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Mystery solved

Thanks to everyone who responded to our request to identify an old photograph of a groundbreaking found here the paper. The photo, printed on Page 2 Thursday, was taken at the groundbreaking of the Coronado Inn in April 1959. To learn more about this and other important historical events, watch for the newspaper's Centennial edition to be published Sept. 30.

Deaths probed

Preliminary autopsy results could be released this afternoon in the Thursday death of John William Lilly 56, 1918 N. Sumner, found dead in bed, said Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman. In another death, that of Barbara Ann Wildcat, 30, of Tulsa, the cause and manner of death is pending, said a spokesman for the Oklahoma Medical Examiner. Wildcat, daughter of Pampa resident, died Aug. 16. Blood test results could take six weeks to get back, officials said.

DEATHS

Carl Moore, 75, retired from Kerr-McGee.

Barbara Ann Wildcat, 30, homemaker.

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T. Boone Pickens of Mesa Water Inc., and C.E. Williams of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District talk during a break at Texas Water Advisory Council in Austin Thursday.

By DAVID BOWSER

STALL WRITER

AUSTIN - I. Boone Pickens told the Texas Water Advisory Council this week in Austin that he plans to form a water district that would have the ability to issue tax. J.P. Morgan, said he expected free bonds in order to finance a pipeline to ship water from Roberts County to thirsty cities down state. A fresh water supply district would also have the power of eminent domain, he acknowl-

Flanked by an engineer, hydrologist and lawyers. Pickens told the council Thursday that he has everything he needs, except a buyer, to pump and sell water deliver the water at costs from beneath his ranch and the ranches of his neighbors in Roberts County, operating as Mesa Water Inc., to Dallas-Fort Worth, San Antonio or El-Paso-Juarez. He said he could provide 150,000 acre-feet of water to any one of such-destinations within five to seven

A fresh water supply dis-

trict could be formed, Pickens said, allowing tax-exempt financing for the venture and providing the power of eminent domain, the ability to condemn property for a pipeline right of way.

Richard Torkelson, with the right of way to be gained through negotiations but said that even if eminent domain was used, landowners would be compensated.

Monty Humble, an attorney with the Vinson and Elkins law firm, said a county commission could form a tresh water supply district under legislation passed some 70 or 80 years ago

Pickens said he could competitive with their own water plans and allow the buyer to exercise control over the production and delivery

He assured the council that he could complete the project and still have 50 percent of aquiter's water beneath the Mesa lands at the end of 50 (See WATER, Page 3)

Trucker gets 99 years for murder

Marvin Baumeister confesses

CANADIAN — A truck driver, whose fingerprint was found on a convenience store open/close sign, was sentenced to 99 years in prison after pleading guilty Thursday to the brutal daying of a 77-year-old woman who worked at the store here.

Marvin Baumeister, 43, apologized in court to the family of victim Imogene French and his negotiated plea, said 31st District Attorney David Holmes, was made in exchange for the state not seeking the death penalty. Baumeister was represented by Pampa

to killing Canadian store clerk attorney Harold Comer.

Originally Baumeister was charged with capital murder, a charge that was later dropped to murder, the assistant

Baumeister will be eligible for parole in 30 years. Holmes said.

"But the reality of it is that he has

serious health problems and the reality of it is that he'll end up dying in prison," Holmes said.

The decision to enter into the 99 year-sentence, as opposed to seeking the death penalty, was made in agreement with French's family, he said.

Baumeister was caught in Michigan

after an arrest on a minor crime when one of his inverprints came back as matching the suspect's fingerprint taken off a sign at the Oasis Truck Stop, Holmes said.

This morning, Baumeister remained in the Hemphill County Jail where he is awaiting transfer to the Texas Department of Corrections, a spokesman at the jail said.

French was found dead shortly before noon on June 6, 1999, at the truck stop on the north end of the town (See MURDER, Page 3)

Watch out!

Horse owners warned West Nile symptoms come on quickly

> By KATE B. DICKSON ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

Horse owners should keep a watchful eye on their animals because they can become very ill from West Nile Virus in hours from the time the first, even mild, symptoms are detected.

So said Dr. James Alexander of the Canyon office of the Texas Department of Health, Zoonosis Control.

"If you have a horse, especially if it has not been vaccinated, check on it frequently," he said today. "There are reports that some go from barely showing symptoms to severe symptoms in 12 hours.

One rancher said he'd seen his mare on Wednesday then found her on Thursday lying down and "pawing up the ground," the veterinarian said. "He said he could tell she'd been there a good while.'

In another instance, a horse owner said he could tell his animal wasn't feeling good and in 12 hours "it was dragging a back leg," he said.

This morning, Dr. Alexander reported more confirmed cases of the mosquito-borne disease in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains region bringing the total to 35. Seven animals have died or been euthanized with the (See VIRUS, Page 3)

Deep in thought



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Pampa High School Harvester band member Jorden Douglas studies the diagrams of band formations this morning in practice. Harvester band will be executing their performances during the halftime at PHS footbal games this fall. Harvesters open their season against the Perryton Rangers at Perryton on Aug. 30.

Subsidy meeting scrubbed

By NANCY YOUNG

MANAGING EDITOR

Officials from Gray County and City of Pampa won't be meeting with Hutchinson County officials as previously planned on Rural Metro Ambulance Service's request, for a subsidy increase.

County Judge Richard Peet told the county commission at the Aug. 15 meeting that he and Pampa's Interim City Manager John Hatchel would be meeting with representatives of the Hutchinson County Hospital District along with the City of Borger and Hutchinson County Commission to discuss the proposed subsidy increase.

Peet said Wednesday afternoon that the meeting will not take place. Hatchel said Monday he contacted the Borger and Hutchinson County offierals concerning a joint meeting, but those two entitles do not contribute to the subsidy paid to the ambulance ser-

Area Manager Carla Adams of Rural Metro recently presented a request to the City of Pampa and Gray County asking that the ambulance subsidy be increased to \$90,000

(See SUBSIDY, Page 3)

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FIRE

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

Thursday, Aug. 22

11:49 a.m. - Two units and six firefighters responded to a medical assist the 1300 block of Mary

12:15 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Randy Matson and Williston.

4:35 p.m.—One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1900 block of North Sumner.

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POLICE The Pampa Police Department reported

the following arrest and incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Monday, August 19

E-Z Pawn, 613 N. Hobart, reported the

theft of a watch valued at \$134. Possession of drug paraphernalia was reported at Warren and Foster.

Wednesday, August 21 A \$35 trash can was stolen from Dr. V.E.

Von Brunow Park downtown. Street signs, from 23rd Street to Christine, were stolen. The city's loss is valued at \$800.

Thursday, August 22

Public lewdness was reported in the 1200 block of North Charles.

An assault was reported in the 1200 block of East Francis. Unknown injuries.

A wallet containing \$500 in cash was found in the Hughes Building.

An unattended death was reported in the 1900 block of Sumner where a 56-year-old man died. Police said an autopsy was ordered.

Unlawful use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1600 block of North Sumner.

Lawrence Walter Johnson, Jr., 30, Fayetteville, N.C., arrested on a public intoxication warrant.

John Hardy King, 51, 411 Texas, charged with assault causing bodily injury.

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SHERIFF

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

Thursday, August 22

Jeanne Lynn White, 27, 1300 S. Hobart, arrested on warrants for two counts of theft by check.

Trevor Len Slater, 21, 318 Sunset, arrested on warrants for issuance of a bad check, assault, two counts failure to appear, no insurance and displaying expired registra-

Shane O. Hill, 34, Lockhart, Texas, arrested on a warrant for theft by check.

