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Lefors school board sets special meeting

LEFORS Lefors Independent School District Board of Trustees will hold a special meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Lefors High School Library, 209 Fifth Street.

Board members will administer the oath of office for a new board member and elect the position of secretary for the board at the meeting.

Luncheon targets minorities, women

AMARILLO The Contract Procurement Center will sponsor a business luncheon for small, minority and women entrepreneurs from 11:45-1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17 at Luby's Cafeteria, 4530 Canyon Dr., Amarillo. Guest speaker will be Michael E. Hooten, School of Allied Health Program.

DEATHS

F.M. 'Buster' Carter, 65, rancher, businessman.
Essie Dawson, 98, homemaker.
Tony Griffin, 82, salesman.
Jewell Clark, 85, of Weiner, Ark.

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Opinion resolves PEDC closure

By **NANCY YOUNG**
MANAGING EDITOR

Being first isn't always best. That's what Pampa leaders have learned since Pampa voters became the first municipality in Texas to vote out their economic development corporation.

Confusion between the Pampa City Commission and Pampa Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors over two specific issues lead to a request for a legal opinion from

Texas Attorney John Cornyn.

(1) Does the City of Pampa, as the creating unit, have approval authority over the plan of dissolution of the PEDC including, but not limited to, the terms of the sale of assets; and

(2) May a reserve account be established to meet future financial commitments after the outstanding obligations have been paid?

City Attorney Don Lane said the AG has issued a very clear opinion. "It gives us the guidelines we need," he said.

Lane said this morning he has furnished a copy of the opinion to all city commissioners, but he has not discussed it with any of them.

"We've got the answer," said Commissioner Jeff Andrews said in a telephone interview. "We can go from there. We have the answer about how to handle the United Medicorp situation and the answer about the oversight of the commission."

Chris Jensen, PEDC attorney, said this morning, "I think we will have to meet with the PEDC board. This opinion

helps clarify the authority of the PEDC in moving forward to resolve property owned by the PEDC. It will help to eliminate the sales tax as soon as possible."

PEDC Board President Dalton Lewis said, "We need to get a plan laid out at our next meeting on Sept. 23 and present it to the city. We'll go from there."

Steve Phillips, PEDC board member, said, "We need to work together. We need to follow the guidelines set up (See **OPINION**, Page 8)



Debbie Dalton, center, presents Clifford McDonald of McLean Fire Department, left, and Floyd Lott of the Lefors Volunteer Fire Department with checks for \$1,780 from the annual Volunteer Firefighters Benefit.

Benefit dance raises \$5,000 for McLean, Lefors firefighters

By **DAVID BOWSER**
STAFF WRITER

MCLEAN - Volunteer fire departments in Lefors, McLean and Shamrock split more than \$5,000 Friday.

The money was came from a street dance fund raiser in late July in downtown McLean.

Debbie Dalton, one of the organizers of the annual Volunteer Fire Fighters Benefit, presented representatives from each of the three fire departments with checks for \$1,780 on Friday. Floyd Lott with the Lefors Volunteer Fire Department and Clifford McDonald with the McLean Volunteer Fire Department were presented their checks in McLean.

Last summer's fundraiser was the second annual street dance that had

been held to raise money for the fire departments.

"This year, we raised quite a bit more money," Dalton said.

Last year, each department received slightly more than \$1,100.

The fund raiser included a barbecue dinner and western swing music.

Cozy Parsons of McLean opened the hometown affair with the National Anthem, the band Texas Crossroads started the evening's musical fare as the crowd ate barbecue beef donated by the McLean Feedyard. The Irish Inn provided the potato salad; Dyers Barbecue provided the coleslaw; the Wagon Wheel Restaurant donated beans; the Red River Steak House, the cobbler and Puckett's, the soft drinks, water and tea.

Texas Crossroads is a Shamrock band led by David Rushing, executive

director of the Shamrock Chamber of Commerce. Also in the band are George Hooten, Randy Lallant, Mark Wright and Thom Velasquez.

The Magic City Boys finished the evening.

Most of the Magic City Boys played with Bob Wills during the 1940s or 1950s, including Herb Remington of Houston, Gene Gasaway, Fort Smith, Ark.; Bob Boatwright, Mansfield, Jimmy Young, Amarillo, Curly Lewis, Tulsa; Larry Reed, Weatherford, Dwight Cook, Amarillo; Leon Chambers, Dallas; Tony Ramsey, Poteau, Okla.; Billy Dozier, Tulsa and Tiny Duncan of Pampa. John Mann of Kellerville was the lead vocalist.

The fundraiser, Dalton said, is planned for the last Friday in July, and the barbecue and street dance will probably take place in Lefors.

'See you at the Pole' set Wednesday

On Wednesday, Sept. 18, many students plan to meet at the Pampa Middle School and Pampa High School flag poles at 7:30 a.m. for the international prayer event "See You at the Pole."

Adults wishing to pray for the students of Pampa schools can meet at the flag pole just north of the Freedom Museum, 600 N. Hobart, at 7 a.m. Wednesday.

At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, a special rally for middle school and high school students will be held at the Pampa Middle School Auditorium, 2401 Charles, featuring music, videos, and a special speaker, Doug Herman.

"See You at the Pole" began in with a group of young people in Burleson on April 6, 1990.

Following a time of commitment in their lives, the students decided to gather at the flag poles on three of the campuses in their city. In June of that year, more students decided to meet at the flag poles on their respective campuses in September.

On Sept. 12, 1990, 48,000 students (See **POLE**, Page 8)

Chidester takes 5th in Lineman's Rodeo

Xcel Energy employee Dru Chidester of Pampa took fifth place at the International Lineman's Rodeo at Kansas City, Mo.

Bill Crenshaw of Xcel's Energy media relations said Chidester was competing in the Investor Owned Utilities division.

Chidester has been with the electrical company since December 2000. A lineman-apprentice, he worked with a traveling system crew building high wire lines until he moved to Pampa in March.

Chidester was representing Texas in the contest after capturing the state title at Lubbock in July.

Xcel Energy apprentice electric lineman B.J. Hatfield of Amarillo finished fourth in the apprentice division 40-foot pole climb. He was winner of the event in 2001.

Five alleged terrorists to appear in court today

LACKAWANNA, N.Y. (AP) - An American of Yemeni descent and arrested in Bahrain was due in federal court in Buffalo on Monday, two days after five others arrested in western New York were charged with aiding terrorist organizations, federal officials said.

Prosecutors say the five, arrested last week, were members of a terror cell trained by Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida

network and were under investigation even before the Sept. 11 attacks. They said the men had intensified their communications this month.

The investigation into the men began in early summer 2001, about the time they returned from Afghanistan, said U.S. Attorney Michael Battle. The men were born in the United States and are of Yemeni descent.

The sixth man, arrested last

week in the Persian Gulf emirate of Bahrain, according to a Bahraini government official, was identified as Muktar al-Bakri by Mohamed Albanna, vice president of the American Muslim Council of Western New York.

"He was there just to get married and come back with the whole family," Albanna said.

Bakri was scheduled to be in federal court in Buffalo at

1:30 p.m., government officials in Washington said.

Al-Bakri's 32-year-old brother, who would not give his name, said from the steps of his Lackawanna home Monday that his 22-year-old brother, who came to the United States when he was 15 or 16, was arrested the night of his marriage.

He insisted that al Bakri is not a terrorist.

