ... it will be possible to discuss ways of moving forward by diplomatic means."

In his own statement. Arafat said the Palestinian leadership welcomes Bush's ideas as a "serious effort to push the peace process forward" and hopes "the details will be discussed during the direct and bilateral meetings with the American administration" and international mediators.

Arafat ignored the call for a leadership change, but his senior aides rejected it, noting Arafat was elected head of the Palestinian Authority in a 1996 vote. Palestinian Cabinet minister Saeb Erekat said the call was "not acceptable" and that he "was elected in free and fair elections, and this must be respected."

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres told Israel Radio that he was "not disappointed" by the speech but suggested that it had limitations.

"One speech cannot bring redemption to the world. ... There are still problems left that need to be dealt with and dealt with seriously," he said, without elaborating.

Raanan Gissin, spokesman for Sharon, noted that Bush said progress depended on an end to attacks on Israelis - something that Sharon has blamed on Arafat and many Israelis associate with the Palestinian Authority.

Afghan radio station pushes women's rights

JABAL SERAJ, Afghanistan (AP) — The signal only reaches a little way down the valley and only for four hours a day but the women at a tiny radio station in this mountain town hope to spread their message of women's rights and democracy far and wide.

Radio Voice of Peace, which broadcasts from Jabal Seraj, a northern town watered by a river flowing down from the Hindu Kush mountains, is Afghanistan's only independent radio station. It's also the only station run by women, according to the staff.

"We get 25 or 30 letters a day from women, men, children. They are happy to have our programs," Zakiya Zaki, the station's director said Monday.

The station started in October on the day the United States launched its bombing campaign against Afghanistan's Taliban

As northern alliance troops - based in and around Jabal Seraj - pushed the Taliban back with U.S. help, the tiny station kept its small pocket of lis-

Milwaukee to get new archbishop

VATICAN CITY (AP) -Monsignor Timothy M. Dolan, an auxiliary bishop in St. Louis who headed the American seminary in Rome, was named by the pope Tuesday to succeed retired Archbishop Rembert Weakland.

Pope John Paul II accepted Weakland's resignation May 24 — a day after he acknowledged paying a \$450,000 settlement to Paul Marcoux, a former Marquette University student who said Weakland sexually assaulted him in 1979. Weakland was the highest-ranking American cleric to acknowledge settling a sexual assault allegation against him.

Dolan will succeed Weakland in Milwaukee.

teners informed on news from morning and two in the afterthe battle.

With the Taliban toppled, Voice of Peace broadcasts programs on children, women, religion and news - mixed with popular Afghan, Iranian and Pakistani music.

The goal is to promote stability and to tell women they must take part in rebuilding the war-torn country, Zaki said.

Four female and two male announcers broadcast four hours a day -- two hours in the

noon. The FM signal only reaches a radius of about nine miles. Many of the 16-member staff - including engineers and administrators - work without

"We're hoping to expand our signal. We're asking for help to expand out audience," said Ibrahim Kawish, an engineer. A French organization, Droit de Parole (Right to Speech) helped the station with equipment and funds, but that assistance has run out.

The U.S. military is looking to bring some help and an American team has provided it with music to play — as well as U.S.-written scripts promoting the new Afghan government and other messages.

"We want to help these people because they're promoting a message we believe in," said Bob, a captain in the team who allowed only his first name to be used. He said they are seeking military approval to give the station a new antenna to increase its range.

Iran pummeled by fresh earthquake

ABEGARM, Iran (AP) - A moderate earthquake and several powerful aftershocks jolted remote regions of northwestern Iran early Tuesday, days after a magnitude-6 temblor flattened villages and killed 245 people.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency said a magnitude-4 earthquake hit at two minutes past midnight Tuesday. It said there were no new reports of deaths or injuries. Residents reported at least three aftershocks.

In Abegarm, a town of several thousand people about 125 miles from the Iranian capital of Tehran, residents were terrified by Tuesday's earthquake. Undamaged by Saturday's quake, Abegarm is surrounded by poor, remote villages where houses built of brick and mud were flattened, burying victims.

State-run TV put the death toll from Saturday's quake at was 245. The quake struck at about 7:30 a.m. in the provinces of Gilan, Kurdestan, Qazvin, Zanjan and Hamedan. State radio estimated 4,300 injuries, based on reports from rescue teams. Thousands more are home-

In towns and villages in and around Qazvin, the province hardest hit Saturday, terrified residents slept outside, fearing their homes would

"No one wants to take a chance," said Haji Ebrahim Nazari.

In Changooreh, about 150 miles west of Tehran, about 140 people were killed and only two of the village's 100 houses remained intact. The village was virtually deserted Tuesday, as electricians sent by the government tried to restore power.

Energy Ministry officials said electricity, out since Saturday in most quake ravaged places, had been restored to all areas.

In nearby Abdareh, rescue efforts ended Monday, with the last of about 20 bodies retrieved from the debris. About 40 homes were demolished and the village mosque was toppled. Survivors sought shelter in tents. Griefstricken residents, many covered in dust, huddled together in Abdareh's hilltop cemetery on Tuesday, wailing for loved ones.

Iranian President Mohammad Khatami was expected to visit the region Tuesday.

Major earthquakes are not uncommon as Iran lies on a major seismic line. Moderate tremors are reported in parts of the country almost daily.

Since 1990, more than 41,000 people have been killed in three major quakes. In the Qazvin area, a 1963 quake killed 12,225 people.

UN: Radioactive materials not under enough security

(AP) bomb" are available around the world, and more than 100 countries may have inadequate programs to prevent or even detect thefts, a U.N. agency said Tuesday.

Governments, including the United States, must take urgent steps to raise security to prevent theft and to recover supplies that are missing, the International Atomic Energy Agency said.

"What is needed is cradle-tograve control of powerful radioactive sources to protect them against terrorism or theft," said Mohamed ElBaradei, the head of the IAEA.

Since the Sept. 11 terror attacks, the organization has stepped up efforts to prevent terrorists from obtaining weaponsgrade nuclear materials or radioactive sources for a "dirty bomb."

Fears of radiological terrorism grew when an alleged plot to detonate such a weapon in Washington, D.C., failed with the May 8 arrest of Jose Padilla, . described by U.S. officials as a protege of Abu Zubaydah, a senior leader in the al-Qaida terror orga-

Priority must be given to help Radioactive materials that a terror- states create and strengthen nationist would need to build a "dirty al regulatory infrastructures to ensure that radioactive sources are properly registered and secured, the IAEA said.

> The IAEA did not list the more than 100 countries that may have inadequate security programs. But it did identify one widely known problem area — former Soviet states that have become a traffickers' marketplace for radioactive materials.

The U.N. agency said "uncontrolled radioactive sources are a widespread phenomenon" in states, such as Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan.

Even the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has reported that American companies have lost track of radioactive materials within the country since 1996, much of which was never recovered, the IAEA said.