AMBULANCE

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

Thursday, August 22

10:09 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of South Banks and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center

11:41 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Mary Ellen and transported one to PRMC.

4:30 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of North Sumner and transported

5:10 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Doucette on lifting assistance.

9:49 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of Denver and transported one to

Friday, August 23

2:17 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Garland and transported one to PRMC.

4:30 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to Northwest Texas Hospital.

OBITUARIES

BARBARA ANN WILDCAT

1972-2002

TULSA, Okla. — Barbara Ann Wildcat, 30, of Tulsa, died Friday, Aug. 16, 2002, at Tulsa. Reynolds Funeral Service of Tulsa.

Mrs. Wildcat was born Jan. 17, 1972, at a brother, David Davis.

Claremore, Okla. She was a homemaker. Survivors include her mother, Judy Ponce

Arrangements were under the direction of of Pampa; three children, Geneva Wildcat, Kevin Kirkham, and Kay Lynn Kirkham; and

CARL MOORE

1927-2002

Carl Moore, 75, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2002, at Fort Worth. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m., Saturday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Doug Yates, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Moore, a longtime Pampa and Miami resident, was born July 19, 1927, at Beggs, Okla. He worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 10 years and retired from Kerr-McGee Oil

Corporation after 30 years of service.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He was preceded in death by his wife, Kay, in 1998; and by his mother, Hadda, in February of this year.

Survivors include two daughters, Carletta "Gidget" Frazier of Justin and Gena Simpson of Las Vegas, Nev.; a stepson, Roy Hoskinson of Pampa; two brothers, Gilbert Moore and Willard Moore, both of Pampa; 12 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

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SERVICES TOMORROW

MOORE, Carl — Memorial services, 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast calls for mostly sunny, Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Sunday slight chance of thunderstorms, highs in the upper 90s, north winds 5 to 15 mph shifting to the south, and a 20 percent chance of precipitation. Tonight should be partly cloudy. chance of thunderstorms, lows in the upper 60s, south winds 5 to 10 mph, and a 30 percent chance of precipitation. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the middle 60s. Northwest winds 5 to 15 mph shifting to the northeast. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Sunday, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs around 90. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

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STATEWIDE

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Early-morning temperatures hovered mostly in the mid- to upper 70s. Extremes ranged from 63 degrees at Marfa to 84 at Galveston. Other readings included 81 degrees at

Sweetwater.

Winds were southerly at 5 to 15 mph. Skies were mostly clear across most of North Texas, except for partly cloudy conditions over western sections. Some patchy low clouds developed over the Hill Country with

high clouds over the west. Scattered high clouds moved east across

the southern half of West Texas. Skies were mostly clear across the South Plains.

The National Weather Service forecast called for isolated showers and thunderstorms in the panhandle and far West Texas mountains through Sunday.

Daytime highs should remain in the 90s, except for the 70s in the Guadalupe mountains, 100 to 104 Trans Pecos and near 107 along the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.

Lows overnight were expected to reach the 80s across the panhandle, with mid-60s to mid 70s elsewhere except for mid-50s in the Guadalupe mountains to upper 70s along the Rio Grande.

Charities consider fate of suspect funds

HOUSTON (AP) — Some Houston charities are in a sticky situation over \$63,000 donated to them from a former Enron Corp. executive's family charitable foundation.

The federal government contends that the money from Andrew Fastow's nonprofit foundation was obtained illegally through partnership schemes that he designed. The former chief financial

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officer has not been charged Andrew Fastow as president with a crime and has denied wrongdoing at Enron, the giant Houston-based energy company that went bankrupt last December.

While the government has not asked the charities to return the donations, the organizations face an ethical dilemma of what to do with cash donations considered tainted. Choices include disregard-

ing the problem, awaiting a court order, or refunding a matching amount to defraud-Enron stockholders, employees or the government.

"We have never been in this situation before, and it is something our board will have to look at," John Havard, president of the Boys -& Girls Clubs of Greater Houston, told the Houston Chronicle in Friday's edition.

The Fastow Family Foundation gave \$5,000 to the local Boys & Girls Club in 2000, according to state records. The money helped build three new club buildings across the city.

The foundation, which lists Thursday, officials said.

and treasurer, gave at least \$58,000 more in the same year, including \$25,000 to the Menil Collection of art, \$10,000 to the United Way and \$9,600 to Congregation Brith Shalom, one of two Houston synagogues with which Fastow has affiliated.

The foundation earned \$4.5 million in the same year on a \$25,000 investment in an Enron-related partnership that Fastow designed.

The federal government plans to seize that money. along with millions more in other accounts.

On Wednesday, former Fastow aide Michael Kopper pleaded guilty to defrauding Enron and its shareholders by scheming with Fastow through a series of complex partnerships - including the one that provided almost all of the capital for Fastow's foundation.

Tax returns on the foundation's transactions in 2001 were due to the Internal Revenue Service this month but were not available

Report: Files show Perry got S&L funds

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — As Gov. Rick Perry attacks Democratic rival Tony Sanchez's management of his savings and loan in the 1980s, the Republican has accepted more than \$1.6 million from business leaders with close ties to other troubled thrifts during that period, campaign finance reports show. The Sanchez camp has complained

that Perry is falsely portraying Sanchez as an unscrupulous businessman while ignoring the fact that many other financial institutions went bust 15 years ago, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Thursday. The report said a number of Perry's

contributors have ties to troubled banks and thrifts.

On Wednesday, Perry unveiled a new TV spot slamming Sanchez over the 1988 collapse of his Tesoro Savings and Loan. The ad said Tesoro's failure was caused by poor management and required a \$161 nillion bailout by the taxpayers.

The spot repeats the assertion from

previous ads that drug dealers used Tesoro to launder \$25 million from Mexico while Sanchez served as its board chairman.

Ray Sullivan, Perry's spokesman, maintained there is no contradiction between attacking Sanchez over Tesoro and accepting contributions from dozens of contributors who found themselves in situations similar to Sanchez's thrift.

Many of the directors and managers of those institutions retain their standing as respected Texas business leaders. Many have been among the most generous donors to Perry over the past five years, Sanchez aides say.

"I am not going to cast any aspersions or say anything negative about any of these contributors," said Glenn Smith, campaign manager for Sanchez. "Many of these people are among the top leaders in Texas business. I'm sure that they had no idea that their banks were being used by some unsavory depositors, just as Tony had no way of knowing."

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Ratliff: Special legislative session may be necessary

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Acting Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff has advised legislative colleagues hot to make any vacation plans for next sum-

Budget problems are looming that could result in the first special session of the Texas Legislature in a dozen years.

The last time legislators were called into special session to write the budget was 1991, when members overcame a \$4.6 billion shortfall with accounting changes, agency consolidations and tax increases, fee boosts and authorization of the Texas Lottery.

Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, said Thursday that the 78th Legislature that convenes in January might not have enough-time in the 140-day regular session to resolve the budget

"I've been telling members of the Senate, 'Don't make any vacation plans for a few months after the session is over" in order to leave time for the governor to call a 30-day special session, Ratliff said in a story in Priday's editions of the San Antonio Express-

Ratliff said he's troubled by monthly state sales tax revenues, which have been close to

"If the conditions don't improve, this will be most difficult budget session in maybe 50 years," Ratliff said.

The actual shortfall confronting the 2003 Legislature will not be certain until January when Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander projects how much revenue the state will have during the 2004-05 budget period, through August 2005.

"It's certainly wise caution to not make any summer plans," Rylander said. "I tell you what I plan to be hunkering in from the day that session starts until we complete" the budget.