"He's innocent," the brother said. "I raised him up. He went to Pakistan for vacation. That's not a crime. Is it a crime to go out of the state?"

He graduated from Lackawanna High school. He played soccer and hockey. And today they say he's a terrorist," said the brother, who said his own house was raided by the FBI on Friday.

The other five men appeared in court Sunday (See **TERRORIST**, Page 8)

Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce September Luncheon
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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and incidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Sept. 13

A theft of a car battery valued at \$45 was reported in the 1100 block of South Christy. Also reported stolen was a TV/VCR. No value was listed.

An assault by threat was reported in the 2200 block of North Christy.

A theft of meat valued under \$50 was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Harassment was reported in the 1100 block of Starkweather.

A report of assault was made in the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

A burglary of a habitation was reported in the 900 block of South Hobart. A picture valued at \$25 was taken.

A window in a door was reported damaged in the 800 block of North Somerville. Estimate of damage was \$50-\$75.

An assault with a prohibited weapon was reported at Crawford and Faulkner.

A forgery was reported in the 400 block of North Ballard.

Saturday, Sept. 14

A theft of medicine valued at \$30 was reported in the 500 block of North Russell.

A CD deck valued at \$450 was taken in a burglary of a motor vehicle in the 2200 block of North Sumner.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 700 block of North Russell.

Three radios were reported taken in a burglary of a vehicle in the 600 block of North Starkweather. Values of the radios were reported as \$432, \$541, and \$450.

A radio/stereo CD was reported stolen in a burglary of a vehicle in the 2100 block of North Sumner. Estimate of loss was \$200. A lock on the door was also reported damaged, but no estimate of damage was available.

An attempted suicide was reported in the 1000 block of Clark.

A violation of a restraining order and a domestic situation was reported in the 1100 block of North Sumner.

A theft of meat was reported in the 300 block of West Brown.

A runaway was reported in the 1100 block of Cinderella.

Sunday, Sept. 15

Elva Patricia Mendoza, 29, 617 N. Sumner, was arrested for sale of alcohol to a minor.

Larry Michael Donaldson, 49, 1308 Garland, was arrested for animal not restrained and no rabies vaccine.

W. Scott Murray, Box 1047, 47, arrested for assault.

James Price Butler, 412 N. Cuyler, 22, was arrested on a warrant for assault and possession of drug paraphernalia.

FIRE

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

Saturday, Sept. 14

9 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters stood by for the city's Hazardous Waste Collection date at Municipal Drive.

11:26 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a fire alarm in the 1000 block of Neel Road. The alarm had malfunctioned.

Sunday, Sept. 15

3:34 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 700 block of North Banks. The call was cancelled before firefighters arrived.

2:19 p.m. — Three units and eight firefighters responded to a structure fire in the 1000 block of South Hobart. A pile of mattresses was on fire in the building. Cause of the fire is unknown.

4:26 p.m. — Three units and eight firefighters responded to a rekindle of the mattress fire in the 1000 block of South Hobart.

Monday, Sept. 16

6:58 a.m. — Two units and five firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision in the 1000 block of East Frederic.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Sept. 14

9:40 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Clark and transported one patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

Sunday, Sept. 15

8:53 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Varnon. One patient was transported to PRMC.

12:43 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a patient transport to Baptist St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

9:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Loop 171 and Highway 60 to transport a patient to PRMC.

Monday, Sept. 16

12:17 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Sierra Drive. One patient was transported to PRMC.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, Sept. 15

Ramon Flores Alvarado, 31, was arrested by the Department of Public Safety for driving while intoxicated, no drivers license, no liability and open container.

Donnie Joe Sears, 29, Duncan Street, was arrested by DPS for driving while intoxicated, third offense.

John Joseph Rozalez, 44, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, third offense.

ACCIDENTS

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Sept. 13

Dan Puckett, 622 North Sumner, reported his Chevrolet extended cab pickup was struck by an unknown vehicle in a local store's parking lot.

OBITUARIES

F.M. 'BUSTER' CARTER 1937-2002

MIAMI — F.M. "Buster" Carter, 65, died Saturday, Sept. 14, 2002, at Amarillo. Memorial services were to be at 2 p.m., today at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor of the United Methodist Church of McLean, officiating.

Mr. Carter was born May 17, 1937, in Pampa. He married Helen Locke on Feb. 17, 1959, in Miami. He was a lifelong resident of Roberts County. He was a rancher with banking and oil interests.

He was a member of the 1955 Pampa Harvester Basketball Team when they won the State Championship. He was an entrepreneur and a supporter of Texas Tech University athletics and scholarships. He was an avid golfer.

He supported many Pampa organizations and was a beloved husband, father, brother, grandfather, and friend.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Carter of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Locke Carter and Dr. Rebecca Rickly of Lubbock; a daughter and son-in-law, Suzy and Jerry Rhoades of Pampa; a brother and sister-in-law, Patrick Casey and Patty Carter of Sun Valley, Idaho; a sister and brother-in-law, Phebe Ann and the Rev. William Hethcock of Sewanee, Tenn.; and four grandchildren, Lindsay and Tyler Rhoades, both of Pampa, and Landon and Ellis Carter, both of Lubbock.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

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ESSIE DAWSON 1903-2002

SNYDER — Essie Dawson, 98, died Saturday, Sept. 14, 2002, at Snyder, Texas. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m., Tuesday at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Jim Fox, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church of Amarillo, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Dawson was born Sept. 18, 1903, in Duenweg, Mo. She married Joe Sherman Dawson on June 1, 1918, in Carthage, Mo. He preceded her in death on Sept. 17, 1973. She was a homemaker and a resident of Skellytown for 50

years before moving to Snyder in October of 1991.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Skellytown, and was a member of the Colonial Hill Baptist Church in Snyder.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Marcella Dawson, on April 8, 1938.

Survivors include a daughter, Melba Gasaway of Snyder; a sister, Hazel Jenkins of Duenweg, Mo.; a grandson, Harold Gasaway of Snyder; and two great-granddaughters, Cherie Gasaway of Pampa and Tanya Gasaway of White Deer.

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TONY GRIFFIN 1920-2002

WHEELER — Tony Griffin, 82, died Saturday, Sept. 14, 2002, at Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday in Country Chapel Church with the Rev. Jerry Jewell, former pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

A salesman for 20 years, Mr. Griffin was born July 2, 1920, at Wheeler, to Albert Beauregard and Hettie Fair Griffin. He attended Wheeler schools and resided in the community most of his life. He was a Baptist and held

membership in Veterans of Foreign Wars and Gideons International.

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

He was preceded in death by a son, Buford Lynn Griffin, in 1967; and a grandson, Tony Conner, in 1995.

Survivors include a daughter, Nita Mize of Wheeler; a brother, Joe B. Griffin of Pampa; a sister, Sarah Loiselle of Salt Lake City, Utah; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

JEWELL CLARK 1916-2002

WEINER, Ark. — Jewell Clark, 85, died Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2002, at Newport, Ark. Services will be at 10 a.m., Wednesday in Union Congregational Church in Nucla,

Colo. Cortez Four Corners Funeral Chapel and Cremation Services, Hale and Gerken Funeral Directors are handling arrangements.

