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Choirs to present annual variety show

PAMPA — An evening of song, dance and comedy will be presented by Pampa High School Choral Department during its annual Variety Show at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, May 22, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Admission is \$3. Proceeds will benefit the entire department.

STATE

Neighbors to care for dentist's children

HOUSTON (AP) — Clara Harris says her former neighbors are well suited to raise her 4-year-old twin boys. Harris, a dentist convicted of murder for running over her orthodontist husband David with her Mercedes-Benz last summer, spoke in an interview with the Houston Chronicle that was published in Tuesday's editions.

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Duncan assists with water regs

By DAVID BOWSER
MANAGING EDITOR

Sen. Robert Duncan, who represents Pampa, passed legislation through the Texas Senate this month that clarifies the process for ground water permit applications and rule making.

Senate Bill 738 prescribes a notice and hearing process for ground water conservation districts, Duncan said, and it allows a district to use alternative dispute resolution procedures instead of going straight to court for challenges to the permit.

"We worked with Sen. Duncan on this bill," said C.E. Williams, executive director of the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District headquartered in White Deer. "There were several amendments that go put on it, but overall we think it's a good bill. It would help clarify the hearings procedures to where we don't get into quite such a convoluted process as we did with the Mesa permit."

Last year, after Mesa submitted an application to pump water from the Roberts County land they hold, the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority protested Mesa's permit. The resulting process, which had never been tested in the state before, involved bringing in a state district judge and extensive legal fees.

Williams said he hopes the new legislation that now has to go to the House of Representatives will smooth

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out the procedural problems the district faced last year.

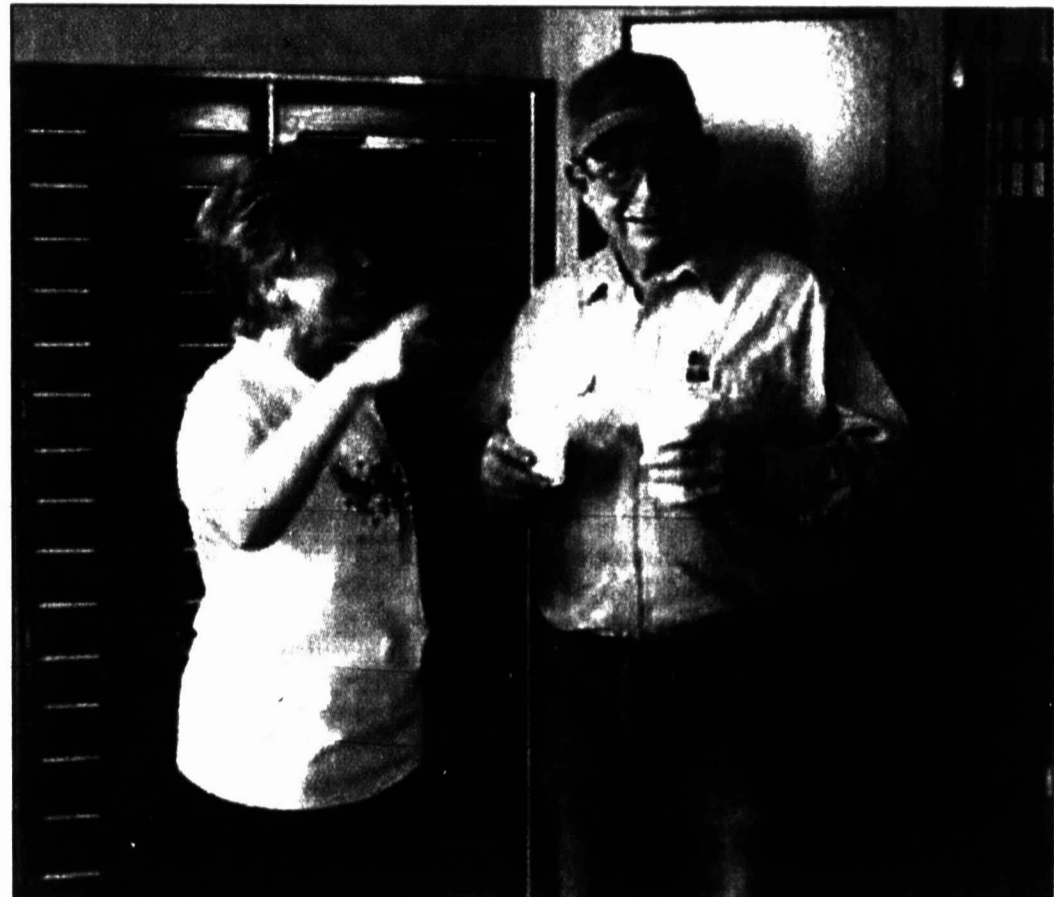
"It should make that process clearer and more manageable for both the district and the applicant," Williams said.