House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, said lawmakers should not need a special session to finish the budget.

"The system was created to get our work done in 140 days, and the membership should be able to do that," Laney said. "There's no reason why the Legislature can't buckle down, get to work and solve the problems.

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years, a stated goal of the Panhandle Regional Water Plan and a requirement of the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District, which issued the permits to pump the water.

"We are prepared to see that the buyer is completely protected by having both an assured supply and a fixed price for water throughout the term of the contract," Pickens told the council.

Pickens said he has more than a 100-year supply of water, a permit to pump it and a plan to deliver it. He said all he needed now was a buyer.

He told the council that the Mesa group of landowners had approached the City of Amarillo and the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, the two major water buyers in the Texas Panhandle, but neither had been interested in buying Mesa water. Nor had there been much interest, he said,

from the City of Lubbock or the Colorado Municipal Water District.

CRMWA, which supplies water to 11 municipalities in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains, including Pampa, has a 43,000-acre well field in Roberts County from which they began pumping in December.

The City of Amarillo has 72,000 acres of water rights in Roberts County.

Pickens said that CRMWA operates 323 miles of pipeline stretching as far south as

"If we were to sell our water to the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex," Pickens said, "the pipeline we envision would be years. only five miles longer."

mistic about being able to find a buyer for his water, saying that when that happens he the four-county area and Hemphill - rise because bors," Pickens said. of the value of the water

beneath the property.

Because only about four percent of the 2.3 million in the four-county region is irrigated, Pickens said, the landowners are not realizing any value for the water stored beneath their properties in the Ogallala Aquifer, the largest aquifer in the nation.

In comparison, Pickens said, water in irrigated areas of the Texas Panhandle adds several hundred dollars to an acre of land.

Pickens told the council that one of his neighbors told him that after selling their water rights to Amarillo two years ago, her family was out of debt for the first time in 35

As to critics of his plan, Pickens appeared opti- Pickens said he has been a landowner in Roberts County since 1971.

"I intend to ensure that the expects to see land prices in Mesa Water project will not be detrimental to my property Roberts, Ochiltree, Lipscomb or that of any of my neigh-

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VIRUS

latest occurring in Randall County.

Dr. Alexander speculates there may be even more cases because some horse owners may not be reporting the deaths of their animals.

One of the sick animals was reported in Gray County but, according to Dr. M.W. Horne of Gray County Veterinary Clinic the treated horse is recovering.

Dr. Alexander confirmed that symptoms in horses include high temperatures, lack of coordination, walking in circles, leaning on objects, legs spread wide, dropping lower lip, convulsions, coma and possibly death. The incubation period is around 15 days.

Dr. Alexander says his office gets updated counts on Tuesday and Thursday based on information from the health department's diagnostic lab in Austin.

The department's Region I, which includes the panhandle and South Plains, is the hardesthit region in Texas, Dr. Alexander said. Twenty percent of the cases are in this area.

As of 9:15 a.m. today, Alexander said there are 77 cases of confirmed West Nile Virus in horses – 28 from Region I. He said, however, that not all the area cases have yet been listed.

The veterinarian says he's "a little bit" surprised at the number of cases and is more surprised "that it got here as fast as it did."

The disease was first reported in 1999 on the east coast and has been spread by mosquitoes that bite infected birds then pass the virus to humans or horses through bites. Domestic pets aren't affected by the disease.

Humans who get the disease have, according to the extension service, mostly mild infections with only a slight fever or headache. More severe infections may be marked by headache, high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation, and muscle weakness.

Dr. Alexander says he's not sure why this part of Texas is so affected as compared to other portions. But he speculates that maybe those east of here were expecting the disease to arrive this year and thus had more horses vaccinated.

"Maybe they had more vaccinations done." he said. "Other than that I really don't know. We're trying to figure that out."

Alexander reports the death rate in this area at 20 percent where in the rest of the state it's

The counties and number of confirmed cases, including the dead horses, are:

Armstrong, two; Briscoe, three; Carson, two; Castro, four; Childress, one; Deaf Smith, three; Floyd, four; Gray, one; Hansford, one; Hockley, two; Lubbock, two; Potter, two; Randall, three; Roberts, one; Sherman, two; and Swisher, two.

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SUBSIDY

\$45,000 for each entity.

County Gray Commissioners Court offered a counter offer of \$66,000 on Aug. 2, but Adams reported at an Aug. 10 county commission meeting that her supervisors turned down the request stating they would agree to \$72,000 annually from the entities.

Rural/Metro has provided ambulance services to both

Pampa and Borger since 1983 and 1984, said Adams.

She told the commission that she would be contacting the Hutchinson County Hospital District (HCHD) at a later date about an increase in their subsidy, explaining that the hospital district pays the subsidy to Rural/Metro in that county.

Adams told the commissioners that the HCHD subsidy was increased two years ago, but Pampa's had never been increased. She said it year," said Peet.

was decreased in 1995.

She attributed the reasons for the subsidy request as declining population, change in Medicare reimbursement and a 45 percent collection

Gray County Commission will again address the amount of the county subsidy at their next meeting on Sept. 3, said

"We will readdress the amount when we discuss the budget for the upcoming fiscal

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MURDER

of about 2,500. Officers said an electrical cord was wrapped around her neck and money was missing from the store's cash register.

Her body was discovered after a customer. Kirby Stephenson, reported the store was empty and, knowing French, he feared maybe she had had a heart attack.

Employees and Hemphill County deputies who were called to the store found the victim lying on her back in a large store room off the store. Its door was locked and had to be removed by the hinges.

On that Sunday, Stephenson told The Pampa News, "You don't expect this kind of thing to happen here in Canadian. Not to someone like Imogene."





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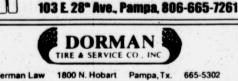
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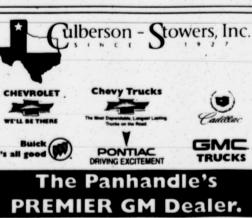
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Which road? High or low?

Do you know the difference between the "high road" and the "low road"?

No, this isn't a joke, neither is it about the "bonnie, bonnie banks of Loch Lomond". In Christian living we often find ourselves faced with situations where various options are, available. After eliminating the ones that are wrong, we can still find ourselves faced with several correct options.

How do we then determine which one occupies the higher ground? How can we tell the difference between the high road option and the low road one?

In Luke 10:25-42 Jesus used two different situations to teach on the difference between the high road and the low road. The first one arises when a lawyer asks Jesus, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" When the lawyer tried to justify himself by asking, "Who is my neighbor?", Jesus told the parable that we call "the good Samaritan."

In that parable, a Jewish priest and a Levite passed right on by an injured man who had been left for dead by robbers. I personally do not believe that the priest and Levite were heartless men. They probably didn't stop because they either thought. that, one, it was a trap by the robbers who frequented the 20 miles from Jerusalem to Jericho or, two, that they couldn't touch the dead body without becoming unclean.

Had you asked the two men about why they walked on by, they probably would



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have pointed to personal safety and/ or obedience to the Law. Their explanation would probably have sounded very much like some that we have offered when rationalizing why we didn't stop and help someone broken down along the side of the road.

Jesus' point is not that the two men were heartless, but that they chose the "low road." It was the Samaritan who traveled the "high road." Therefore, Jesus is saying, "Choose the high road!"

Immediately following this high/ low road parable comes a high/low road story. Jesus came to Martha's house for a visit. In preparing the kind of dinner that any disciple would who was entertaining Jesus, Martha became frustrated. Maybe she was trying to do way too much or fix too many dishes. I don't know. But for some reason she became frustrated and then asked Jesus to chew Mary out for not helping her.