A European Union study estimated that every year up to 70 sources are lost from regulatory control in the EU, and that a recent European Commission report estimated that 30,000 unused sources held in storage in the EU are at risk of being lost from regulatory control, the IAEA said.

International AIDS study reveals lack of fear, recklessness

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - The first major study of the AIDS epidemic in developing countries found very high awareness of the disease, but few people who believe they are at risk of catching the HIV

The study of 24 countries

in Africa, seven in Asia and eight in Latin America and the Caribbean found that even in places where there is a high prevalence of HIV, the virus which causes AIDS, most people feel the risk of contracting AIDS is low.

"We need to inform people compiled the study.

about the risks — that their risks are not insignificant and in addition there have to be clear messages on what can be done and where to go," said Joseph Chamie, director of the U.N. Population Division, which

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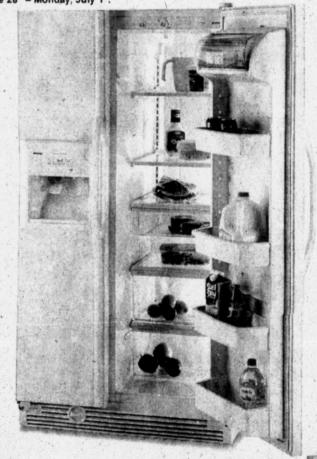






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Minority hiring sets media execs at loggerheads

WASHINGTON (AP) -Broadcasting and cable TV executives agreed that their industry needs to hire more minority and female employees, but differed on just how to go about it.

Charles Warfield Jr., president of the second largest black-owned radio company in the country, told a hearing the of Federal Communications Commission that he favors reinstating FCC equal-

opportunity hiring rules.

"When a young minority person considering whether to pursue radio or some other career looks at the top of our profession, he doesn't see a lot of people who look like him or her, except at minority-owned stations," said Warfield, president of ICBC Broadcast Holdings Inc.

Having federal rules on the books would "go a long way toward reassuring our young people that the broadcasting industry offers them real opportunity," he said.

But Ann Arnold, executive director of the Texas Association of Broadcasters, said there can be opportunities for minorities without the need for the FCC "to take a heavy-handed role and attempt to dictate specific requirements for how radio and television stations seek employees."

Arnold maintained that before the FCC's previous rules were struck down by a federal appeals court as unconstitutional, these regulations buried broadcasters in paperwork and made them reluctant to complain about the rules for "fear they would be branded racist."

In December, the FCC proposed a new set of regulations that would require media companies to make information about job opportunities widely available. Companies could publicize openings by sending job

WT Cheer Clinic



Pampa High School cheerleaders recently participated in a one-day clinic at West Texas A&M University in Canyon in preparation for cheerleading camp at the University of Oklahoma. Above: (front row, left-right) Teryn Stowers, Valerie Velez, Katlin Passini, Natalie McVay, and Brianna Bailey. Also attending were Andrea Lee, Krissy Holman, Amber Asher, Brittany Herriman, Anna Johnson, Anna Schafer, Alyssa Bromwell, Jaclyn Spearman, Monica Eakin, Lauren Winkleman, and Janessica Buchanan.

US-bound cargo containers to be screened in Netherlands

WASHINGTON (AP) before they leave Rotterdam's seaport, part of an effort to prevent terrorists from smuggling nuclear and other weapons into this country, the Customs Service said Tuesday.

The agreement with the Netherlands government allows port, one of the busiest in the Bonner.

Europe that customs has entered U.S. inspectors will screen into with the hope of improving U.S.-bound cargo containers cargo security at the world's seaports. That took on heightened importance after the Sept. 11 attacks in New York and Washington.

The agreement will "provide a significant measure of security for the Netherlands, the United States and the global U.S. customs inspectors to be trading system as a whole," said stationed for the first time at that
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Bonner has negotiated simi-It marks the third agreement lar deals with Canada and others. A customs official expressed optimism that deals could be announced later this week involving the seaports in Antwerp, Belgium, and Le Havre, France.

Since Sept. 11, customs has shifted its primary mission from detecting smuggled narcotics to stopping terrorists and weapons from getting into the country.

President. Bush went Monday to New York Harbor where he called attention to the need to prevent dangerous cargo from slipping through the nation's ports. He said his pro-Cabinet-level posed

Department of Homeland Security would unite several federal agencies now responsible for that.

With roughly 6 million cargo containers entering U.S. seaports each year, Bonner says it is critically important to ensure that terrorists don't use containers to smuggle themselves or their weapons into the country.

Last year, roughly 291,000 cargo containers entered the United States from Rotterdam's port, Customs said.

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Martha Stewart stock sale under scrutiny

WASHINGTON (AP) contradictory accounts of Martha Stewart's sale of ImClone stock and actions by a widening circle of her acquaintances are drawing the attention of congressional investigators.

The latest is a doctor who also sold shares of the biotech company shortly before the government announced it had rejected ImClone's approval application for the cancer drug Erbitux. Stewart, who commands a

multimedia empire and a profitable corporation, increasingly is under the glare of government scrutiny and tabloid attention. Shares of her company, Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia, plunged 21.4 percent to finish at \$12.55 Monday as questions about her ImClone stock sale continued to swirl. Omnimedia stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange, of which Stewart recently became a direc-

Shares of Stewart's company have been battered since June 6 they were trading at around \$19 then — when reports surfaced of the congressional investigation of her ImClone stock

Stewart, in her weekly appearance on CBS' "The Early Show," said Tuesday: "I think this will all be resolved in the very near future and I will be exonerated."

Chopping cabbage for a potluck salad, she declined to discuss specifics, noting, "I'm involved in an investigation that has very serious implications."

What Stewart, herself a former stock broker, and her nowsuspended Merrill Lynch broker have said about the ImClone stock sale apparently clashes with the account of the broker's

The affair has supplanted Enron Corp. and other companies as the corporate scandal du

-Former ImClone chief executive Samuel Waksal, a friend of Stewart, was arrested June 12 by FBI agents at his New York City apartment on charges of securities fraud and conspiracy. Waksal invoked the Fifth Amendment the next day at a House hearing and refused to answer lawmakers' questions.

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-On Friday, Bacanovic, the Merrill Lynch broker shared by Stewart, Waksal and Waksal's two daughters, and Bacanovic's assistant were suspended with pay by the brokerage firm for what it called "factual issues regarding a client transaction."

Investigators with the House Energy and Commerce Committee are examining whether Stewart had inside information when she sold nearly 4,000 shares of ImClone on Dec. 27, a day before the announcement that the Food and Drug Administration had decided not to consider Erbitux, an experimental drug for combating colorectal cancer.

Investigators say Stewart's telephone log shows Bacanovic called her on Dec. 27 and told her, according to her secretary's entry, that he "thinks ImClone is going to start trading downward."