Under Texas water law as it now stands the code does not adequately outline the notice and hearing procedure that ground water districts must follow, Duncan said.

There are more than 90 ground water districts in Texas, and each has its own interpretation of the notice and hearing process.

"Having a process set in law for ground water permit application and rule-making is critical toward streamlining the application process for both the landowners who want to drill water wells and the ground water conservation districts that govern those activities," Duncan said. "The current lack of procedure can make the application and rule-making process a difficult and frustrating exercise that the Legislature should rectify."

Movin' back in



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser) County Clerk Susan Winborne and County Commissioner Joe Wheeley discuss the location of equipment in the newly restored offices in the courthouse. Courthouse offices are closed this week as county employees are moving back into their offices. Offices in the courthouse will be open for business on Tuesday, May 27.

HOME of the BRAVE



Sgt. Lance Logue

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Panhandle sunrise



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

A gorgeous sunrise greeted travelers Tuesday morning from a roadside park in Carson County.

Early voting in mayor's race heavy, Jeffers says

By NANCY YOUNG
MAXWELL EDITOR

Participation in early voting in the City of Pampa mayor's race scheduled for May 20, which has been "very heavy," Pampa City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers said Tuesday morning. A total of 364 voters have cast ballots through Monday, she said.

During the four hours the polls were open on Sunday, 109 voters took advantage of the week-end early voting, Jeffers said. Voting was brisk from the time the polls opened at 9 a.m. until they closed at 4 p.m.

It was steady, she said. "We never slowed down." Incumbent Mayor Tommy Robb and his challenger, Jeff

Jeffers is an incumbent mayor who has served two terms in the office. Robb, who held the office for 13 years, is running for re-election. Jeffers said she expects to see a high turnout on Tuesday, May 20, as voters head to the polls. She said she expects to see a high turnout on Tuesday, May 20, as voters head to the polls. She said she expects to see a high turnout on Tuesday, May 20, as voters head to the polls.

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FBI says al-Qaida attacks in U.S. possible following Saudi bombings

WASHINGTON (AP) — The car-bombings in Saudi Arabia last week indicates the al-Qaida terrorist network remains active and could launch new attacks in the United States, the FBI is warning.

Not only that, the terrorist organization also could hit U.S. and Western targets overseas, the bureau said in an advisory to state and local law enforcement agencies.

The bombings of Western residential compounds in Riyadh show that al-Qaida "remains active and highly capable," the FBI bulletin said.

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer, asked, about this Tuesday, said "chatter" picked up by U.S. agencies suggested new attacks were possible.

"We've seen this before and we want to do everything we can to be vigilant," Fleischer said on NBC's "Today" program.

The federal alert status remained unchanged at "yellow," an elevated level, but one that is in the mid-range of the five-tier warning scale below orange and red.

A spokeswoman at the Department of Homeland Security said Tuesday there were no plans to raise the domestic terror alert level. U.S. counterterrorism officials have said the bulk of the intelligence on al-Qaida operations points to possible strikes overseas.

The U.S. intelligence community "assesses that attacks against U.S. and Western targets overseas are likely; attacks in the United States cannot be ruled out," said the FBI bulletin, which was described to The Associated Press Monday by federal law enforcement officials on condition of anonymity.

The FBI is assisting Saudi authorities in the investigation of the bombings on three Saudi housing compounds that killed 34 people, including eight Americans. Al-Qaida also is suspected in another series of bomb attacks Friday in Casablanca, Morocco, that killed 41 people.