SERVICES TOMORROW

DAWSON, Essie — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.
GRIFFIN, Tony — 2 p.m., Country Chapel Church, Wheeler.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for mostly sunny skies with highs in the lower 80s, and west

winds 10 to 20 mph. Tuesday should be mostly clear with lows in the upper 50s, and south winds 10 to 15 mph. Tuesday should be mostly sunny and breezy. Highs in the middle 80s. South winds

15 to 25 mph. Tuesday night, mostly clear. Lows around 60. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

STATEWIDE

A cool front stalled early Monday across North Texas and threatened to trigger more scattered rainfall around the state.

The front was stationary along a line from Lampasas to Palestine.

To the south, early-morning temperatures were generally in the mid-70s, with mid-60s to lower 70s north of the front.

Extremes were 63 degrees at Marfa and 73 at El Paso.

Skies were mostly cloudy across North Texas overnight. Some sprinkles fell near Gatesville, Killeen, Temple and Waco.

Winds were northerly around 5 mph across the northern areas, with light southerly conditions on the southern side of the stalled front.

A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms was forecast in the Permian Basin, Concho Valley and Edwards Plateau.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Axtelars Grain of Pampa:

Wheat	4.17	NOI	19.17	+0.25
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Soybeans	4.85	Kerr McGee	43.90	+0.32
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		Williams	2.81	+0.01
		McDonalds	21.05	+0.52
		Exxon Mobil	33.93	+0.15
		Atmos	21.70	+0.30
		Pioneer Nat	24.25	+1.26
		Penney's	18.43	+0.13
		Phillips	51.09	+0.86
		Schlumberger	43.10	+0.48
		Tenneco	5.48	+0.18
		CVX	72.80	+0.39
		Wal Mart	54.46	+0.06
		OKI	19.31	+0.19
		NS Group	6.93	+0.22

The following show prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Occidental	28.92	+0.20
Fidelity Magellan	80.65	+0.26
Paritan	15.74	+0.02

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa:

BP	43.27	+0.02
Celanese	19.10	+0.39
Cabot Corp.	23.05	+0.24
Cabot Oil Gas	21.81	+0.29
Coca Cola	49.78	+0.13
New York Gold		NA
Silver		NA
West Texas Crude		NA

Four children die in suburban Dallas house fire

LANCASTER, Texas (AP) — Four children were killed when a fire broke out in their suburban Dallas home, fire officials said.

The fire broke out shortly before 11 p.m. Sunday at a single-story, wood-frame house in southern Dallas County, officials said. Firefighters arrived to find a woman in the front yard. Her four

children were still in the burning house, she told rescuers.

She told of having tried to reach the children in various rooms of the house from the outside, but heat and smoke drove her back. Lancaster Fire Marshall Ladis Barr said.

Firefighters rushed into the burning home and pulled two

children from the master bedroom, where the fire is believed to have started. The Dallas Morning News reported in its online editions Monday. One other youngster was rescued from a nearby bedroom and the fourth from the kitchen. No firefighters were reported injured, the newspaper reported.

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Chamber of Commerce Goldcoats welcome Chamber member Edward Jones Investments with Duane Harp and Sue Garner, center, at their new location, 1921 N. Hobart. Goldcoats are, from left, Neil Fulton, June Beyer, Mary McDaniel, Ralph West, Darville Orr, Lee Waters, Chuck White, Bob Marx and Gladys Vanderpool.



(Courtesy photo)

Chamber of Commerce Goldcoats welcome Chamber member Keller Williams Realty, 110 W. Kingsmill, Sarah Baxter and Linda Daniels, center. Goldcoats are, from left: Bill Hildebrandt, Bob Marx, Darville Orr, Lyndon Field, and Dick Stowers.



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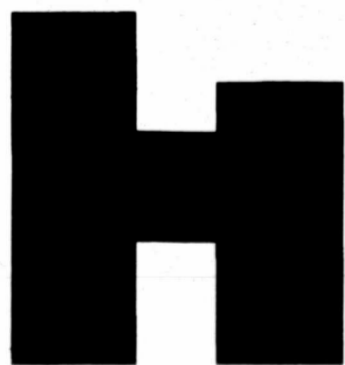
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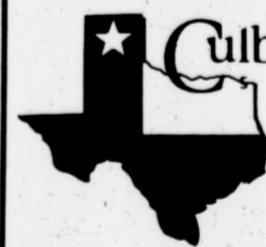
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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Angry Daughter Drives Mother Out of Grandchildren's Lives

DEAR ABBY: I grew up in a home where my father beat my mother and sexually abused me. I am married now and the mother of two beautiful daughters. After my father died three years ago, I learned that my mother had known what he was doing to me and did nothing to protect me.

My husband's family says I should forgive and forget and let my children enjoy their grandmother. I told my kids what she had "allowed," and they now want nothing to do with her. I think a mother should protect her children at all costs. Am I wrong? Don't I have a right to be angry at her?

OUTRAGED IN OMAHA

DEAR OUTRAGED: Unless your mother expresses deep regret for failing to protect you, I see no reason to encourage a relationship with someone who ignored the physical and emotional abuse of her child.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 20-year-old college student in Japan who discovered your column through a class lecture. My instructor is in

love with "Dear Abby" and teaches English by reading aloud letters from the column, followed by a class discussion.

This has allowed me to learn about American culture and customs. Some of the situations described in the letters have been a shock to me, while others are common incidents we also experience in Japan.

Please continue helping men, women and children with your kind and correct advice.

H.N. IN OKINAWA

DEAR H.N.: I'm pleased you enjoy the column and find it helpful. Although there are

many differences in our cultures, it's heartwarming to remember how many things we also have in common.

Your instructor is neither the first nor the only educator to use Dear Abby as a teaching tool. Read on:

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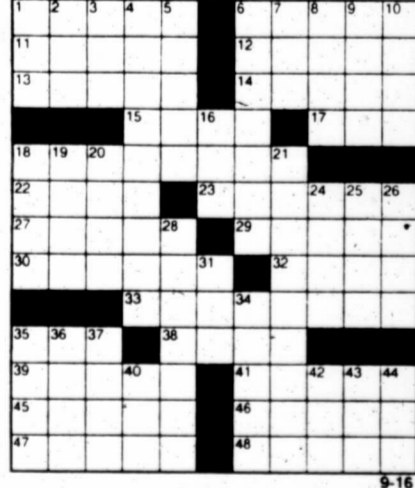
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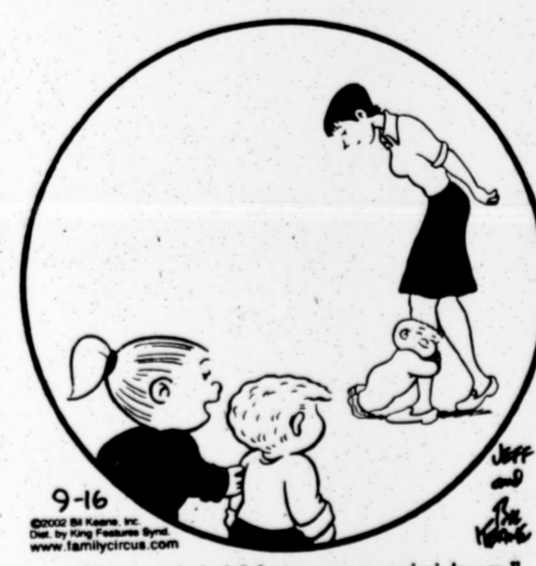
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SPORTS

Carter passes Cowboys past Titans, 21-13

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys did to the old Houston football team what they couldn't do to the new one.

Following a humiliating loss to the expansion Houston Texans in the opener last week, Quincy Carter went 14-of-24 for 240 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Cowboys to a 21-13 win over the Tennessee Titans on Sunday.