Ken Johnson, a spokesman for the House panel, said the stock had been declining for several weeks. "Why did Mr. Bacanovic call her on that particular day?" he asked.

Investigators want to know whether the call occurred before or after ImClone stock hit \$60, the level at which Stewart has said she had a standing order with Bacanovic to sell her shares. Stewart also tried to reach Waksal that day.

The investigators also want to look at Bacanovic's client list to see whether others dumped ImClone stock before the FDA rejection became publicly

Bush still dominates political landscape, according to poll

WASHINGTON (AP) -Democrats say they see encouraging signs for the November congressional elections in a new poll, although President Bush still dominates the political landscape and the war on terrorism is near the top of voter concerns. The bipartisan Battleground

Poll released Tuesday suggests the president's popularity continues to soar along in the mid-70s — both his personal rating and his job approval.

GOP pollster Ed Goeas, who conducted the poll along with Democratic pollster Celinda Lake, suggests the high popularity of the president helps give Republicans a slight edge in intensity of support that could help wipe out the historic advantage of the party out of the White House usually has in midterm elections.

Democrats gained ground among men since January so they were essentially even in the congressional preference question, and they had an 8point advantage among

women - including the most competitive groups of mothers, married women and college educated women. Democrats also have found growing support among independent voters.

Two other recent polls -CNN-USA Today-Gallup and Ipsos-Reid - suggested that Democrats are faring better among women regaining an advantage Democrats need to do well in elections.

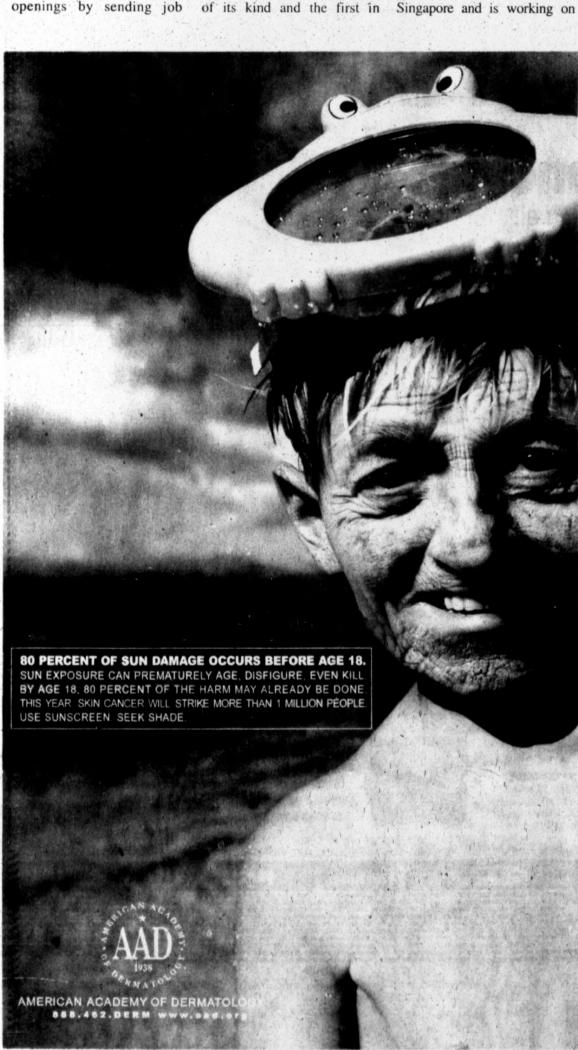
The new poll showed a congressional preference of 44 percent Democrats and 40 percent Republicans - a slight advantage for Democrats. The CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll out Monday suggested Democrats were up 48-40, largely on the strength of a 20-point lead among women.

Lake and her Democratic associates acknowledged in their analysis that the president is generally viewed as having done a good job in Afghanistan. But a majority in the poll said they feel the president is getting too involved in other countries without a clearly defined goal.

Terrorism and national defense were the top problems facing the country in the poll, along with the economy. Unemployment and jobs were tied with education for third — suggesting economic concerns and the war on terrorism are clearly the two dominant issues now.

The poll of 1,000 registered voters was taken June 9-11 and has an error margin of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The two leading concerns about the economy were rising health care costs and the public's desire for a secure retirement. These are issues Democrats are hoping to focus on as the campaign intensifies.





Mineta advocates changes to avoid shutdown of railway

the Bush administration look for money to keep Amtrak running, Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta is moving ahead on efforts to overhaul the nation's passenger rail system.

Mineta was meeting Tuesday with representatives of transportation unions to discuss the administration's Amtrak proposals. Mineta last week proposed ending federal operating subsidies, allowing competition for passenger rail, making states more responsible for paying for train service, and replacing Amtrak as owner of the Boston to Washington Northeast Corridor.

At the same time, the transportation secre-

Amtrak would not shut down for lack of operating funds.

"I am confident that we will be able to avoid a shutdown of services," Mineta said, breaking away from an emergency meeting of Amtrak's board of directors.

Amtrak President David Gunn and board Chairman John Robert Smith said Mineta's pledge would delay Wednesday's threatened shutdown, the first in the railroad's 31-year history, but would not prevent it.

"There has been no reconciliation of the simple fact that Amtrak is running out of cash and (there is) no agreement on how to provide a loan guarantee or appropriation that will

WASHINGTON (AP) - As Congress and tary expressed confidence Monday that continue train service to the end of the fiscal year," the Amtrak officials said.

The Amtrak board met for several hours, but recessed without any final decisions. Transportation Department spokesman Chet Lunner said the board would meet again later in the week.

Mineta has called for a combination of spending cuts and federal aid to close an immediate \$200 million Amtrak budget deficit. Gunn said last week he would begin shutting down the railroad without financial

Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, spoke Monday with Gunn and Mineta about an emergency funding package to keep Amtrak running. He is pushing to add \$200 million for Amtrak to the supplemental spending bill.

In addition, Amtrak is seeking a loan guarantee from the Federal Railroad Administration. The railroad is having trouble borrowing from the private sector because lenders are unsure how long it will remain in

Transportation Department Inspector General Kenneth Mead reported in January that Amtrak lost \$1.1 billion in 2001, the most in its history, and had made no progress toward meeting Congress' 1997 order to wean itself from annual government operating subsidies by this December.

Shuttle launch date postponed

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Tiny cracks were found in the propulsion systems of two space shuttles, prompting NASA to delay next month's planned flight of shuttle Columbia.

The launch was previously planned for July 19 and no new date was set. In announcing the delay Monday, NASA said it should be only a few weeks. Columbia was scheduled to carry Ilan Ramon, Israel's first astronaut, and six Americans on a 16day mission to conduct scientific

The cracks, one-10th to three-10ths of an inch long, were found inside the main propulsion system's propellant lines on space shuttles Atlantis and Discovery. Some weren't visible to the naked eye.