The bulletin says the Saudi attacks featured "traditional hallmarks of al-Qaida oper-

ations" such as precise planning, surveillance and coordination among several teams. Each bombing involved a sedan followed by a truck or sport utility vehicle laden with explosives, with gunmen used to attack guards and overcome security measures.

These tactics show that al-Qaida has "a highly refined approach to suicide bombings" that show an increased capability when compared with, for example, the 1998 truck bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

The FBI says the attacks also show that al-Qaida appears to be adapting its target list to so-called "soft targets" that are more lightly guarded than government or military installations. The FBI has warned before that terrorists could strike apartment buildings, hotels, restaurants and businesses.

Similar attacks blamed on al-Qaida include the October 2002 bombing of a nightclub district in Bali, Indonesia, which killed almost 200 people, and the suicide bombings of an Israeli-owned beach hotel in Kenya, which killed 12. In the Kenya attack, two missiles narrowly missed an airliner carrying Israeli vacationers.

"Further, these attacks suggest that al-Qaida may be deterred by enhancing security and changes in the security countermeasures adopted by potential targets," the bulletin said.

The FBI bulletin was sent to law enforcement agencies on Friday. Officials said Monday they have no credible information about a specific threat from al-Qaida, nor has anything occurred since the bulletin was issued indicating any attack was imminent.

State and local police are urged to redouble their vigilance, especially for indications that operatives may be carrying out surveillance or attempting to acquire explosives or detonation devices. The FBI has previously warned that al-Qaida members could pose as tourists, homeless people or artists in carrying out surveillance.

All Night Party Committee



(Courtesy photo)

Drug Free/Alcohol Free All Night Senior Party Committee members are busy stuffing bags of play money in preparation for the May 31st event. Above: (left-right) Becky Holmes, Kim Hill, Renee Brown, Kevin Wade, Doretta Gerber, Anita Harp, and Jeanna Miller. Donations can still be made by contacting Renee Brown at 665-0618, Pam Zemanek at 665-6347, and Doretta Gerber at 669-3523.

Report: Sexual content on major networks down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Major broadcast networks — ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox — are showing less sexual content on television, particularly during the first two hours of prime time, a TV watchdog group said Tuesday.

There was a decrease in sexual content during family hour — 8 to 9 p.m. — on every broadcast network but the WB, and every network but the WB and UPN has decreased sexual content during the second hour of prime time, according to the Parents Television Council's "State of the Industry" report released Tuesday.

The study analyzed all prime-time entertainment programming on ABC, CBS, Fox, NBC, UPN and the WB from the first two weeks of the 1998, 2000, 2002 November sweeps periods, for a total of 400 hours.

Viewership levels during the ultra-competitive sweeps periods in November, February and May are used by local broadcast affiliates and cable systems to set ad rates and make program deci-

sions. Networks tend to concentrate blockbuster — and sometimes racy — programming during these periods to generate maximum ratings.

"For years, conventional wisdom in Hollywood had it that 'sex sells,' and therefore, more of it, the better," said L. Brent Bozell III, council president. "But ratings data and survey results prove that's not true." The nonpartisan

council advocates less sex and violence on television.

CBS spokesman Chris Ender said there is no explanation for the dip in sexual content on the network.

"Chastity is not a strategy at CBS," he said. "We haven't given producers any directive to reduce sexual content. When we do present sexual content, we aim to do it in a responsible way."

Employee of the Month



(Courtesy photo)

Officer Philip Hulsey, Correctional Officer III, has worked for the Jordan Unit for two years. He was recently selected as the Jordan/Baten Unit's "May 2003" Employee of the Month. He considers the best part of his job as being able to assist his fellow officers and supervisors in providing safety and security throughout the unit. Officer Hulsey's goal is to promote and gain as much knowledge and experience as possible. His hobbies include fishing, listening to music and being a proud member of Amarillo Championship Wrestling. Officer Hulsey is originally from Pampa but resides in Amarillo. He is pictured here with Assistant Warden Joe Nunn.

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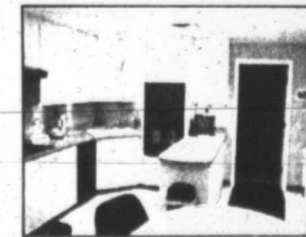
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"A low point in the 152-year history of the newspaper." That's how The New York Times last week referred to the massive journalistic fraud committed by one of its reporters, Jayson Blair, who has now resigned: "He fabricated comments. He concocted scenes. He lifted materials from other newspapers and wire services." At least half of his articles since last October had something rotten in them. New inaccuracies turned up daily in the almost 700 articles Blair wrote during his four years with the Times.