The Cowboys looked totally different from the uninspired, sloppy unit that was defeated 19-10 by the gritty Texans last week.

They played with the desperation a team that realized it couldn't afford to start 0-2 for a third straight season with the likes of Philadelphia and St. Louis up next.

"I am proud that we won this one because I know the expectations and the pressure we'd be under if we lost this game," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said. "We needed to win this game for our fans and to help build our confidence."

Dallas (1-1) got a handful of big plays from a defense that didn't produce any against the Texans. An aggressive offense kept the Titans,

formerly the Houston Oilers, off balance.

It was a redeeming performance for Carter, who received much of the blame for the Cowboys' loss. The normally confident second-year quarterback seemed upset by the criticism and was defensive all week.

But if there was any lingering anger or resentment, Carter seemed to let it all go after his second touchdown toss of the game, a 38-yard strike to Joey Galloway in the end zone between two Titans defenders.

Standing on the blue star at midfield, Carter stared up at the hole in the Texas Stadium roof, pointing up with both hands, then practically skipped to the sideline to continue celebrating.

"You've got to have thick skin to be an NFL quarterback," Carter said. "We showed that sometimes the bad can turn into the good."

The Titans (1-1) had been in control the first 2 1/2 quarters despite a mild concussion to quarterback Steve McNair. He ran into an equipment trunk on the Dallas sideline midway through the second quarter.

"It kind of stunned me," McNair

said. "My neck was a little sore, but I was OK after that. It didn't hinder me at all."

He returned for the third quarter with Tennessee leading 10-7. On the second series of the half, McNair threw the game-changing pass when Cowboys safety Darren Woodson hit his arm as he threw.

Linebacker Dexter Coakley, shaken up two plays earlier, caught the wobbly ball and returned it 52 yards for a touchdown, giving Dallas its first lead of the season.

"I felt like a running back," said Coakley, who has scored on four of his nine career interceptions.

The Titans couldn't muster much offense after falling behind by 11, scoring only on Joe Nedney's 52-yard field goal. Tennessee overcame a 14-point deficit in the second half against the Eagles last week.

"They made more plays than we did and that's the bottom line," said Titans running back Eddie George, who was limited to 65 yards on 19 carries.

McNair, who completed nine of his first 10 passes, struggled after returning from his injury. He finished 20-of-

38 for 226 yards with one touchdown. Neil O'Donnell replaced McNair in the second quarter and set up a 37-yard field goal by Nedney on his only series.

Smith had 59 yards, moving him 414 yards from becoming the NFL's career rushing leader. He was stuffed twice on third-and-1. Galloway caught five passes for 88 yards.

Tennessee's Derrick Mason had seven catches for 118 yards for his second straight 100-yard game and sixth in his last nine.

Notes: Tennessee punter Craig Hentrich faked a punt and threw a 17-yard pass to Greg Comella, setting up Nedney's long field goal. ... Larry Allen, Dallas' perennial All-Pro lineman, sprained his left ankle late in the second quarter and returned for only one play. Safety Tony Dixon left in the first quarter with a left hamstring problem. ... Tennessee receiver Kevin Dyson hurt his hamstring, and defensive lineman Robaire Smith hyperextended his elbow. ... Coakley has five career TDs, tying Dennis Thurman for the club record for a defensive player. ... The Titans had won nine straight against the NFC East.

NOTEBOOK

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — Plainview dealt Pampa a 15-8, 8-15, 15-13 setback in a District 3-4A volleyball match Saturday afternoon in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The Lady Harvesters play at Hereford on Tuesday night. Their next home match is Sept. 21 against Palo Duro.

SOCCER

PAMPA — There will be a Harvester Soccer Booster Club meeting at 8:30 Wednesday night in the Ready Room in the PHS athletic fieldhouse.

Final plans are being made for the steak supper and all soccer parents are encouraged to attend.

The all-you-can eat steak supper will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday in the Pampa High cafeteria.

Cost is 12 dollars for adults and six dollars for children 10 and under. Tickets can be purchased from any male or female soccer player, or at the PHS Athletic Office or Randy Dunn at the PHS Ag. Dept.

Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the high school soccer program.

Call 669-4830 if more information is needed.

BOWLING

PAMPA — Youth leagues are now forming at Harvester Lanes in Pampa.

There will be a Peeewe League for ages 3-6. Two games will be bowled. The cost is four dollars per week.

League play will be held on Saturdays, starting at 10:30 a.m.

The Stars and Strikes League will be for ages 7-21. Three games will be bowled each week. Cost will be six dollars per week.

On-site coaching, awards and scholarships will be available.

Call 665-3422 for more information.

AUTO RACING

LOUDON, N.H. (AP) — Ryan Newman wanted nothing more than for the rain to come.

Riding in front of the field under a caution flag, he knew that if the clouds opened he probably would have his first Winston Cup victory.

"We had a little angel floating around in the sky," he said Sunday after winning the rain-shortened New Hampshire 300. "I was like, 'Just please rain. There's no reason why you shouldn't rain right now.'"

The rain did fall, and Newman solidified his credentials as the top young driver in NASCAR. The victory at New Hampshire International Speedway came after consecutive second-place finishes. It was his series-leading 13th top-five finish in 27 races.

Don Miller, who heads Roger Penske's stock car program, expects many more victories from his 24-year-old driver, a Purdue graduate.

"He's one of the best," Miller said. "He's got a lot of traits like other drivers. Like Mark Donohue, he's a real thinker. He's got the tenacity of a Cale Yarborough."

Pirates rout Harrold

LEFORS — The Lefors Pirates rolled up 36 first-half points on the way to a 56-6 victory over Harrold in a six-man game Friday night.

Lefors was led by Willie Hathaway and Andrew Jennings, who scored two touchdowns apiece.

Quarterback John Stamper threw two touchdowns passes to Blake King. Josh Garcia and Josh Jackson each had a touchdown run. Nick Miller had four conversion kicks.

Hathaway led Lefors in rushing with 105 yards.

The unbeaten Pirates improved to 3-0 for the season. The Pirates have an open date this week.

AMARILLO — Groom fell to Bible Heritage 40-12 in six-man action Friday night.

Groom's touchdowns came on a 12-yard run by Doug Fields and a 42-yard run by Calvin Schaffer.

Schaffer led the Tigers in rushing with 102 yards.

Anthony Johnson and Anthony White led Bible Heritage with a pair of touchdowns apiece.

Johnson rushed for two scores and White caught a two TD passes.

Groom hosts Chillicothe at 7:30 Friday night.

Twins clinch AL Central

CLEVELAND (AP) — Rap music shook the walls and beer pooled on Minnesota's clubhouse floor as Torii Hunter plopped down and spun on his back.

Hardly anyone noticed when the speakers momentarily fell silent while someone popped in a new CD.

Suddenly, Steppenwolf's "Magic Carpet Ride" was blaring, a perfect backdrop to the emotional high point of a season the Minnesota Twins almost didn't get to have.

"This," reliever Mike Jackson shouted to the AL Central champions as he hoisted a champagne magnum, "is what it's all about."

The Twins, baseball's smallest-market survivors who were targeted for elimination last November, clinched the division title Sunday with a 5-0 win over Cleveland, last year's division champs.

"Bud Selig couldn't get rid of us," Jacque Jones said during the postgame celebration. "The White Sox couldn't get rid of us. The Cleveland Indians couldn't get rid of us. Here we are, and we're staying."