The lines feed liquid oxygen and liquid hydrogen to the shuttle's engines.

"These cracks may pose a safety concern and we have teams at work investigating all aspects of the situation," program manager Ron Dittemore said. "This is a very complex issue and it is early in the analysis. Right now there are more questions than answers.

The cracks were first found on Atlantis last week. A weekend check of Discovery found similar cracks. The inspection of Columbia will require its engines to be removed, said James Hartsfield, a spokesman for the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

'The analysis of this situation is really in its infancy," Hartsfield said. "There's a lot we don't know yet.'

No decision has been made yet on whether to inspect NASA's fourth shuttle, Endeavour, Hartsfield said. Bad weather in Florida forced Endeavour to land in California last Wednesday after a two-week mission to bring supplies and a new crew to the international space station.

Ramon is a payload specialist, NASA's label for a non-career astronaut. The main scientific experiment on the Columbia flight, from Israel, is to use a camera to study dust and other contaminants in Earth's atmosphere to see how they affect weather.

Still no arrests in Salt Lake kidnapping case

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Police investigating the apparent abduction of Elizabeth Smart say a convict who once worked as a handyman in the girl's home could be a potential suspect, but the case remained stalled without

Richard Albert Ricci was questioned by police the day after the 14-year-old girl's June 5 disappearance and was among those re-interviewed because he did painting and yard work at the home more than a year ago:

Ricci's initial alibi "became more suspicious" when he was questioned again, Salt Lake City Police Chief Rick Dinse said Monday. The chief wouldn't elaborate.

"At this point in time, he is not a charged suspect, but he is very interesting," Dinse said.

Ricci, who has a 29-year criminal record, has denied any involvement in the kidnapping to police, Dinse said. Authorities said he hasn't obtained an attorney yet.

Chris Thomas, who has been acting as a spokesman for the Smart family, said Ricci left the handyman job on good terms and received a 1990 Jeep Cherokee from Ed Smart as compensation for his labor.

Ricci (pronounced REES-ee) was arrested on an unrelated parole violation June 14, nine days after Elizabeth was reported taken at gunpoint from her bedroom in an affluent Salt Lake City neighborhood.

Despite having had Ricci in custody for days, police haven't been able to confirm his whereabouts on the morning of the abduction, Dinse said.

Dinse said investigators have not shown a photo of Ricci to the sole witness to the abduction — Elizabeth's 9year-old sister, Mary Katherine Smart. Considering the sister's description, police said they think the abductor is 30-40 years old, nicely dressed and soft-spoken. A jail mug shot of Ricci shows him wearing a thick mustache and

Ricci, 48, has a criminal history in Utah that began with a burglary conviction in 1973. He was convicted of attempted homicide for the 1983 shotgun wounding of a Salt Lake City police officer. He has been in and out of prison for the past three décades, and was most recently freed on parole in 2000.

Thomas said the Smart children were familiar with Ricci during his two-month employment at the house, and the family didn't know about his criminal history.

Golf course project gets loan from casino

HAMMOND, Ind. (AP) — In an effort to fund a golf course project, the city has turned to a source known for having plenty of cash: a casino.

Hammond Redevelopment Commission voted 3-2 last week to borrow nearly \$3 million from the Horseshoe Casino over the strong objection of opponents who believe the casino is gaining too much leverage over the

"It bothers me that Horseshoe is acting as a bank for the city," said Carlotta King, a member of the Hammond Redevelopment Commission.

Fellow opponent Louis Karubas, also a commissioner, said he fears the debt will give the casino enough leverage to "be the boss of the whole lakefront.'

A clause in the city's contract with Horseshoe Casino enables the commission to borrow up to \$3 million at a time for economic development projects. The city had previously borrowed \$6 million, some of it at zero interest, said commission attorney Carol Green.

Five generations ...



(Courtesy photo)

Five generations of the same family gathered recently. Above: Carrie Rose Hughes, 83, Jerry Evans, 63, Tamra Hill, 43, Shannon Burney, 25, Carrie Rose Alexandria Burney, 1 1/2.

Gas plant explosion forces evacuation in Pennsylvania

RENO, Pa. (AP) Explosions rocked a propane supply company, setting off a employees and forced about 200 people to evacuate.

More than 20 fire departments sent crews Monday to the Goss Gas facility, about 70 miles north of Pittsburgh. The

remained at the scene.

"There are two large storage tanks at the plant and any fire that severely burned three explosion could take out four blocks," said Sugar Creek police Lt. Mark Whitman.

> However, residents were were allowed to return home Tuesday morning.

The injured victims — two plant was still smoldering men and a woman, all in their Tuesday and firefighters 20s — suffered burns over 30

to 35 percent of their bodies. They were listed in critical condition Tuesday, police said.

The initial explosions on Monday were in a large corrugated metal building that contains a storage area for gas and oxygen and also company offices, Whitman said.

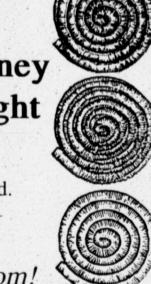
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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Victims Of Foreign Torture Build New Lives In America

DEAR ABBY: While terrorism remains on the minds of Americans in the wake of the 9-11 tragedy, millions of other people silently cope each day with another form of terror. They are survivors of torture.

More than half a million of these people live in the United States. They are individuals and families who have suffered for their belief in democracy or their membership in a particular ethnic or political group, often at the hands of dictatorial foreign governments

Their scars are both physical and mental, but with the help of 30 torture treatment centers nationwide, they are putting their pasts to rest. While Sierra Leone and Somalia seem a world away to most Americans, survivors of these war-torn countries are increasingly becoming our friends and neighbors, teachers and ticket-takers, all of whom are building new lives for themselves.

According to Amnesty International, torture is used in more than 150 countries. Individuals suffer horribly at the hands of their captors from torture designed to silence entire communities. It is used as a weapon to eliminate dissent. Its goal is to breed fear and destroy human rights, often to gain or retain political power.

Please, Abby, let your readers know that help is available for those who need it. Those willing to help end these senseless acts learn more about this frighteningly common practice and how to help stop it by visiting www.cvt.org.

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about this. It's easy for those of My thanks go to the unknown us who have lived our lives in a neighbor or passer-by who called democratic country to envision 911 and saved our lives. victims of torture as people who are in distant lands. The fact that more than half a million victims of this kind of repression are lit-

erally our neighbors may come as a surprise to many people.

Our country is truly a refuge for "huddled masses yearning to breathe free." Those who wish to add their voices in protest of man's inhumanity to man and hasten the end of this barbaric practice should visit throwing cold water on a warm the Center for Victims of Tor-memory! Embers should be disture Web site.