MARVIN OLASKY
COLUMNIST

Blair's productivity — he placed an average of seven articles every 10 work days — was too good to be true. Some commentators have said that Blair was hired, promoted and protected by Times executives because he is black, but he is a good writer (of fiction if not fact), and good writers are hard to find.

For example, here's a recent lead: "Sara Thompson had finally been able to get some rest after hours of tossing and turning. Then, she recalls, she rolled over and saw her husband tucked under the white covers beside her, and she began to cry. He was not really there or anywhere in their two-story white town house just outside Camp Lejeune. He was 6,500 miles away in the desert of Iraq."

Editors like to trust good writers, although the Times went to an extreme last fall when Blair landed a front-page exclusive about the D.C. sniper suspect based on purported interviews with five unidentified law enforcement sources; editors did not ask him to identify any of those sources. Nor did they check his

expense account filings (or sometimes lack of filings) that would have shown he wrote some stories from distant states without ever leaving home.

Times spokesmen acknowledged some responsibility and an organizational lack of communication among editors, but they cast blame largely on "a troubled young man veering toward professional self-destruction." Venerable Times columnist William Safire defended his employer and suggested that the Blair affair is allowing conservative critics to practice schadenfreude, what Germans call "the guilty pleasure one secretly takes in another's suffering." That's clever and it might be true, except that the influence of the Times is such that when it fails, millions of innocent people suffer.

In the early 1930s, for example, Times Moscow correspondent Walter Duranty helped Joseph Stalin cover up a Soviet extermination campaign that claimed millions of lives, mostly in the Ukraine — and when other reporters told the truth, Duranty libeled them. In the late 1960s, the Times beat the pro-abortion drum so loudly that the Supreme

Court began to listen, and the cost was many more millions of lives.

Blair's misconduct was spectacular, but no one died because of it, so the Times has certainly had many lower points in the 152 years since Henry Raymond, a conservative Christian, founded it.

If Times executive editor Howell Raines wants to restore reader trust, he could begin by supporting the efforts of Ukrainians who want the Pulitzer Prize board to revoke its award to Duranty seven decades ago. The Times could tell the truth about abortionists, as it did during the 1870s. Raines could work to diversify the newsroom by adding biblical evangelicals and orthodox Jews likely to produce stories that have a firmer foundation than just snappy prose.

Raines, in setting up a committee to address what went wrong in the Blair affair, stipulated that the committee would include members from outside the newspaper. Here's a challenge, Mr. Raines: If your statement that "we have nothing to hide" is more than public relations smoke, include as outside-the-newspaper members experienced journalists like William Proctor (author of *The Gospel According to The New York Times*) or Russ Braley (author of *Bad News: The Foreign Policy of The New York Times*).

Maybe the Times will listen to its critics and find ways to rebound from not only this public relations disaster but from disasters that devastated the public.

Opinions expressed on this page do not necessarily reflect the views of *The Pampa News*.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Many anti-war protests actually anti-American ...

To the editor,
 Liberal supported anti-war demonstrations were way out of bounds. They claimed First Amendment rights as protection for their antics. The First Amendment says they have the right to free speech, verbal and written, and to peaceable assembly. Nothing is said about damaging and destroying public and private property, hindrance of other citizens going about their own affairs and businesses through force and intimidation. Oh, my mistake, liberal federal activist judges granted them these rights.

The more active organizations in the demonstrations were: Not in our Name (NION), ACT Now to Stop War and End Racism (ANSWER), Earth Liberation Front (ELF), Animal Liberation Front (ALF). The overriding desire of these organizations is to establish a socialist regime in America.

Financial support for these organizations is reported to come from America's liberal foundations, individuals, and organizations, communist nations worldwide, along with terrorist groups and other nations. Many foreign students enrolled in our colleges helped organize and promote demonstrations on our campuses.