Now here is a trap ques-

When Jesus responded to Martha, was He saying that the high road was sitting at His feet and that working in the kitchen was the low road? No! He was not saying that. In fact, how appropriate

would it be for a host to have special guests and ignore their physical needs? It was not that the kitchen was the low road, nor was it that the living room was the high road. Both places could have been the high road. It was Martha's attitude and behavior that destroyed the high road possibilities for her work in the kitchen.

How do you think Mary would have responded if Martha had politely motioned for her help? I believe that she would have helped. And then both would have been on the high road.

But what if Martha had motioned for help and Mary had said, "No, I don't want to. The kitchen is your thing, not mine." Guess who would have then been corrected by Jesus? That's right. Mary. Jesus wasn't saying that cooking is low road stuff, but attending a Bible class is high road stuff. Both can be high road stuff, it just depends on our attitude and behavior.

So look for high road opportunities in your Christian life. And if you struggle with distinguishing which option is the higher road, ask the Lord for help. He will always be faithful to show the way.

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Wayland students mix up concrete, water, and dirt to create cement for a sidewalk they constructed on the grounds at Nyeri Baptist High School. The sidewalk will provide a mud-free venue from the school building to staff housing units. Pictured are (from left), Krysta Williams of Lorenzo, Adam Gibbs of Canyon, Donna Gleason of Albuquerque, N.M., Mike Smith of Kingwood, Kaci Risser of Matador, and Jodi Henderson of Lubbock.

Pampa students join mission trip to Africa

Zack Greer and Penny Greer, Wayland Baptist University students from Pampa, recently participated in a mission trip to Africa. Zack and Penny joined 11 other WBU students, Baptist Student Ministries Director Donnie Brown, and science professor Dr. Vaughn Ross for a three-week excursion to Kenva.

During that time, the group did some construction projects at Nyeri Baptist High School, worked in several orphanages in the Nairobi area, and did evangelistic work with members of the Samburu tribe in the village of Marala

Students were exposed to some activities they had likely never done, like building a concrete sidewalk at the high school. Other activities, like a friendly game of basketball or hugging on orphaned children, came naturally.

For the most part, the student missionaries worked alongside missionaries currently serving in Kenya on projects that were fairly well established.

But students also got a glimpse of new efforts during the last week of the venture. when they broke into small groups led by missionaries

and shared their faith door-todoor to the Samburu, considered an unreached people group in Africa.

According to Brown, the students benefited from being exposed to a different culture and have returned with a new

"They realized how blessed they were to be Americans and on the flip side, how much we waste and take our freedom and abundance for granted," he said. "Their view of God was stretched, too, because they had to process all the extreme poverty and extreme wealth in the world, yet we have the same Gospel. That caused a deeper compassion for those in need and a desire to see people come to Christ."

Brown said working with the orphans made a great impact on him as well. The group made frames out of tongue depressors and took the kids' pictures with a Polaroid, presenting the finished product to the orphans.

"The kids were so excited, because many of them had never had their picture taken before," he recalled. "Just to see the smiles and the little bit of happiness we were able to bring those kids was neat."

Brown also said he was impressed by how God put the students together for the trip, each with different talents and strengths that all seemed to be utilized during the trip.

"Some really got into the evangelism and going doorto-door with the missionaries, and some really got into working with the orphans,' he said. "The students all went above and beyond what was asked of them."

Free for Sure



(Community Camera photo)

Ken Webb graduated after completing a 52-week "Free for Sure" course studying the Book of John at the Jordan Unit. Celebrating with Webb were other classmates and alumni of the class, along with local volunteers. Over the past five years, A total of 79 have completed the

Experts: Grand juries unlikely to indict bishops

AP - As prosecutors turn to grand juries to investigate sex abuse by Roman Catholic clergy, church observers are wondering whether the ultimate target of criminal charges will be a cardinal or bishop who mishandled molester priests.

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Redeeming Grace to host MusicFest Redeeming Grace Mission, 422 N. West, invites the public to their Outdoor MusicFest

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and free barbecue at 7 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 24. Persons who are not musically inclined are invited to read a poem or scripture

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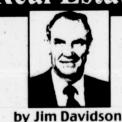
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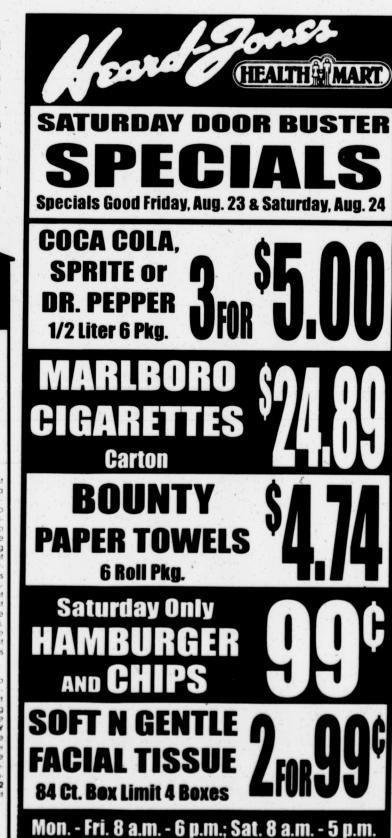


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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Couple's Emotional Ties Still Blind After Breakup

were together for the better part of seven years. We had many ups and downs during that time, including the devastating loss of our 5-yearold son, "Dennis Jr." Soon after our son's death, I hurt Dennis deeply by leaving him for another man. While I don't excuse my behavior, it was a hard time for me after our son's passing

I moved to another city for six months and then returned to my hometown. It's been two years since I've been back. My problem is I am still in love with Dennis - but he is in a relationship with another woman.

When I told Dennis of my feelings for him, he told me he still loves me as much as ever and will never be in love with the woman he is with. In the same breath, he told me that he cannot be with me because he doesn't want to be hurt again. Since that time, Dennis makes an effort to be at the home of mutual friends whenever he knows I will be there. He has also visited my home, told me he loves me. embraced and kissed me

My question: Why does he continue to say these things knowing my feelings for him? I find it more and more difficult to get on with my life. I feel as though he is playing with my emotions

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> DEAR ABBY: I am 23 years old and have been engaged to "Leon" for five months. Recently I started having doubts about whether or not he's the right guy for me. Leon and I have been together

> about two years, and my fear is that I have pressured him into proposing because all my friends were getting married.

Frankly, I'm scared to tell my fiance what I'm feeling, because I don't want to hurt him. If we cancel our wedding, we will lose the deposits we've placed for many of the wedding services - even though our wedding date is a year away. To further complicate matters,

we planned on taking Leon's little sister on a trip to Orlando with my family this December, and it would crush her if we called it off. (The plane tickets have already been purchased.

Please help me. Abby. I'm so con-

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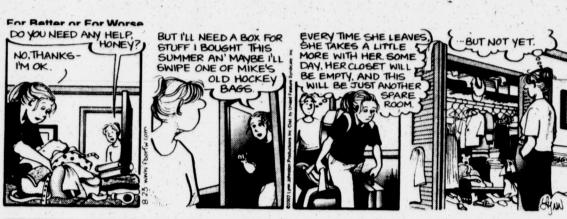
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P.S. If Leon felt pressured into proposing, he may be as relieved as you are when you give him the news.