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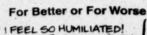
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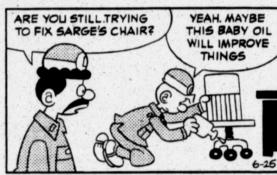
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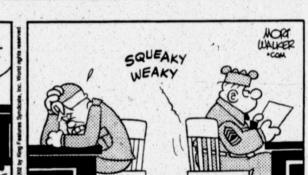
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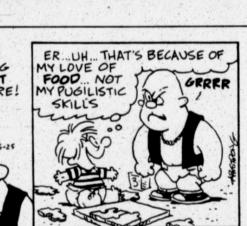




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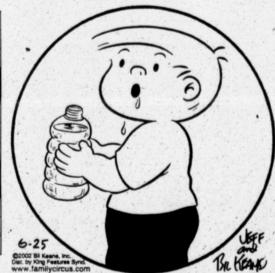


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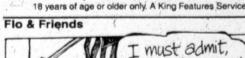
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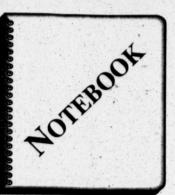












SOCCER

PAMPA— Competitive club soccer for both boys and girls is being offered in Pampa this summer.

Tryouts will be held June 25 and 27 and July 2, 9 and 11 at the middle school practice field.

Tryout times are 6:30-7:30 for U-13 to U-15; 7:35 to 8:35 to U-16 to U-

Any questions, please call John True at 669-1236.

TENNIS

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Andre Agassi, Serena Williams and Pete Sampras turned Centre Court into an American showcase as they swept to straight-set victories on the opening day of Wimbledon.

Chanda Rubin also joined the act, giving the United States a remarkable 4-0 sweep on the most famous stage in tennis.

On a day of blue, sunny skies, with a high temperature of 72 and not a rain cloud in sight, the thirdseeded Agassi - who won Wimbledon in 1992 — took 1 hour, 29 minutes to overwhelm Israel's Harel Levy.

Next up came Williams, who needed only 42 minutes to dispose of 103rdranked Evie Dominikovic of Australia.

Then Sampras, the seven-time champion who had been questionable with a rib strain, made it 3-0 by serving 27 aces and beating Britain's Martin Lee.

BASKETBALL

AMARILLO - Kids Incorporated's 2002 Challenge Streetball returns for the 11th year to Amarillo.

Tipoff for the streetball challenge is scheduled for July 13-14. Held in the downtown area for the third year in a row, the 3on-3 event will be played on the third, fourth and fifth blocks of Polk and Tyler Streets.

The tournament is open to both male and female players. Divisions begin at the 10 & Under age group, and progress through the adult Supreme Court division. Teams will be grouped into divisions with teams of similar height, age and playing ability. Last year's tournament consisted of 292 teams competing in 41 divisions.

Entry fees are set at \$92 per team with an entry deadline of July 15 at 5

Entry forms can be into Kids Incorporated, located at 27th and Osage. Each player will receive an official event t-shirt, and each team is guaranteed a minimum of three games.

For more information or to request an entry form, call Kids Inc. at 376-5936.

Flashback

1950: Pampa edged by Phillips 46-44 in high school basketball.

Dwain Reno and Jimmy Howard had 13 points apiece to lead the Harvesters in scoring. James Gallemore added 11.

G.H. Bowman for Phillips was the game's high scorer with 16 points.

Celanese captures 11-12 City Tournament title

Corporation became the new City Champions of the Pampa Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken League the old-fashioned way. They earned it.

After losing the first game of the double-elimination tournament last week, they came back through the loser's bracket to win a doubleheader Friday against Cabot Corporation and Rotary Club. On Monday, they bested Glo-Valve Service in a doubleheader by scores of 8-2 and 7-1 at Optimist Park.

Clutch pitching with players on base was the key to the Celanese wins as Glo-Valve outhit Celanese 9-5 in the first game and 4-1 in the second. However, Glo-Valve left 10 runners on base in each game.

Tanner Dyson was the winning pitcher in the first game, pitching five innings and being relieved by Colby Copeland in the sixth. He returned the favor in the second game as Copeland was the winning pitcher, pitching five innings and getting relief from Dyson in the sixth.

Dyson surrendered two runs, nine hits, walked one and struck out four in the opener. Copeland allowed no runs or hits, struck out a batter and walked one in his inning pitched in the first game.

In the second game, Copeland allowed one run, three hits and five walks while striking out 10. Dyson, pitching an inning of relief, allowed two walks and one hit, but no runs. He struck out

Lane Douglass, Aaron Carr and Heath Skinner pitched for Glo-Valve. Douglass pitched three innings in the opener, permitting two earned runs and three hits. He walked two and struck out three. In the first three innings



Josh Rios of Celanese heads for first after hitting a groundball.

of the second game, he allowed one unearned run, no hits and walked two while striking out

Carr pitched four innings in the two games. He was touched for four unearned runs on two hits in the opener. He struck out four, walked three and hit a batter. In the second game, he walked four, allowed one hit and struck out two while giving up two earned runs. Heath Skinner allowed no hits, but walked two and hit a batter in giving up three unearned runs.

Celanese scored twice in the top of the first inning of the first game. John Luke Covalt walked and Copeland singled. Covalt was forced at third by Dyson. Copeland stole third and both runners scored when the catcher's throw went into left field.

The winners struck again in the third inning. Taylor Busse walked and Covalt singled, and Busse scored on two wild pitches. A double by Dyson plated Covalt, giving Celanese a 4-0 lead.

the fifth. With one out, Hayden Skinner singled and Garrett Eggleston was safe on an error. A single by Brody Russell scored Skinner and sent Eggleston to third. Eggleston scored on a wild pitch to narrow the score to 4-2. Celanese put the game out of

Glo-Valve threatened in every

inning, but had left eight runners

stranded after four innings. They

broke into the scoring column in

reach with four unearned runs in the sixth. Josh Rios singled and took second on a throwing error. Jad McGuire walked and Jeremy Busse was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Michael Alexander hit one back to the pitcher who threw home, but the catcher dropped the ball, allowing a sliding Rios to score. Covalt brought in two more runs with a double to right field. A walk to Copeland loaded the bases again. Dyson was safe on an error to bring in Alexander and bring the final score to 8-2.

In the second game, Glo-Valve took a 1-0 lead in the first on a walk to Jacob Davis, a passed ball, a wild pitch and a single by Hayden Skinner. The lead held up until the bottom of the third. Walks to McGuire and Covalt and a throwing error put runners on second and third. Copeland hit a grounder to deep shortstop which Hayden Skinner fielded, but could only get the runner going to third after McGuire had scored to tie the game at 1-1.