Kyle Lohse (13-8) pitched six shutout innings Minnesota, which will make its first playoff appearance since 1991. But as usual, nothing came easy Sunday for these Twins.

First, they sat through a 67-minute rain delay. Then, after reducing their magic number to one by winning, the Twins put their postgame party on hold as they waited for the final score of Chicago's game in New York.

"That's what our winter was like," manager Ron Gardenhire

said. "Always waiting." When the second-place White Sox lost 8-4 at Yankee Stadium in a game called by rain, many of the Twins ran into the trainer's room to fetch champagne bottles that had been on ice since Friday.

Jackson, a veteran of postgame celebrations during his years with the Indians, donned swimming goggles and taught a few Twins how to uncork a champagne bottle.

A few Twins raised beer cans to toast Bud, No. not baseball's commissioner.

Hunter, Matt LeCroy and LaTroy Hawkins took turns dancing inside a circle their teammates formed in the middle of the room. Reliever Eddie Guardado, who got the final out, stood near his locker and cried.

"I'm glad I was out there," he said before breaking down.

He wasn't the only Minnesota player choking back tears between swallows of bubbly.

The Twins have been on an emotional roller coaster since the day last November that Selig announced his intentions of shutting down two franchises.

"We're the team that had to go through contraction," Denny Hocking said. "It might be sweeter than this, but right now I don't know how it could be."

Hocking hit a two-run single in the seventh and LeCroy had a sacrifice fly for the Twins, who had hoped to celebrate on the infield at Jacobs Field.

"We wanted to have a pile-on," first baseman Doug Mientkiewicz said. "Maybe we can do that somewhere else."

Rodeo Club officers



Pampa High School Rodeo Club officers for 2002-2003 are (front row, l-r) Codi Wisdom, president and queen; Jamie Schroeder, secretary, and Chassey Oxley, historian; (back row, l-r) Michael Shaw, first vice-president; Byron Light, second vice-president, and Cody Lee, treasurer. The PHS Rodeo Club will host a Tri-State High School Rodeo Sept. 28 in the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena. Starting time is 10 a.m.

Notre Dame climbs in AP poll

By The Associated Press

Trying to return to its glory days, Notre Dame nearly returned to the Top 10.

With a 25-23 victory over Michigan, the Fighting Irish (3-0) climbed eight spots to No. 12 in the latest Associated Press Top 25 poll released Sunday.

The Irish, under new coach Tyrone Willingham, last cracked the AP's Top 10 at No. 10 in the 2000 final regular season poll. Then came the 41-9 Fiesta Bowl loss to Oregon State, and Notre Dame finished No. 15.

While the top six teams remained unchanged from last week — Miami was a near unanimous choice at No. 1 — the Irish led a reshuffling of the rest of the Top 25.

Southern California (2-0) defeated Colorado 40-3 on Saturday and moved up six places to No. 11. Penn State, a

40-7 winner over Nebraska, jumped back into the poll at No. 15.

There were quite a few tumbles, too. Michigan, No. 7 last week, dropped to No. 14. Nebraska, eighth a week ago, fell to No. 18.

Besides Penn State, newcomers this week are California at No. 23 after its 46-22 win over Michigan State, Iowa State at No. 21 and Kansas State at No. 25.

Dropping out were Michigan State, Marshall, Colorado and Colorado State.

Marshall lost to Virginia Tech 47-21 last Thursday night. The Hokies moved up from 11th to seventh this week.

Miami received 68 of the 74 first-place votes and 1,844 points from the sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. Oklahoma was No. 2, followed by Texas, Tennessee, Florida State and Ohio State.

The USA Today/ESPN coaches poll also ranked Notre Dame 12th, with Miami still No. 1.

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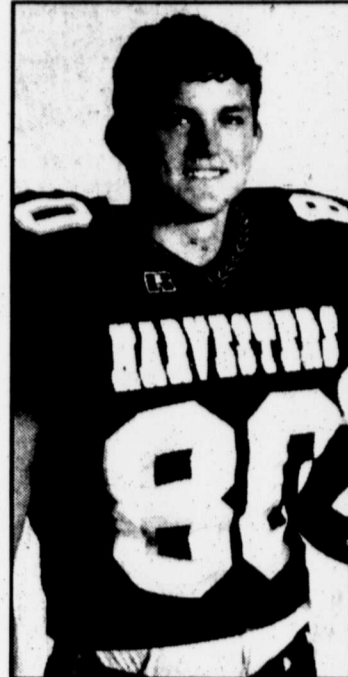
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Players of the week



(Courtesy photos)

The Pampa football coaching staff named John Braddock (14, offense); Zack Cobb (4, defense), and Ryan Zemanek (80, special teams); as players of the week after their performances against Lubbock Estacado. The Harvesters won by the score of 47-13.

Weather delay doesn't slow OU

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Third-ranked Oklahoma made Texas-El Paso wish the thunderstorms had never let up.

The Sooners got several big plays on both sides of the ball, including two interception returns for touchdowns, in a 68-0 victory Saturday night that included a 51-minute weather delay. Nate Hybl threw for 278 yards and two touchdowns and Quentin Griffin had 108 yards rushing and two TDs as Oklahoma (3-0) won by its widest margin since a 73-3 victory over New Mexico State in 1989.

Play was stopped late in the first quarter with Oklahoma leading 14-0. After the break, which allowed thunderstorms to pass through, the Sooners scored 24 second-quarter points and kept on rolling.

"That's what I said to the team — I didn't care who we were playing this week, the bottom line is we needed to execute, have better concentration and play to our potential," coach Bob Stoops said.

No. 3 Oklahoma: 3-0. UTEP: 1-2.

No. 2 Texas 52, North Carolina 21

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Texas coach Mack Brown tried not to make a big deal out of returning to North Carolina for the first time as an opposing coach. His players didn't listen.

Chris Simms threw four touchdown passes and Cedric Benson rushed for 208 yards and two scores as the second-ranked Longhorns defeated North Carolina 52-21 Saturday.

"Of course it was something special with him coaching here and doing great things here," Benson said. "We called this one the 'Mack Bowl.' We were determined. We owed it to him."

Roy Williams had five catches for 136 yards and two touchdowns for the Longhorns (2-0), who jumped to a 24-point first-half lead and answered every spurt by the Tar Heels (1-2).

No. 2 Texas: 2-0. North Carolina: 1-2.

Texas Tech 42, Mississippi 28

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — On a day when Texas Tech's Kliff Kingsbury became the Big 12's career leading passer, it was fitting that he put the finishing touches on a 42-28 victory over Mississippi on Saturday.

The Rebels (2-1) rallied from a 21-point deficit to cut the score to 35-28 in the fourth quarter.

Then Kingsbury answered with an 84-yard drive for Tech (2-1), capped by a 5-yard touchdown pass to Nehemiah Glover with 3:21 left.

Kingsbury completed 25 of 38 passes for 270 yards to take his career yards to 8,392 yards. He passed Texas' Major Applewhite, who had 8,353, for the conference mark.

"It's a great honor," Kingsbury said. "I passed a guy I've looked up to for a long time, in Major Applewhite. I'm sure someone else will break it, but it's a big honor."

Tech scored on offense, defense and special teams to hand Mississippi its first loss in 25 nonconference games.

Texas Tech: 2-1. Mississippi: 2-1.

New Mexico 23, Baylor 0

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — New Mexico's best defensive effort in nearly 20 years was tarnished by what may end up being the biggest loss of the season.