These organizations and their supporters were not interested in stopping the war. Their actions and words were not anti-war, they were anti-American. They wanted to prolong the war, with excessive loss of American lives (as predicted by American liberals in the press, on television, and individual comments.) They wanted America to lose the war, causing political upheaval here at home.

The Federal Government must take the same steps against these organizations as with Al-Qaeda terrorists. Their intent is the same: Destruction of our system of government.

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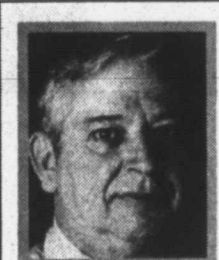
The \$1.4 billion "settlement" against some of Wall Street's largest firms for essentially fleecing their customers is a mere pittance. These characters can pay this out of petty cash. No one is going to jail.

Why not? By recommending stocks they themselves secretly scorned, they sent a number of Americans to the poorhouse. Should that not be a crime? What does a con artist do if not induce people to invest in something worthless? What is the difference? The actions of these firms were just plain dishonest.

But don't expect an elitist government to do much to punish the elite. The rich are different from the rest of us. They tend to go to the same schools, to intermarry, to socialize at the same elite clubs, and they move in and out of government and elite foundations, corporations and think tanks like migrating salmon. A good source of information on this kind of thing is Thomas R. Dye, a professor who has written a number of books on the American elite.

Another book I would recommend is "Rich Dad, Poor Dad," by Robert T. Kiyosaki. At first, this might seem like just another one of those get-rich-quick books, but Kiyosaki has some sound advice, especially for us blue-collar folks.

He points out, for example, that the difference between the rich and the non-rich is that the rich understand money and under-



CHARLEY REESE
COLUMNIST

stand the difference between assets and cash flow. I had heard that years ago and understood it, but only on a superficial intellectual level.

An old banker told me one day, "Son, there are only two kinds of people in this world: those who pay interest and those who collect it." A real estate man had told me, "Anybody can become a millionaire, but to do so, you have to eat, breathe and think making money every hour of the day." As a young reporter, I was still more interested in news, girls, booze, cops and excitement than in making money. My mistake. That's why I'm still writing columns.

I wouldn't even pretend to give anybody financial advice, but I can give you this human-nature advice: If you expect the elite or the representatives of the elite to do you any favors, you probably still believe in the Easter Bunny and the tooth fairy. Every society, including ours, is a mixture of reality and myth. In our society, the elite, the government and Wall Street all are presented with a

benign face, and that is a myth. There is a world where the pursuit of self-interest is as ruthless as Josef Stalin's. The only reason they don't have people murdered is because they don't have to in our system. Yet these same people would thrive in a totalitarian system. Whether communist or capitalist, a burning desire to succeed no matter what the price other people have to pay will take you to the top.

We call ourselves a democracy, but the common folk have precious little influence on anything, public or private. Those who work for wages are at the mercy of their employers, who can cut off their cash flow at any time for any reason. Those who labor to build a small business are at the mercy of giant competitors with huge financial and political clout and who have a poisonous hatred for competition. Free enterprise is another myth in our society. More and more of everything is owned or controlled by fewer and fewer people.

The worst thing is that there are no leaders of the common folks. It now costs so much money to run for practically any office, even those inclined to care about the common folks are forced to get into bed with the big-bucks people. Another myth is that the rich shower candidates with money with no expectation of a return on their investment. That'll be the day.
 (Write to Charley Reese at P.O. box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802.)

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, May 20, the 140th day of 2003. There are 225 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:	On May 20, 1861, the capital of the Confederacy was moved from Montgomery, Ala., to Richmond, Va. On this date: In 1506, Christopher	Columbus died in poverty in Spain. In 1861, North Carolina voted to secede from the Union. In 1902, the United States	ended its three-year military presence in Cuba as the Republic of Cuba was established under its first elected president, Tomas Estrada Palma.
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'What Nurses Mean to Me' contest



(Courtesy photo)

Students at Austin Elementary recently participated in "What Nurses Mean to Me," a contest sponsored by Pampa Regional Medical Center. Winners are as follows: (first row, left-right) Paige Holt, first place; Ashlee Holland, second place; and Jackie Karson, third place. Pictured with the winners are Lisa Kenner, RN, Linda Lantz, RN, and Tom Barton, chief nursing officer, all of PRMC.