Walks to Dyson, Casey Trimble and Rios, followed by Celanese's only hit of the game, an infield single by McGuire which bounded high over the shortstop's head to produce two runs in the bottom of the fourth. Rios' scored on a passed ball, making the score 4-1. Celanese went back to work in the fifth

and scored three more runs without a hit. Covalt and Dyson walked and Trimble was hit by a pitch. Covalt was trapped off third, but a throwing error permitted Covalt and Dyson to score. A wild pitch plated Trimble with the final run of the

Glo-Valve's Brody Russell was the leading hitter of the evening with three hits, a walk and one RBI to be perfect at the plate in the two games. Hayden Skinner also had three hits.

Covalt had two hits, four walks, two RBI and three runs scored in the two games to lead Celanese offensively.

Taylor Jordan made two sensational catches of fly balls in left field to hold Glo-Valve to only two runs in the fifth inning of the first game. Heath Skinner caught three fly balls while playing center field and left field to lead the Glo-Valve defense.

After the game, Rotary Club was presented with trophies for winning first place in league play. They were led by manager Rick Stone and coaches Bill Hightower and Jack Loggins. Glo-Valve received trophies for being the City Tournament runner-up. Olen Douglass and Josh Seabourn were their coaches. John W. Warner was the manager. Celanese received the City Championship trophies. Ed Copeland was the manager. Ronnie Haynes and Randy Dyson were the coaches.

The Pampa 11-12 Cal Ripken All-Stars will have Stone as the manager, Hightower and Loggins as coaches. They will begin twice a day practices today. The first all-star game will a District contest July 5 at North Randall County.

Doctors say Kile's fatal condition is common, preventable

CHICAGO (AP) — The heart condition linked to the been suspected, given his family history, doctors said Monday.

An autopsy showed the 33year-old pitcher found dead Saturday had 80 percent to 90 percent narrowing of two of three main arteries to his heart.

While such extensive blockage in someone so young is unusual, the disease process that leads to it - atherosclerosis, or hardening of the arteries - is common and can begin as early as childhood, said Dr. Robert Bonow, president of the Dallas-American Heart Association and a Northwestern University cardiologist.

Atherosclerosis contributes to nearly three-fourths of all U.S. deaths from cardiovascular disease, the nation's leading killer, according to the heart association. Atherosclerosis kills more than 15,000 Americans each year.

While most Americans who die of heart disease are 65 or older, research shows that 80 percent of heart disease deaths in younger people occur during the first attack. In 50 percent of men who die suddenly of heart disease, there were no previous

"A very substantial propordeath of St. Louis Cardinals tion of patients with heart dispitcher Darryl Kile is common ease never have a clue, and he and treatable, and should have might have been one of them," said cardiologist Dr. Eric Topol, chairman of cardiovascular medicine at the Cleveland Clinic.

> Kile's heart showed no sign of scarring or heart attacks, but it was abnormally enlarged, weighing 552 grams, while about 450 grams would be normal, said Cook County's chief medical examiner, Dr. Edmund Donoghue. He said that also can be caused by atherosclerosis.

Donoghue said the artery blockage likely triggered a fatal irregular heartbeat, but that a final finding could take 4-to-6 weeks, pending the results of toxicology tests. He said the tests are routine in such cases.

He said he would not comment on whether they were testing for steroid use and that the autopsy results were consistent with a family history of cardiovascular disease.

Kile's narrowed heart arteries, probably caused by a buildup of fatty plaque deposits, could have been symptomless or could have triggered vague signs he might have blamed on the strain of pitching, Topol said.

Kile did complain of shoulder pain and weakness the night before he died — symptoms that

could have been caused by his heart or by his sport.

cardiovascular disease in his 40s nothing abnormal. But such tests priate diagnostic work-up — and naling that the pitcher had an increased risk of the same fate, doctors said.

Cardiovascular disease that shows up at a young age is often hereditary; a gene variation is thought to have caused the heart attack that killed 28-year-old Olympic skater Sergei Grinkov in 1995.

With or without symptoms, patients with a strong family history should get rigorous routine checkups including tests such as cholesterol screenings, blood work-ups, exercise stress tests or heart imaging tests, Topol said.

Such tests probably would have detected Kile's narrowed arteries, which could have been treated with an angioplasty and stent procedure, in which a balloon-tip catheter unclogs the arteries and a tiny mesh coil in inserted to keep them propped open, Topol said.

The heart association estimates that more than a million angioplasties are done each year nationwide.

Kile also may have been a good candidate for daily aspirin and drugs called statins to keep his cholesterol down and his arteries clear, Topol said.

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"This is happening every not as visible as Mr. Kile," Topol said. "We have a lot of work to entry or foul play.

Published reports say Kile do to get the medical communistrong risk factors.

Kile was found dead in the team hotel a day before he was day, but it's just that people are scheduled to pitch. Police said there were no signs of forced

Germany defeats S. Korea to advance to World Cup final

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - Germany's cool determination overcame the will of South Korea's team and the passion of its people.

Michael Ballack scored on the rebound of his own shot in the 75th minute to give Germany a 1-0 victory Tuesday night, ending South Korea's dream of becoming the first Asian team in a World Cup final.

The three-time champions, in the final for a record seventh time and first since 1990, will play Brazil or Turkey on Sunday night in Yokohama, Japan.

"It's a great achievement. I'm happy for the team, for the entire nation," defender Christoph Metzelder said. "It

just has to sink in first."

The Germans have never trailed in the tournament. They weren't about to give up that streak against the South

Ballack's goal, his third of the tournament, stunned the cheering, chanting, singing crowd of about 65,000. The red-clad "Red Devils" fans then resumed singing for the home team, hoping they could will South Korea to yet another upset of a European

The crowd groaned when South Korea's last best chance, Park Ji-sung's shot in secondhalf injury time, went well high and wide right from the top of the penalty area.

Rangers show signs of life after twinbill sweep of Angels

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Rangers face a long, hard climb to rejoin the AL West race. But, finally, they are showing signs of life.

Dave Burba allowed one run in 6 2-3 innings and Alex Rodriguez hit his 22nd homer Monday night as Texas completed a doubleheader sweep by beating the Anaheim Angels 3-2. The Rangers won their season-high seventh straight game.

"We're playing with good energy now," Rodriguez said. "Our starting pitching is setting the tone."

In the opener, rookie Joaquin Benoit pitched five innings to lead Texas to an 8-5 win before being sent back to the minors for the third time this season.

Burba (4-4) had lost his previous four decisions and hadn't won since May 11 amid speculation he was in danger of being dropped from the rotation.

Burba gave up eight hits but didn't allow a run until Bengie Molina's RBI double in the seventh. Jay Powell came on and struck out pinch-hitter Scott Spiezio with runners on first and third to, preserve the Rangers' 3-1 lead.

"It's been a long time since I won a game," Burba said. "There's nothing in the world that can compare with winning a big league game."

Orel Hershiser, hired as the pitching coach last weekend after the firing of Oscar Acosta, made several trips to the mound during the doubleheader.

"I thought he was going to come out in pom-poms at one point," Burba said. "Orel kept encouraging me. It's great to get that positive feedback."