WORTH REMEMBERING: A sign in the late Tip O'Neill's office read: "It's nice to be important, but it's more impor-tant to be nice." (submitted by Andrew W. Hanley)

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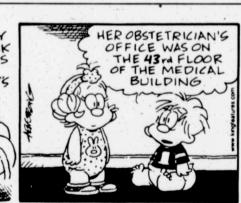
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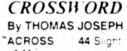


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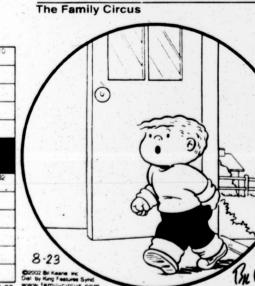
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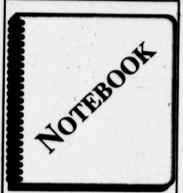
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Persons interested in the high school wrestling program are urged to attend.

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PAMPA — There will be a Harvester Soccer Booster Club meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Ready Room in the PHS athletic building.

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FOOTBALL

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Forget that rookie quarterback Chad Hutchinson is getting a trial run as the starter. The Dallas Cowboys have too many real issues to deal with in Saturday's preseason game

against Atlanta. Cowboys coach Dave Campo and offensive coordinator Bruce Coslet just want Hutchinson, their 25vear-old rookie, to work with the first team and

against defense. There is no quarterback controversy for now. Quincy Carter, who will play the second and third quarters, is still No. 1 and will be the starter for the

a first-team

Atlanta, which like Dallas is 2-0 in the preseason, will stick with its starter for the first half Saturday night.

Sept. 8 opener at Houston.

Michael Vick is in control after starting just two games, one of them against Dallas, as a rook-

ie. The Cowboys have a lot of questions that need to be answered in the last two pregames, Saturday's is the last before the first NFL-mandated cuts.

 Is rookie receiver Antonio Bryant indeed ready to take over as the starter for Raghib Ismail, who is out for season after neck injury, or does second-year player Ken-Yon Rambo deserve the starting nod?

 Which cornerbacks are going to distinguish themselves? Eight players are still in the mix, with free agent pickup Bryant Westbrook and Mario Edwards (out with strained right hamstring) the likely starters.

Who will be kicking field goals? Incumbent Tim Seder and rookie Billy Cundiff are both 3-for-3 so far, with Seder hitting a 49yarder and Cundiff a 52yarder.

- When will the starting offensive line be together? All five starting linemen have been hurt or held back at some point in camp. Only two or three of them will play Saturday.

How much of a problem is the snapper position? Jeff Robinson is out with a torn ACL and Campo expects a revolving door

Nebraska, Iowa State, Texas Tech open up the Big 12 season

seems like Saturday's start to the college football season is earlier than ever for a Big 12 team, you're almost right.

When Nebraska, Iowa State and Texas Tech play Saturday, they'll be starting one day after the earliest start in league history, set by Oklahoma on Aug. 23, 1997.

The Red Raiders get going first, playing No. 13 Ohio State in an afternoon game in newly renovated Ohio Stadium. More than 100,000 could be on hand to watch Tech quarterback Kliff Kingsbury try breaking out from the "underrated" label many have pinned on him.

The No. 10 Cornhuskers play a few hours later, taking on Arizona State in Lincoln, followed by Iowa State facing No. 3 Florida State at Arrowhead Stadium Kansas City.

The storyline surrounding Nebraska is how quarterback Jammal Lord will fare as he replaces Heisman Trophy winner Eric Crouch. There are five other new starters on offense, and the defense which allowed 99 points over the final two games last season - replaces five starters.

The "Blackshirts" can look to rebuild their reputation against an Arizona State quarterback taking his first collegiate snap. Chad Christensen knows what to expect, though, because he lived in Lincoln for five years.

Should the Cornhuskers need any motivational fuel, coach Frank Solich could pop in a tape of the last time the teams met: Sept. 21, 1996,

DALLAS (AP) - If it when the Sun Devils shut out Nebraska, ending its 26-game winning streak.

The Cyclones are hoping to jumpstart their season with a huge upset. They have the quarterback to do it in Seneca Wallace, a run-pass threat that Florida State coach Bobby Bowden has called "a combination of a Charlie Ward and Michael Vick." ISU beat FSU in their only previous meeting, back in 1975.

The Cyclones also will be breaking in a new No. 1 running back, Mike Wagner. He backed up Ennis Haywood the last two seasons then took the job this fall from Hiawatha Rutland, who had won the starting role in the spring.

Wagner, who set the ISU freshman rushing record two years ago with 170 yards in his only previous start, will try extend the school's streak of having a 1,000-yard rusher the last seven seasons.

The challenge for the Red Raiders will be to hand the Buckeyes their first loss in a home opener since 1979.

Among the players Tech will have to stop is Maurice Clarett, who will become Ohio State's first true freshman to start at tailback in his first game. That's something Archie Griffin, Robert Smith and Eddie George didn't do.

The Red Raiders have won all seven non-conference games under coach Mike Leach, but none of the opponents have been the caliber of Ohio State. Tech took the challenge partly for a payout of more than \$1.5 million.

"This is the first time since



Pampa High's tennis team (above) is preparing for the fall season.

"One Heartbeat" is team motto

PAMPA - "One Heartbeat" can be heard as the Harvesters' tennis team works out in preparation for the 2002 Team Tennis season.

The Harvesters return seven seniors, including Jay Gerber, David Thacker, Tyler Howard, Kevin Turner, Helen Brooks, Abby Bradley and Vanessa Orr.

The Pampa netters are seeking their sixth district championship in a row.

"We are really excited about getting the season under way," said coach Carolyn Quarles. "We lost some great seniors from last year's team, but I really like what I see with this team. "One Heartbeat" is our motto and this group is doing a great job of putting the team first in everything we do. It is a very unselfish group."

Pampa opens this weekend in Vernon and then plays in the prestigious Dallas Highland Park Invitational Aug. 30-31.

Pampa's top eight girls are Myca Vinson (freshman), Helen Brooks (senior), Tara Jordan (junior), Abby Bradley (senior), Vanessa Orr (senior), Payton Baird (sophomore) and Ashlee Lucas (freshman).

The top eight boys are Jay Gerber (senior). David Thacker (senior), Britton White (junior), Zach Hucks (junior), Adam Etchison (junior), Tyler Howard (senior), Kevin Turner (senior) and Austin Morton (senior).

The Harvesters are picked third in District

Tennis

3-4A behind Palo Duro and Plainview.

Coach Quarles begins her fourth year as Pampa head coach.

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) - Fifth-seeded Martina Hingis completed her first three-set match since returning from a three-month injury layoff but it wasn't enough against an energized Anastasia Myskina.

The unseeded Myskina beat Hingis 6-7 (2), 6-4, 6-0 by winning the final 11 games in their Pilot Pen quarterfinal.

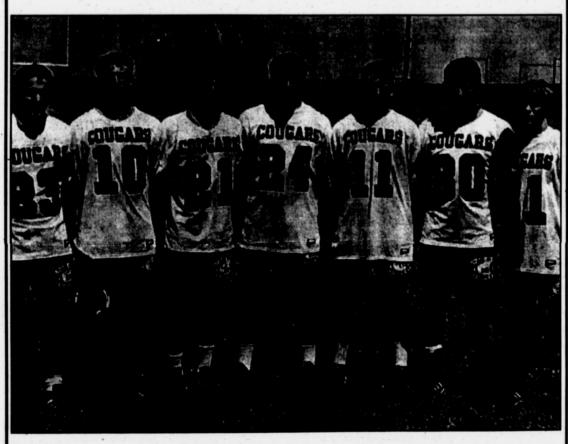
Lindsay Davenport beat Amelie Mauresmo, and three-time defending champ Venus Williams pasted Laura Granville.