New Mexico's blitz-happy defense forced three fumbles and held Baylor to 107 total yards — 32 in the first half — and beat the Bears 23-0 Saturday night.

But it was a costly win for New Mexico (2-2), which may have to go the rest of the season without senior running back Quincy Wright. Wright, the nation's third leading rusher with an average of 158.3 yards a game, left late in the first quarter with a possible torn ligament in his left knee and spent the rest of the game on crutches.

Wright was scheduled to have an MRI on Sunday.

"That was the saddest part of the whole game," said New Mexico coach Rocky Long. "It puts a damper on the victory because Quincy is such a class kid. He was having such a great year ... and I know this going to hurt us."

New Mexico: 2-2. Baylor: 1-2.

No. 11 USC 40, Colorado 3

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — Southern California quarterback Carson Palmer believes his team can play a lot better. Colorado hopes not.

Palmer passed for 244 yards and a touchdown and ran for another score as No. 11 Southern California embarrassed Colorado 40-3 Saturday.

Malae'ou Ma'Kenzie had a pair of first-quarter touchdowns, and Sultan McCullough ran for 110 yards and a TD as the Trojans (2-0) generated 425 yards. Short-handed Colorado (1-2) had a meager 61 total yards and four first downs.

"So many things worked so well for us," Trojans coach Pete Carroll said. "I think we handled the environment, we handled the altitude. We ran the football like we haven't in a while. Defensively, we didn't let them get into a rhythm. I'm glad we could get some focus and play a complete football game."

"We were just awful," Colorado coach Gary Barnett said. "I don't know what else to say. We were doubly awful on offense and just awful on defense."

No. 11 Southern California: 2-0. Colorado: 1-2.

No. 15 Penn St. 40, No. 18 Nebraska 7

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — After two years of losing records, Joe Paterno and No. 15 Penn State are back in a big way.

Larry Johnson and Michael Robinson had two touchdowns apiece and Rich Gardner turned his first career interception into a TD as the Nittany Lions routed No. 18 Nebraska 40-7 Saturday night.

Paterno, who has more major-college wins than any other coach, got No. 329 in front of a record crowd of 110,753. It was the Nittany Lions' first victory over a top-10 team since Sept. 18, 1999, when they beat eighth-ranked Miami 27-23.

Penn State had two lean seasons after that, going 5-6 and then 5-7 — Paterno's first consecutive losing records in his long career. But with this one victory, the Nittany Lions showed their 75-year-old coach how much they have improved.

"I think this put us right back on the map and opened a lot of eyes," said Bryant Johnson, who had eight receptions for 147 yards.

No. 15 Penn St.: 2-0. No. 18 Nebraska: 3-1.

Iowa St. 36, Iowa 31

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Seneca Wallace passed for 361 yards, threw for a score and ran for another as Iowa State rallied to beat Iowa 36-31 Saturday night.

Iowa State (3-1) scored three touchdowns in the first 10 1/2 minutes of the second half and added a safety to erase Iowa's 24-7 halftime lead and beat the Hawkeyes for the fifth straight time.

Iowa (2-1) lost three fumbles in the second half, all of them leading to Iowa State points, and also lost two key players.

Fred Russell, who had rushed for 133 yards in 15 carries and scored on a 46-yard run, went out early in the second half with a bruised left shoulder. All-Big Ten safety Bob Sanders left later in the half with an undetermined foot injury.

Iowa St.: 3-1. Iowa: 2-1.

Bowling Green 51, Missouri 28

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio (AP) — Josh Harris passed for 311 yards, caught a touchdown pass and had two short scoring runs to lead Bowling Green to a 51-28 victory over Missouri on Saturday night.

Wide receiver Cole Magner threw two scoring passes for the Falcons (2-0), who put up 577 yards of offense. Robert Redd caught 10 passes for 209 yards and a touchdown for Bowling Green, and James Hawkins had five catches for 112 yards.

Brad Smith was 28-of-50 for 334 yards, two touchdowns and an interception for the Tigers (2-1). Justin Gage caught a Missouri-record 16 passes for 236 yards and a touchdown.

Angels beat Rangers to take sole possession of first place

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — For the first time this season, the Anaheim Angels have first place all to themselves.

With Troy Glaus hitting three homers and tying a career high with six RBIs, the Angels defeated the Texas Rangers 13-4 Sunday night.

The Angels also got a lift from Chone Figgins, who made his first big league start because second baseman Adam Kennedy had the flu. Figgins got his first hit and RBI with an eighth-inning single against Rangers reliever Aaron Mayette.

This was the Angels' sixth straight victory and 16th in 17 games. Anaheim broke the 1982 club record of 93 wins.

The Angels lead the Athletics by a game in the AL West and begin a four-game series and 10-game road trip on Monday at Oakland. They took the last three games of a four-game set from the A's earlier in the week at Edison Field.

"I think Oakland's got the best team in the American League," Texas shortstop Alex Rodriguez said. "But Anaheim, as hot as they are right now, they can beat anyone. They need to ride that wave right into the postseason and not cool off before then."

Glaus became the second

player in franchise history with three straight 100-RBI seasons. This was the first time he hit three homers in a game.

"We won the game," he said. "That's what we came here to do. That's all we can ask."

Figgins, for one, was impressed.

"It's a great honor to be around to see somebody hit three home runs — and be in the starting lineup when he did it," said Figgins, whose first name is pronounced Shawn. "I think the manager for letting me get in the lineup to get that hit."

It was up to bench coach Joe Maddon to decide who would receive as a memento the large lineup card posted on the dugout wall. He left it in Figgins' locker — right next to Glaus' — because he knew the rookie would appreciate it more.

Glaus hit a solo homer off Kenny Rogers (13-8) in the fifth inning, a two-run shot off Jay Powell in the seventh and a three-run drive against Juan Alvarez in the eighth to increase his RBI total to 101 and his home run total to 27.

Glaus hit 41 homers last season after leading the AL with 47 the year before.

"We've been waiting for Troy to come alive," manager Mike Scioscia said. "He's shown glimpses of it, and

tonight he gave us a big lift."

Ramon Ortiz (14-9) won his fifth straight decision, allowing four runs and five hits in seven innings. Among the hits was Ivan Rodriguez's 17th homer. Ortiz struck out six and improved his career record against Texas to 9-1.


Rogers allowed seven runs — five earned — and six hits in five innings, including back-to-back homers by Glaus and Scott Spiezio in the fifth. The left-hander is 9-9 with a 4.73 ERA in 25 starts against the Angels since pitching a perfect game against them on July 28, 1994.

Notes: Glaus was the 10th player in Angels history to homer three times in a game, and the first since Dave Winfield did it on April 13, 1991, at Minnesota. ... Glaus' 25 career homers against the Rangers are the most he's hit against any opponent. ... The Rangers committed three errors during Anaheim's five-run first inning — after making only one in their previous 10 games. ... Angels SS David Eckstein was out with a hip flexor and LF Garret Anderson was sidelined by a strained right hamstring. ... The Rangers lead the majors with 218 home runs and have hit at least one in 32 of 33 games and 17 straight on the road.