Garret Anderson's RBI groundout in the eighth off John Rocker pulled the Angels within 3-2, but Rocker struck out Tim Salmon with the tying run on third. Hideki Irabu got three outs for his 14th save.

Anaheim had beaten Texas in six of the first eight meetings this season. The Angels wasted a chance to gain ground on Seattle in the AL West.

"Anytime you drop a twin bill, it's a bad night," Angels manager, Mike Scioscia said. "But we'll bounce back."

Benoit kept the Rangers in the first game before he was optioned to Triple-A Oklahoma as Texas called up right-hander Aaron Myette to add bullpen

Rafael Palmeiro and Herbert Perry drove in two runs apiece in the opener and Rodriguez scored four runs.

Palmeiro had two hits and the go-ahead sacrifice fly in the fifth, and Perry went 3-for-5 as Rangers snapped Anaheim's four-game winning streak. Darin Erstad homered twice for the Angels.

Benoit (2-0), called up from the minors before the game, his second big league start before settling down. He allowed two earned runs and five hits over five innings.

Texas' bullpen allowed two runs and two hits over the final four innings. Francisco Cordero recorded the first out in the ninth on a grounder to first baseman Mike Lamb, with Cordero covering first. Cordero was lifted with a shoulder strain after throwing one pitch to the next batter.

The Rangers said Cordero, their most recent in a series of closers, is day to day.

Irabu, who got the last two outs, allowed Erstad's second homer of the game. He has six homers this season.

The Angels scored twice in the second inning of the opener when Jorge Fabregas doubled and Erstad homered.

Texas reduced the deficit to 3-2 in the second on Michael Young's two-run single, then

trailed 3-0 after two innings in made it 3-3 in the third on Palmeiro's RBI single off. Aaron Sele (6-5).

> The Rangers knocked out Sele with two runs in the fifth. Palmeiro hit a sacrifice fly and Perry's RBI single made it 5-3.

Sele allowed five runs and nine hits over 4 1-3 innings. In the second game, the Rangers got a first-inning solo homer from Rodriguez off rookie John Lackey, making his

debut. Texas made it 3-0 in the fourth on Palmeiro's RBI groundout and Bill Haselman's RBI double.

Lackey (0-1), who played one college season for nearby Texas-Arlington, allowed three runs and six hits over seven innings. Lackey had 100 friends and family in atten-

"I wasn't that nervous," he said. "I felt comfortable but they're a great hitting team. I thought I pitched well.'

Business Review

McDonald's – good eating for all ages

It's summer! The popular place for all ages to gather is McDonald's.

Whether it's small children or their grandparents, all ages are seen getting their favorite foods at the local restaurant.

McDonald's is the perfect place to begin your day. Whether it be getting breakfast in the drive-through before going to work or going in for a Happy Meal for the youngsters in the evening, McDonald's is the place to

The New Tastes Menu is of special interest to local customers. A flatbread sandwich is a special treat. It's a warm, soft season flatbread wrapped around tender grilled chicken, with creamy herb sauce, Pepperjack Cheese and vegetables. It is offered at a bargain price of \$2.99.

"Every bite is flat out delicious," says Marietta Benda, who is co-owner with her

A value meal will be offered through July at \$4.09, she said. New chocolate triple thick shakes are a popular item as well as the tasty chocolate banana shakes. The tasty shakes are so thick they are served with a spoon and a straw. Additional flavors are chocolate, vanilla and strawberry.

"We always have new flavors coming out,"

The New Tastes Menu will be coming out in the fall. "It is back by popular demand," she said. "The McRibb Sandwich will be coming back."

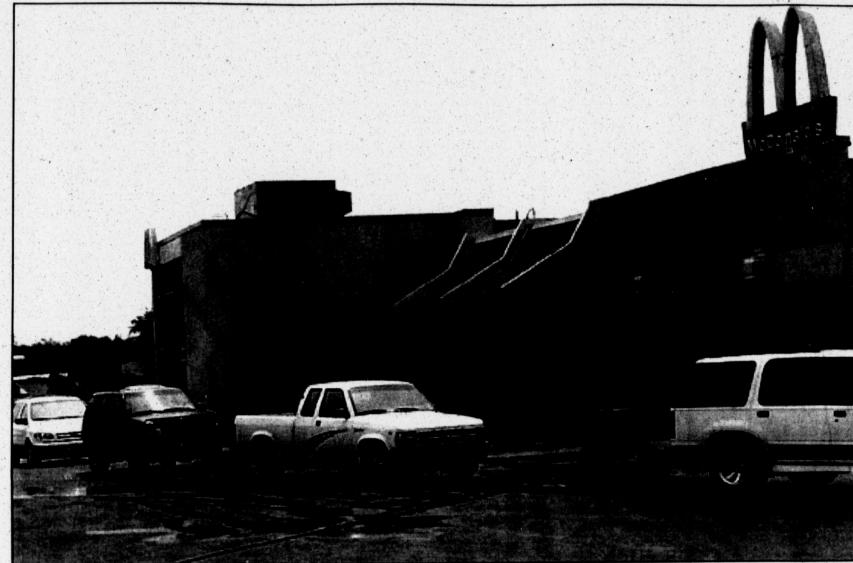
The local McDonald's is now featuring bigger and better Happy Meal toys for the children to enjoy. The current featured Happy Meal is Disney's Lilo and Stitch. The Disney movie has recently been released to area movie theaters and is a popular fare with both the younger and older set. Their Happy Meal will run through July 11.

McDonald's will begin featuring the Country Bear Happy Meal July 12, and it will end Aug. 1.

Customers who get through food through the drive through are treated to fast and friendly service. As long lines of cars line up to place an order, the service time from first ordering to receiving food at the Pampa McDonald's is the shortest time frame of all the five McDonald's owned by the Benda's. During May the local crew was named tops over the other restaurants.

"We strive to do our best for our customers and meet their needs," said Benda. "We have a friendly crew." She said 65 percent of their traffic goes through the drive through at the local business.

One of the most popular items on the menu at McDonald's continues to be a 42 ounce soft drink for .42 cents, said Benda. "This item is featured every day for our customers," she said. "Two additional popular items are the .99 cent double cheeseburger as well as



Approximately 65 percent of McDonald's business travels through the fast and efficient drive through. Customers may place their order and drive to the pickup window in only a matter minutes to obtain their order. Pampa's McDonald's staff was recently named as providing the fastest service of any of the five stores owned by Bill and Marietta Benda. The Benda's credit their dedicated staff for the customer satisfaction at the local business.

the .99 cent Hot'n Spicy McChicken."

A cheeseburger and small fries are available at the local restaurant for only \$1 while a double cheeseburger and large fry is \$2. For \$3, customers will receive a triple cheeseburger and Super Size Fry.