COMMACK, N.Y. (AP) — Defending champion Tommy Haas played through pain again and reached the TD Waterhouse Cup quarterfinals.

The 24-year-old, plagued by tendinitis in his right shoulder since the Australian Open in January, was hampered by new pain in both his right arm and elbow as he rallied for a 4-6, 6-2, 6-1 victory over Augustin Calleri.

In other matches, Alex Corretja beat Jonas Bjorkman, Mardy Fish defeated Nicolas Massu, and Juan Ignacio Chela eliminated Jan-Michael Gambill.

Fort Elliott seniors



Seven seniors return to the Fort Elliott football team this year. They are (from left) Kade Zybach, Seth Meadows, Caleb Kirkpatrick, Larry Lee Horn, Jason Hathaway, Junior Gonzales and Wesley Hathaway. The Cougars open the 2002 season on Aug. 29 against Floyd, N.M. at 6 p.m. in Happy.

PCC to have open house for public

PAMPA— The Pampa Country Club will be open to the public this weekend.

During the Open House, special new rates for members will be offered only for this Saturday and Sunday.

Both the PCC restaurant and pool will be open Saturday and

The restaurant will open at 11 a.m. both days and the pool will open at 1 p.m. both days. The club will accept VISA, MC and Discover cards for restaurant and pool fees.

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Oswalt shuts down Cubs

HOUSTON (AP) — After watching Roy Oswalt win his sixth straight game, Chicago Cubs catcher Joe Girardi compared the Houston Astros' ace to some of the game's best

"For the last two years, he has been as good as anybody," Girardi said. "He has proven himself the last two years. He's been as good as Schilling, Maddux or Johnson. He just hasn't been around as long as them."

Oswalt (16-6) allowed five hits and struck out six in eight innings as he improved to 4-0 in five starts against the Cubs this season. He had a feeling he'd get a shot at a complete game.

"I thought I might get to finish it tonight," Oswalt said. "But I don't mind. I have six more starts this year and I want to finish strong.'

Oswalt, who had three complete games as a rookie last year, has gone eight innings five times this season,

including three this month. but has not finished a game.

"Complete games don't mean that much," Oswalt said. "They're nice to get, but there's no sense pushing it. One inning might not seem like a lot, but they can add up and at the end of the season that can make a difference."

His one mistake was Fred McGriff's solo homer in the seventh inning.

"He has shown that last year was not a fluke. Chicago outfielder Corey Patterson said. "He's going to be one of the best pitchers in the National League for a long

Oswalt has pitched 49.2 innings with a 1.45 ERA and has struck out 39 during his six-game winning streak.

'He looked strong tonight," said Astros catcher Brad Ausmus, who homered in Houston's six-run first. "His fastball was good and his curve. was as good as it has been the last three or four starts.

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Red Sox save Pedro, win game

By JOSH DUBOW AP Sports Writer

The Boston Red Sox got an important win and didn't even need Pedro Martinez to do it.

After the Red Sox held their ace back a day because of threatening weather, Dustin Hermanson stepped in and won his official debut as a Boston starter 12-3 over Texas on Thursday night.

"I was more than happy to step in," said Hermanson, who spent all but eight days on the disabled list this season. "I would have pitched in a snowstorm tonight."

He got plenty of support as Manny Ramirez had two homers and six RBIs to spark Boston to a 12-0 lead after four innings. But Hermanson (1-0) was sharp with four shutout innings before giving up two runs in the fifth.

"I'm not going to try to do too much to make up for lost time, but I do want to put a nice season together," Hermanson said. "My season starts now."

Just in time for the Red Sox, who trail AL West leaders Oakland and Seattle by 3 1/2 games in the wild-card race and Anaheim by 2 1/2. Boston begins a four-game series with the Angels on Friday with Martinez starting the opener.

In other AL games, it was: New York 4, Anaheim 2; Oakland 9, Cleveland 3; Seattle 4. Detroit 2; Minnesota 8, Kansas City 6; and Baltimore 3, Tampa Bay 2.

Hermanson's first start in Boston's second game of the season was wiped out by rain after two innings. He pitched a perfect first inning against Toronto then left after injuring his groin warming up for the second April 3.

Hermanson, obtained in an offseason trade with St. Louis, went on the disabled list April 8 and pitched one inning of relief July 20 against the New York Yankees. He went back on the disabled list the next day with a staph infection in his left elbow and was activated Thursday.

Ramirez hit a two-run homer in the first, an RBI single in the second and a threerun homer in the third for an 11-0 lead. The second homer gave him 22 homers for the season and 1,000 RBIs in his career. He walked in the sev-

Dennys Reyes (1-1) lasted just two innings in his first start in 50 appearances this season.

Frank Castillo pitched four innings for his second career save and first since 1998. Yankees 4, Angels 2

David Wells (14-6) pitched into the eighth, and Derek Jeter had three hits to lead New York over visiting Anaheim.

Jeter scored twice for the Yankees, who took two of three in a series between AL division leaders and have won eight of 10 overall. Raul Mondesi added a two-run single off John

The Angels fell one game behind AL West leaders Seattle and Oakland.

Athletics 9, Indians 3

Mark Mulder completed Oakland's first four-game sweep of Cleveland since moving to California and the Athletics won their seasonhigh ninth straight.

Mulder (15-7) allowed three runs and five hits in 7 2-3 innings as the A's swept a fourgame series from Cleveland for the first time since 1968, when they played in Kansas City.

The A's have a share of first place for the first time since straight.

Mariners 4, Tigers 2

Mike Cameron singled in two runs in a three-run sixth against Mark Redman (7-12) as Seattle won to keep pace with Oakland.

Cameron was 7-for-11 in the series, including hits in six straight at-bats, after arriving in Detroit in an 0-for-21 slump.

Ryan Franklin (5-3) allowed two runs in six innings. Kazuhiro Sasaki pitched the ninth for his 32nd save.

Twins 8, Royals 6

Jacque Jones hit a home run leading off a game for the third time in four days and Cristian Guzman and Luis Rivas also homered as Minnesota won at Kansas City.

Jones, who's hit four of his nine leadoff homers this year against the Royals, knocked the second pitch from Runelvys Hernandez (3-2) over the fence in left. It was Jones' 23rd homer.

Guzman went 3-for-4 with three RBIs to extend his hitting streak to 20 games, the best for the Twins since Shane Mack's 22-game streak in 1992.

Orioles 3, Devil Rays 2, 11 innings

Jerry Hairston homered and scored the winning run in the bottom of the 11th on a single by Tony Batista, carrying Baltimore past Tampa Bay before the smallest crowd in the 11-year history of Camden

Jeff Conine also homered for the Orioles. There were only 21,447 fans in the makeup of an April 9 rainout.

Chris Gomez connected for the Devil Rays, who are 0-12-3 in their last 15 series. The last AL team to go 15 series without a win is the 1996 Detroit Tigers, who went 16

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Ming has 13 points, six blocked shots against United States team

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — In United States. He swatted away six person. Yao Ming was even bigger than the U.S. players expected.

And after getting their first look-at him in an 84-54 victory over China on Thursday night, the American

Yao drew a sellout crowd of 19.873 to the Oakland Coliseum Arena and had some good and bad

shots, denied Antonio Davis the honor of being the first American to dunk on him and finished with 13 points and 11 rebounds.

"At halftime, we did speak and players were impressed enough to said the kid is pretty good," U.S. when he was defended by Ben say he has already earned their coach George Karl said. "There's no question he's a danger factor around the basket."

The 7-foot-5 mystery man from China who was the No. 1 pick overmoments in his first game in the all by the Houston Rockets in the

NBA draft last June.