Scoreboard

Scoreboard table containing baseball and football results, including columns for teams, scores, and game details.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***** Take charge in the morning. You get more done than you can imagine. A meeting adds to your resources, as you find other like minds. Brainstorm and add to your many different options. Schedule time for a friend in the late afternoon. Tonight: Just don't be alone.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** Reach out for those at a distance, sharing more of your caring and feelings. Find experts at work, whether through conversation or on the Internet. You need more facts, and you need them quickly. Take charge in the p.m. Tonight: Work as late as need be.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Handle people individually if you want success, whether dealing with personal or professional matters. A long lunch might help you loosen up an

uptight associate. Detach, do research and seek out new types of solutions. Tonight: Hop on your computer. Rent a movie.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** Others will find you, don't worry. You easily could feel overwhelmed, as so many requests come in. Schedule time with an associate this afternoon. If possible, divvy up work or delegate as much as you can. Be more open. Tonight: Togetherness works.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Quickly dig into work before the social butterflies in the office find you. If possible, screen calls as you attempt to get the job done. Schedule a late lunch or meeting to network and catch up on others' news. Let others call the shots. Tonight: Say "yes."
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Your imagination takes the lead at work and at home. Use your enormous ingenuity constructively. Curb a tendency to indulge a special friend or child when you need to work. By late afternoon, you see the enormity of what lies ahead. Tonight: Go for a stress-buster.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** You accomplish a lot from your home if given the chance. You also discover that you have a lot to do. Dig right in. Schedule the more pleasurable parts of your work for later in the day. Screen calls, if possible. A child or loved one knocks on your door. Tonight: Enjoy a loved one.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Set a precedent. Discuss what needs to happen with associates. Your sense of organization carries you quite far. Know what you want and make plans to get it. A parent or other family member needs your attention. Tonight: Relax at home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Move carefully when dealing with a child or a domestic matter. You aren't changing anyone anyway. Laugh and play along with loved ones, but don't forget other obligations. Use the afternoon to clear out messages and calls and to get work done. Tonight: Out and about.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Put your best foot forward, and you'll get results. Do nothing halfway right now. Carefully consider options that involve finances. Others appear to be more than willing to work with you. Ask for more of what you want. Tonight: Give up being shy!
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Don't make a statement until you're good and sure of yourself. Review a personal matter with a car. Let a loved one have more of a say. Learn to work more as a team. Success will greet you as a result. You emerge this morning as a force to encounter, once you clear the decks. Tonight: Be yourself.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Use the morning to move key projects. You might not like the reaction you get. Consider what is happening with a dear friend. If you cannot get this person to talk right away, you might feel as if you failed. You didn't. Give this person space. Tonight: Do something just for yourself.

BORN TODAY
Magician David Copperfield (1956), actor Peter Falk (1927), actress Madeline Zima (1985) *****

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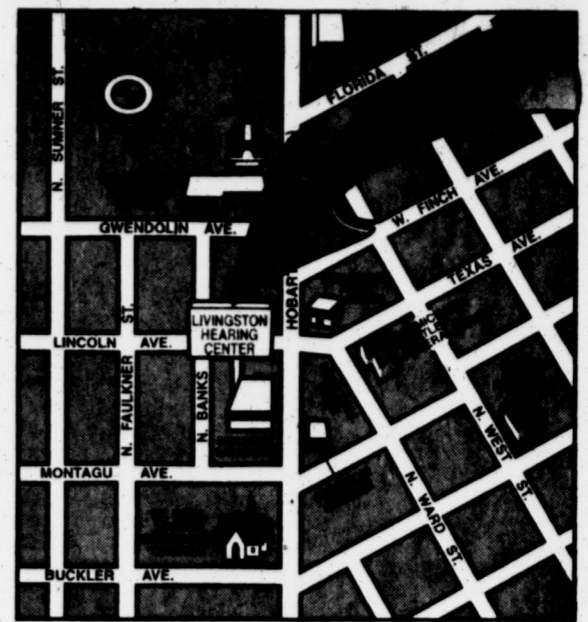


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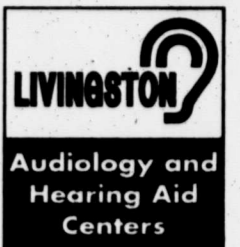


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and were charged with providing material support and resources to foreign terrorist organizations. The judge entered a not guilty plea for each and ordered the men jailed until a detention hearing Wednesday.

The criminal complaint said the five men — Shafal Mosed, 24; Faysal Galab, 26; Sahim Alwan, 29; Yasein Taher, 24; and Yahya Goba, 25 — live within a few blocks of each other in Lackawanna and trained together at a camp in Afghanistan.

Battle would not comment on specifics of the investigation that led to their arrests.

"What essentially happened is that information came to our attention that pointed us in the direction of these individuals," Battle said.

He said communications and other activities surrounding the cell increased this month.

Federal authorities who announced the arrests said bin Laden lectured them while they were in Kandahar, Afghanistan.

The men came home to Lackawanna, 5 miles south of Buffalo on the shore of Lake Erie, in June 2001. Federal agents said they had no information the cell was planning an attack in the United States. Four of the men were arrested Friday and a fifth was arrested Saturday.

"At this point in time, we're not sure they have in fact committed a crime, regardless of any conduct they might have been engaged in," James Harrington, a lawyer for Alwan, told CNN.

FBI agent Peter Ahearn said Saturday that the group amounted to an al-Qaida-trained cell.

"They worked together, they socialized together, they lived within blocks of each other," Ahearn said. "It's a trained group of individuals that were trained in Afghanistan."

Officials said the discovery of the cell was connected to information that also prompted the Bush administration to raise America's terror alert to "code orange" — the second-highest — on the eve of the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks.

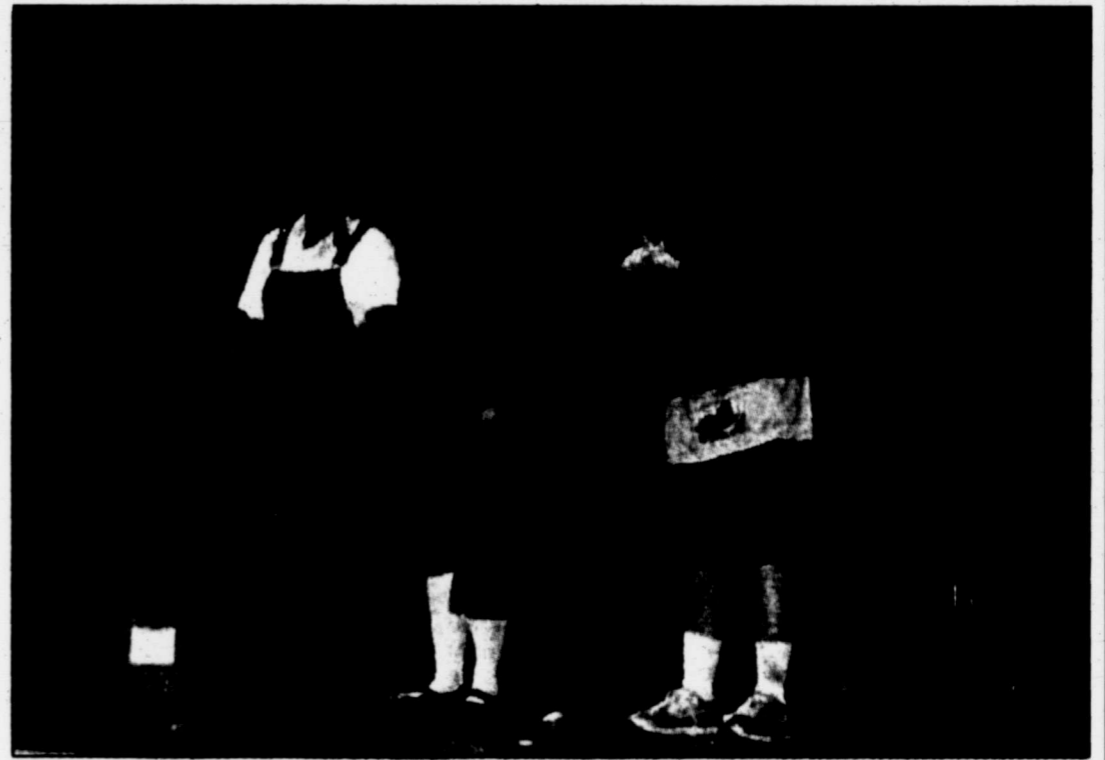
FBI agent Edward Needham wrote in the criminal complaint that unindicted coconspirators told him Goba, Alwan, Mosed and Taher attended al-Qaida's al-Farooq terror training camp near Kandahar.