McDonald's employees are your neighbors and friends, added Marietta. "They are Pampa people," she said.

One of the most popular features at the restaurant is Family Night on Tuesday nights.

From 6 p.m.-10 p.m., Happy Meals are featured for \$1.69. She said the meal can be the customer's choice of hamburger, cheeseburger or Chicken McNugget.

Birthday parties at McDonald's are popular with parents and children alike, she said. "The children's mess along with the noise is confined to McDonald's," she said. "We are happy to help the parents by providing a fun and entertaining location for the parties."

McDonald's offers three choices of parties.

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An Ice Cream Sundae Party includes an ice cream sundae along with one-quarter sheet cake (choice of chocolate or yellow), soft drinks, party up to 10 children, which includes the birthday child, for \$25.

A Hamburger Party will include ten children, including the birthday child. Served will be hamburgers, fries, a drink, a cake, party favors and balloons, all for \$30.

The Cheeseburger/Chicken McNugget Party will feature either cheeseburgers or nuggets. Also included are fries, drink, cake, party favors and balloons. It will serve ten children, including the birthday child.

McDonald's welcomes anyone interested in having a birthday party at the local restau rant to contact them at 665-5891.

The quality of food, fast and quality service and cleanliness are always found at the local restaurant.

A friendly staff at the local McDonald's welcomes all children and the young-at-heart to visit them for any one of their three daily meals, or even for all three meals.



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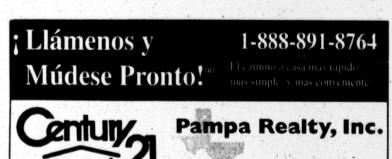
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Death penalty ruling takes states by storm

By RON WORD ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) - A Supreme Court decision that juries, rather than judges, must decide whether defendants should be sentenced to death has officials in nine states scrambling to determine the future of their sentencing laws — and of their death row inmates.

The 7-2 ruling Monday overturns death penalty laws in five states, calling into question whether 168 death row inmates in those states will be put to death. The ruling could also affect some or all death sentences in four other states, including Florida, where 370 inmates await execution.

"These cases have 20 years of appeals, and all of a sudden, after this practice has been in place for years, they decide the world is different," Nebraska Gov. Mike Johans said. Nebraska had its death penalty law thrown out, and its lawyers were trying to determine the consequences for its seven condemned inmates.

The high court's decision applies in Arizona, Idaho and Montana, where a judge decides the sentence, and in Colorado and Nebraska, where a panel of judges makes the

It was not immediately clear what will happen to the death row inmates in those states.

Some lawyers said the inmates' sentences could be commuted to life in prison, as was done when the Supreme Court put a temporary halt to the death penalty in the 1970s. Or they predicted the inmates could be resentenced by juries, with some possibly being condemned to death again. Some officials, however, argued that the ruling is not retroactive and does not automatically apply to all death row inmates in their

The reaction to the case among prosecutors and defense attorneys in Idaho offers some sign of how the ruling may be up for interpretation.

The state Attorney General's Office says only six of the 22 people on death row come close to qualifying for the ruling. And Deputy Attorney General Michael Henderson said many of the six won't win appeals based on the Supreme Court decision because they were found guilty of aggravating factors when convicted.

Public defenders say the ruling may lead all the death sentences in the state to be over-

In Colorado, where death sentences are imposed by threejudge panels, officials were reviewing the cases of three death row inmates. Peter Weir, executive director of the Colorado District Attorney's Council, said it may take weeks to sort out the impact of the rul-

The three men sentenced to death could end up with life sentences, he said.

"We're not conceding that at this point. These three involved very heinous crimes," Weir said.

In Montana, Attorney General Mike McGrath said the decision won't apply to the six inmates on death row in his state because they have exhausted all their appeals.

. "As I read this opinion, it applies only to cases pending now," he said. "The court did not make this ruling retroactive and, therefore, it applies to only pending or future cases.'

Michael Donahoe and Ed Sheehy, two Montana defense attorneys experienced in handling death penalty cases, said some of the six may be able to convince judges that the decision should be applied to their

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The Jordan/Baten Units June 2002 Employee of the Month is Glen Stouder, Investigator II of Offender Grievances. Pictured with Stouder is Senior Warden Chris Bell. Stouder has been with Texas Department of Justice for 20 years and has worked at the Jordan Unit for seven years. His primary responsibility consists of ensuring that the unit policies and procedures are met. Stouder's hobbies include golfing, fishing, remodeling houses, and travel. He also manages Domino's Pizza.

American to switch to electronic ticketing

FORT WORTH (AP) — American Airlines says it is getting rid of paper tickets over the next 18 months to cut costs and reduce airport

The world's biggest airline will push customers to switch to electronic tickets even sooner — Monday, it started charging \$20 for a paper ticket to customers who qualify for an e-ticket.

The fee applies only to customers who buy their tickets directly from American Airlines, said company spokesman John Hotard.

The airline said it would stop issuing paper tickets for domestic flights by March and get

rid of them on other flights by December 2003. Mike Gunn, American's executive vice president for marketing and planning, said the airline would also improve self-service ticketing devices in airports and install more of

them. American said it would link electronic-ticketing systems with other carriers that meet technical standards and eliminate so-called interline agreements with laggard carriers. Interline agreements allow passengers and their baggage to move more easily from one carrier to another, such as in the case of canceled flights on one airline.

Enron workers to receive more severance pay

NEW YORK (AP) Workers laid off by Enron Corp. will get additional severance money after a bankruptcy judge ruled they were eligible for more

The 4,200 workers stand gain an additional \$29 million because of the ruling.

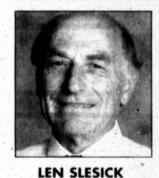
The former employees are eligible to receive even more, according to the terms of the ruling made Monday by Judge Arthur J. Gonzalez. Lawyers for the laid-off workers hope to recover tens of millions of dollars in bonuses that Enron paid to top employees to prevent them from leaving the crumbling energy company in the 90 days preceding its Chapter 11 bankruptcy fil-

The ruling comes after several months of negotiations between Houston-based Enron's lawyers and those representing the laid-off workers. The former employees originally had been seeking an additional \$68 million, or a maximum of \$30,000 per employee, while lawyers for Enron claimed the company's severance policy legally terminated on the day it filed for bankruptcy. Had the severance policy been paid in full to the 4,200 workers, lawyers estimate it would have amounted to nearly \$150 million. The final hearing is scheduled for Aug. 12.

The severance agreement is voluntary and give former employees the option of opting out and suing the company on their own.

A lawyer for the former employees discouraged them from opting out. "There's a substantial amount of money here," said Lowell Peterson, who was involved in the negotiations.

The former workers have already received severance payments totaling \$29 million, or \$5,678 each. Under the terms of Monday's agreement, they will be paid up to \$13,500 each, depending on their salary, years of employment and other factors.



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