JSL 'Provisionals'



(Courtesy photo)

New Junior Service League "Provisionals" for 2004-05 are as follows: (left-right) Heather Mitchell, Jody Allen, Miss Courtney Gagan and Rachael Turner.

Glaxo vote signals end of big executive pay deals in Britain

LONDON (AP) — Critics of lavish corporate pay hailed a vote by shareholders against a proposed multimillion pound pay deal for executives at GlaxoSmithKline, the biggest revolt yet in Britain against "fat cat" deals.

Glaxo shareholders ignored pleas from the drug company that it needed to handsomely reward its executives to compete with big pay packets offered to their counterparts in the United States, voting down the proposals at a meeting Monday.

The Glaxo rebellion was the first time shareholders in a British blue chip company had voted against an executive pay proposal using new laws introduced earlier this year that require such packages to be put to a vote. Their vote is not binding but it was embarrassing for the company.

"It is perfectly clear that shareholders, especially big institutional shareholders, are getting very irritated by arrangements which appear to offer a reward for failure," said Geoffrey Owen, a senior fellow at the London School of Economics, on Tuesday.

"This will encourage shareholders to take a more aggressive stance in relation to remuneration."

Glaxo was proposing to guarantee chief executive Jean-Pierre Garnier two years' salary and bonus on termination of his contract. Last year, he received \$3.9 million, including his bonus, and was awarded

shares worth \$2.7 million.

The vote, by a slim majority of 50.72 percent to 49.28 percent, prompted Glaxo to say it would review the pay situation.

Investors in Britain have become increasingly critical of U.S.-style "golden parachute" deals that give executives a generous payoff even if they leave behind a failed company or are forced out because of poor performance.

The Glaxo vote was the most public revolt, but they are not the only company being targeted by unhappy shareholders in the annual round of public meetings.

Forty-nine percent of votes went against directors' pay at BAE Systems, about 23 percent of shareholders voted against pay packages suggested by Shell and a third of shareholders didn't approve of remuneration deals at Barclays.

"We have been finding on average that around a third of institutional shareholders have been abstaining or voting against these big remuneration packages," said Andy Fleming, spokesman for the National Association of Pension Funds, which has about \$504 billion invested in British stocks.

Unions welcomed the vote but called on the government to bring in tougher laws to tackle executive "greed" that have strict enforcement.

"This is an extremely significant result that will have repercussions way beyond GlaxoSmithKline," said

Brendan Barber, general secretary elect of the Trade Union Congress. "Britain's boardrooms are now on notice."

The British government is conducting a review of the legislation introduced earlier this year to see whether it should be tightened, but Trade and Industry Minister Patricia Hewitt said any changes would have their limitations.

"It's not the job of government to decide what executives ought to be paid. That is the responsibility of boards and it is the responsibility of shareholders," Hewitt said.

Bombing at Turkish cafe kills one person

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — A bombing at a cafe at one of the capital's busiest intersections during morning rush hour Tuesday killed one woman and wounded another, officials said.

The explosion in the restroom of the Crocodile Cafe, which occupied two floors of a ten-story building in Ankara's commercial district of Kizilay, shattered walls and windows in the building.

"I could see bits of flesh thrown all over the place," said Ali Vehbi, a student who arrived at the scene shortly after the blast, as he pointed to a small bloody spot on a window of a building opposite the cafe.

Police recovered the body of a woman from the debris of the restroom.

News reports suggested that the woman may have been a suicide attacker or may have died when the bomb she was planting exploded prematurely, but police and interior ministry officials refused to confirm

those reports. No group immediately claimed responsibility.

Prosecutor Ahmet Mutlu said a bomb was responsible, but added that authorities were still investigating whether it was a suicide attack, Turkey's semi-official Anatolia news agency reported.

One of the owners, Sadullah Kayalar, said the cafe had not received any threats, Anatolia reported.

It was not clear how many people were in the cafe at the

time of the blast.

"I heard an explosion ... Smoke was coming out of the cafe. Then the windows came falling down," said Mustafa Gundogdu, a barber who works near the cafe.