At the camp, the men were lectured on "Jihad (holy war), prayers and justification for using suicide as a weapon," according to Needham's affidavit.

It was the same camp John Walker Lindh attended, but officials would not say if Lindh assisted with the investigation. U.S. authorities hope to soon arrest coconspirators, Battle said Sunday. He said the three, who were not identified, are not in the United States but are American citizens.

Battle spoke before the arrest in Bahrain was made public, and it was not immediately clear whether Bakri was one of the three unindicted coconspirators. Battle did not immediately return a call seeking further comment Monday.

What big eyes you have!



(Courtesy photo)

Storybook Theater presented "Little Red Riding Hood" to local elementary schools as well as several surrounding elementary schools. The presentation combined theater, puppetry, and song to bring a valuable lesson to the students. "Little Red Riding Hood," part of Storybook Theater's series called "Character Counts," teaches students about friendship, honesty, responsibility, and keeping the environment safe for everyone. The performances were funded in part through grants from the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Powell resuming lobbying effort at United Nations

WASHINGTON (AP) — As Secretary of State Colin Powell resumed talks on Iraq with U.N. Security Council members on Monday, President Bush said the world doesn't need to know how close Saddam Hussein is to building a nuclear weapon before facing him down.

OPINION

and dissolve it as a corporation. We'll give them a dissolution plan."

Phillips added, "I think it will help bring some cohesion to Pampa."

Pampa City Commissioner Bob Dixon said he has not read the AG opinion, except for what was in the newspaper on Friday.

"I have no objection to them selling anything," said Dixon. "I just don't want them to sell property that Celanese doesn't want them to sell."

When asked if he thought the Pampa City Commission and PEDC Board of Directors would sit down together and talk since the AG opinion has come in, he responded, "About what?"

The reporter said to work out the communication problems between the two entities and a dissolution plan he responded, "Why?"

POLE

from four states gathered at their school flag poles to pray for fellow students and their schools.

One student said, "Through prayer our hearts begin to beat with God's heart."

"See You at the Pole" is now an international event involving millions.

Bush, in a speech in Davenport, Iowa, issued a fresh challenge to the United Nations to prove its relevancy by showing resolve against the Iraqi leader, who Bush attempted to link to the al-Qaida terrorists behind last year's Sept. 11 attacks.

The war on terror is more than hunting down al-Qaida, Bush said. "It also means dealing with true and real threats that we can foresee. One of the most dangerous threats America faces is a terrorist network teaming up with some of the world's worst leaders who develop the world's worst weapons."

While Powell headed back

to New York to continue the groundwork for a Security Council resolution against Iraq, Bush told Iowans that with or without the United Nations, "if Iraq's regime continues to defy us and the world (the United States) will move deliberately yet decisively to hold Iraq to account."

Bush also addressed skeptics who want proof of Saddam's nuclear ambitions: "We must anticipate. You know somebody said, 'Well you know they don't have a nuclear weapon.' The most dangerous thing — we know they're trying to get one — the most dangerous thing would be to find out they had a nuclear weapon after they

developed one."

Members of Congress, whom Bush has also asked for a declaration against Iraq, are split on whether it is wise to act within Powell's timetable of four weeks on an as-yet undefined resolution on Iraq. There were signs of a possible stalemate before November's congressional elections.

"We don't know what this administration wants to do," Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle said Sunday on ABC's "This Week." He said President Bush had yet to ask for a resolution on Iraq.

Bush's national security adviser, Condoleezza Rice, countered: "Obviously, it is up

to the Congress to offer resolutions, not to the administration."

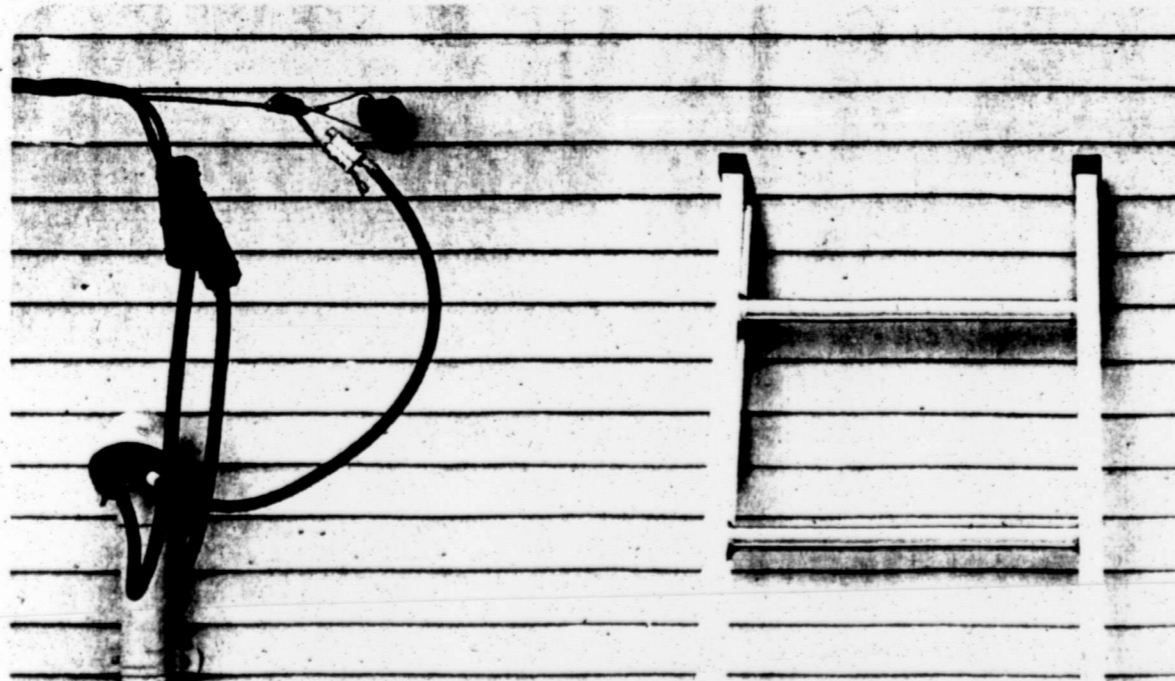
Several leading lawmakers made clear they will consider such resolutions on their own schedule.

Daschle was noncommittal on whether Congress could pass such a resolution before Election Day, saying only that it was possible. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said it would help Bush if Congress acted before its planned mid-October recess.

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., agreed with that timetable but said the resolution should not necessarily authorize force against Iraq.

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