Yao also showed he can be dan-

Yao finished 5-for-12 from the field, and he was unafraid to push back when the Americans tried to push him outside. He missed his only 3-point shot and committed five n't hurt him much," Yao dead-

"When you have pitiful moments, valuable," Yao said.

backboard, although he said it wasn't serious. He did manage to emerge unscathed after Wallace landed on top of him after Yao faked Wallace off his feet in the third quarter.

"I hope when he fell on me it did-

With just 8 seconds left in the

"Everybody's dream is to dunk on someone taller than you," Williams said. "I thought he was going to jump, but he didn't jump."

Michael Finley led the U.S. team

Horoscope By Jacqueline BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Aug.

Sorting out your priorities could determine if you are successful this year. Often confusion surrounds your interactions. Learn better ways of communicating. You might even want to consider taking a class in this area. You often give too much of yourself, or you don't give enough. Learn the appropriate boundaries. You function and flourish on a oneon-one level. A strong relationship will develop if you are more willing to reveal who you are. If attached, you will have an opportunity to strengthen your bond. If single, you will draw many admirers. Just make sure the one you choose is emotionally available. ARIES understands you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** * Your smile helps melt away recent problems. Don't hem and haw. Create more of what you desire. Make calls. Help energize another close to you. A discussion might be more important than you realize. Talk through a problem. Tonight: Whatever you want. Just let the right person know. This Week: The realization that you

weren't told the whole story adds a new tone to your workweek. Others try hard to appease you

- TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

* * Take your time, especially because much could be confusing. Others might not agree with you. Think twice about your expectations and needs. Settle in at home. Curl up with a good book or take a nap. Avoid confrontation. Tonight: Early to bed.

This Week: You understand a money matter differently as a result of a conversation. Use your creativity and nurturing ways to help someone close to you. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** * Confusion surrounds pals and loved ones. Making plans could keep

you busy. Once you get going, you enjoy yourself wherever you are. Get together with friends. The more the merrier. Tonight: So what if tomorrow is Monday?

This Week: Friends and associates pitch in when an individual leaves you in the

lurch. Understand that a partner might be you relax and clear the air. Talks ensue going through some strong changes. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

* * * Take the lead Understanding what is going on could take a bit of sorting, as many people have different stories. Indulge friends and loved ones. You cannot change what people think, but you can help everyone relax. Tonight: In the limelight. This Week: You know what it takes to

make others respond. Just don't do anything so dramatic that it might backfire. Organize a tight schedule. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

* * * Reach out for others at a distance. Be willing to become more experimental. You need not worry so much about the end results. Have more confidence in yourself. You will land just fine. Unfortunately others might not be as lucky. Tonight: Try a different type of cuisine

This Week: Though a gamble might not pay off, you find another way around a problem. Don't underestimate your creativity, drive and charm. They work. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

* * If you feel confused by an immediate issue, understand that you might not have all the facts, or you subliminally might not be willing to deal with what's happening. Let a close associate make the first move. You find this person ready to reveal more of him- or herself. Tonight: Togetherness works. This Week: Work with others on a one-

on-one level. You might be upset by what goes on around you. Stay calm. You have the solution

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

* * * * Realize when you have had enough. A child or loved one demonstrates his or her caring once you express your frustration. A partner or friend

seeks you out with a fun idea. You feel tantalized by this invitation. The only PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) answer is "yes." Tonight: Where people

This Week: Know when you're at the end of a problem, but also understand you

might be angry by another's flakiness. tle exercise. You accomplish a lot quick-You know what you want and expect. Let ly. Tonight: Order in. this person know, too.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) * * * * Join a parent or loved one in a favorite pastime. Before you know it, gentle during discussions.

now that you're more relaxed. This person helps you resolve a problem that has

been bothering you. Tonight: Start think-

This Week: Finances seem to be precari-

ous. Perhaps you weren't given all the

information you need. Take action so

there will never be a repeat. Give 100

*** Once more, impulse leads

you down a very interesting path. You

could find yourself exploring or doing

something you never have done before.

Your openness delights a companion

who adores you. Tonight: Let the good

This Week: You could be having a bad-

hair week. You still have a lot going for

you. Network. Push at work. This too

* * * Entertain friends at home. You

don't have to stretch far to get a gather-

ing going. In fact, a partner or friends

might pitch in with the work if you just

offer the place. Let go and relax more.

You don't need to act on your vision of

what a party looks like. Tonight: Home is

This Week: Listen to your inner

thoughts. You might be picking up infor-.

mation. Bosses appreciate your genteel

*** Breeze on out the door, less

concerned with everyone's knowledge.

You're able to loosen up considerably as

a result. Realize more of what you want

from a key relationship. Sometimes you

might not be specific enough. Tonight:

This Week: You might experience a

reversal with a long-term desire or

friend. Detach and understand. A partner

* * * * Confusion marks your relation-

ships as of late. Take off and do some fall

shopping. You get a lot done if you just

decide to do it. Others might opt to do

some home projects, or perhaps get a lit-

This Week: You might feel like throwing

in the towel when dealing with others. A

partner also could be on the warpath. Be

style mixed with hard work.

AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

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that makes the good moments more

game, Yao had an opportunity to challenge Jay Williams as the Yao injured his right hand in the American player drove to the basket. second half banging it against the Instead, he chose not to contest the shot and let Williams in for a dunk.

with 19 points.

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2002 JAMES F. O'MALLEY Independent Administrator of the Estate of FRANCIS LYNN O'MALLEY, Deceased c/o Vanessa G. Buzzard Peterson Farris Doores & Jones, P.C.

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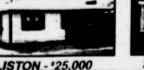
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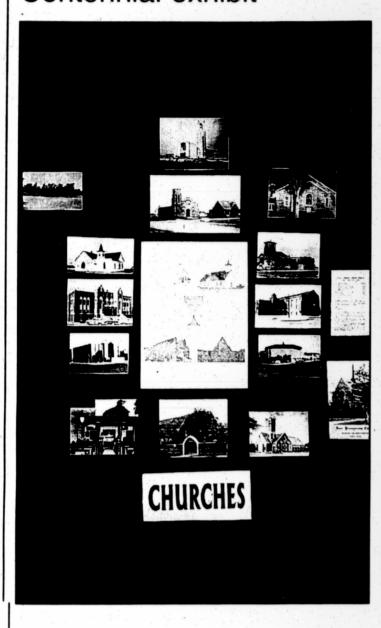


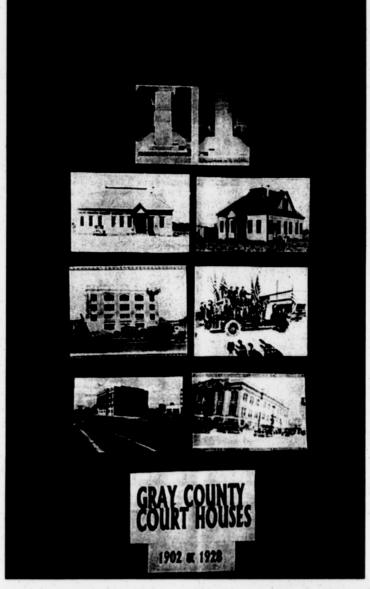






Centennial exhibit





(Courtesy photos)

A Centennial display commemorating Gray County's 100th birthday is currently on view at White Deer Land Museum in Pampa. On the left is a display entitled "Churches." Featured in the display is a photo of First Methodist Church at North Starkweather and East Foster and another of the Catholic (Holy Souls) Church at West Browning and North Ward plus many more. Right: A display entitled "Gray County Court Houses" includes a photo of the county's first courthouse in Lefors.

Chretien confident in party's strength, ability

(AP) Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien has rejected concerns that his decision to step down in 18 months will cause more infighting within his

Wednesday to not seek a fourth straight term has created fear that the wait until he tions of greenhouse gas emisleaves office — dubbed the sions. "long goodbye" by the media - was too long and the fight to succeed him would leave his Liberal Party incapable of governing effectively.

"If the party lets (Chretien) get away with it, it will not help the Liberals to 'complete our work, as he put it yesterday. It will bring work to a grinding halt," The Globe and newspaper Thursday in an editorial

Chretien denied that at a al warming accord. news conference following a Liberal Party caucus meeting in Saguenay, Ouebec, Asked if 18 months was too long, he responded: "No. Next.

Former Finance Minister Paul Martin, the leading contender to succeed him, said he was happy with the February 2004 resignation date and was prepared to work within the timeframe.

As evidence that government would not be paralyzed. Chretien pointed to the party caucus meeting on Thursday. saying it had endorsed a "nice" and "very liberal" agenda. He promised action The premier's decision on on major issues such as Medicare and the Kyoto Protocol on mandatory reduc-

> A special commission set up to study the Medicare issue is due to report its findings in November, the latest step in a multiyear debate on the future of the strained state-sponsored health care system.

On Kyoto, Chretien's government has delayed previously promised ratification because of pressure from business interests spurred by the U.S. rejection of the glob-

Chretien also said that he would forbid, for now, Cabinet ministers such as Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister John Manley, Industry Minister Allan Pock and Heritage Minister Sheila Copps from organizing a leadership cam-

have pushed over the past two years for Chretien to step aside, to depart the Cabinet. He did so after Chretien hinted at seeking a fourth term and prohibited Cabinet ministers from creating organizations or raising money.

"I'm sure that some of them will talk to some people about these things. But they cannot open offices or raise money." Chretien Thursday.

Martin had worked closely with Chretien for more than eight years until he left his Cabinet in June. The personal rivalry with Chretien split the party and hurt its popularity, eventually forcing the prime minister to announce his resignation plans earlier than intended.

Martin lost a party leadership race to Chretien in 1990 and has waited since for his chance to become prime minister, a post his father — a longtime Liberal Party politician — also sought but never

"I've stated that I've been preparing for this leadership for a long time. Quite clearly I'm going to be campaign-That issue is what caused ing," Martin said. When Martin, whose supporters asked if that gave him an unfair advantage over Cabinet members prevented from campaigning for now, Martin said: "There are advantages

to being in Cabinet as well." The rift between Chretien and Martin supporters, chronicled almost daily in Canadian media for months, created the perception that the Liberal Party was overwhelmed by its internal problems and unable to effectively lead the government. Opinion polls showed a large drop in Chretien's support, with one saying up to 70 percent of respondents wanted him to step aside.

While the polls showed the Liberals would win another election, the amount of support has receded and Chretien acknowledged in announcing his resignation plans that he was doing so sooner than

Russia, North Korea meet, talk economics

By JIM HEINTZ ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

VLADIVOSTOK, Russia (AP) - North Korean leader Kim Jong II on Friday took time out from his round of visits to factories, military units and stores in Russia's Far East to discuss economics and international affairs with President Vladimir Putin.

Putin said the 3 1/2-hour talks in Vladivostok focused on economic development, and that the two leaders also exchanged views on the important international developments of the day, including the tensions between North and South Korea.

"I want to underline once again that Russia is prepared to contribute to the normalization of the situation on the Korean Peninsula," Putin said.

Kim did not speak to reporters. However, when he and Putin walked past, Kim smiled and spread his arms out widely in a gesture that appeared to indicate satisfaction and good spirits. Earlier, at the start of the meeting, he had pronounced himself "1,000 percent happy" with his trip to Russia.

Earlier in the day, Kim visited a seaport, a store and a bakery. The local Vostok Media news agency said Kim chose the Vladivostok Commercial Seaport because it was where Soviet troops boarded ships to depart for Korea for battles with the Japanese army during World War II.

Kim then proceeded to the Ignat department store. Vladivostok Mayor Yuri Kopylov, who accompanied Kim on his city tour, said the North Korean leader was interested in a department selling Russian Orthodox icons, and he bought Kim one as a present. According to Kopylov, Kim is going to build a small Orthodox church in Pyongyang and hang the icon there.

Kim's delegation also went to a baking plant. "He was very interested in new products and new technology," Kopylov said, adding that Kim especially like bread that contained kelp and charcoal.

On previous stops on his Far East tour, Kim visited shipyards, defense plants and other manufacturers including a pharmaceutical plant and a cable

Kim's interest in heavy industries and medicines underlines the desperation into which North Korea, a communist country where Kim inherited a cult of personality from his late father, has fallen since the collapse of European Communism.

Trade relationships with countries that once had an ideological kinship with North Korea have disintegrated and the country's crumbling manufacturing sector has little to offer on a strictly economic

Russian-North Korean trade turnover fell some 80 percent in the decade since the Soviet collapse, to \$115 million in 2001, according to the Russian Ministry Economic Development.

The economic troubles, aggravated by a severe famine, appear to have pushed Kim to undertake elements of market-oriented reforms, although North Korea says the recently enacted changes are aimed at making central planning work better rather than to eliminate it.

North Korea's years of hunger may have been on Kim's mind Thursday when he visited the mess hall of a military base in the Khabarovsk region where, according to ITAR-Tass, he exclaimed "Wow, you have such big tomatoes.'

Kim also is showing more inclination to venture outside his small country's tightly guarded borders. Although he is famously reclusive, the current visit is his second to Russia in just over a year. Last summer, he made a surprising 24-day train trek across the sprawling country's length.



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Tokyo stocks climb, dollar higher against yen TOKYO (AP) — Tokyo because it helps corporate profits ic reports and bookkeeping scan-

stocks rose Friday for the fourth straight session, rising nearly 1 percent on Wall Street's overnight strength and the dollar's advance against the yen.

The benchmark 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average closed up 90.14 points, or 0.91 percent, to 9,904.16 Friday. The index has risen 305.06 points, or 3.18 percent, in the past four days, including Thursday's 171.41point gain.

The dollar bought 119.88 yen at 5 p.m. (4 a.m. EDT), up 0.88 yen from late Thursday in Tokyo but marginally below its late New York level of 119.89 yen.

On the stock market, the Nikkei climbed higher as technology blue chips Toshiba, Fujitsu and Sony and automaker stocks Toyota and Honda continued to benefit from a weakening yen and the strength of U.S. equities, which often sway investor sentiment in Tokyo. Steel makers also benefited from a U.S. decision to exempt more products from the controversial steel import tariffs announced earlier this year.

A weaker yen usually boosts Japanese exporter stocks

by making Japanese products dals. cheaper and thus more competitive in overseas markets, and increases the value of revenues.

Still, stocks remained capped by concerns that corporate investors may sell their shares to pad stockholding profits ahead of the fiscal first half ending in September, traders said.

In New York overnight, U.S. stocks rose for the second straight day, owing their gains to a welcome break from major earnings. shortfalls, disappointing econom-

The Dow closed up 96.41, or 1.1 percent, at 9,053.64 Thursday. It was the index's first close above 9,000 since July 9, when it stood at 9,096.09. The Nasdaq composite index finished up 13.70, or 1 percent, to 1,422.95.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index of all first section issues closed up 2.27 points, or 0.23 percent, at 963.28 Friday. The TOPIX rose 13.64 points, or 1.43 percent, the previous



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