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Beaux Arts recital



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Beaux Arts Dance Studio's 55th anniversary presentation "Dancing Holiday" is set to begin at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, May 24, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Above: Dacie McGill, left, and Wendy Stephens.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Neighborhood Affair Causes Misery For Everyone Involved

DEAR ABBY I have been involved with "Christopher" for three years. Our relationship started out as an affair. Chris was married with two small children and lived two floors down from me. He ended up leaving his wife and kids for me, causing pain for everyone.

After the divorce, Chris was ordered to pay child support, alimony and the family's mortgage. He stopped paying when his wife moved in a lover who was a neighbor from across the street. Soon after that she kicked him out and took up with a guy she met on the Internet. The two children were neglected and finally taken into state custody. They have since been returned to her after a year-long court battle. The state would never allow Christopher to take the kids because his ex brought to light his prison history and ongoing alcohol addiction.

My problem is, after three years of this drama, I still feel I can't trust Chris — that he always needs to be "baby-sat." He is not the world's most responsible guy. For instance, instead of going to work, he may end up in a bar — and not even call to let me know. I'm always scared and worrying about what he's doing and where he is.

On top of all this, Chris is facing more prison time. My head tells me he's not worth the trouble he's caused but my heart won't let go of the hope he'll change. Maybe I should have walked away when he first cheated on his wife with me — the first time he did, the first time he left me in the middle of the night to go out and do who-knows-what.

Should I wait until Chris goes to jail, then send him a Dear Abby letter and start over someplace else? Or should I get out now? If I threatened to leave him, he'd go nuts. Yet he feels OK about living a reckless and selfish life. Abby, who really has the problem here — me or him?

CONFUSED TO THE MAXIMUM IN MISSOURI

DEAR CONFUSED TO THE MAX: Interesting question. I'd say you both do. Your boyfriend can't toe the line, and you can't let go. From my perspective, Chris can offer you no future. However, if you think he will "go nuts" if you indicate that you're leaving, it would be better if you wait until the state takes him away from you.

DEAR ABBY: My teacher told me I should write to you with my etiquette-question about envelopes.

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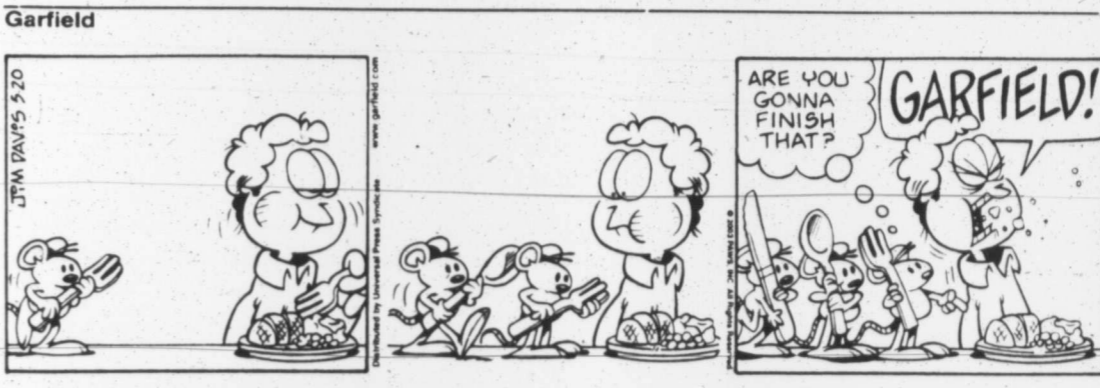
JOSH IN CHICAGO

DEAR JOSH: If it's true, it's the first I have heard of it. To most people, the most important thing is what's inside the envelope, not the shape of the flap.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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SPORTS

Parcells greets veterans on practice field

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The sideline is no place for Bill Parcells during a practice.

Parcells took the field Monday in his first practice with the Dallas Cowboys veterans, the first of eight over the next six days. He ambled around the fields throughout the sweltering afternoon session — temperatures soared into the 90s in the Dallas area — mostly observing with his arms crossed as his assistants put the players through drills.

Wearing a navy blue fisherman's hat and a white T-shirt, Parcells — sometimes barked instructions to some of

the players and a few other times chatted with Cowboys owner Jerry Jones.

Under the trained eye of Parcells, players exhibited pep that wasn't often present during previous training camps under fired coach Dave Campo.

Players jogged from drill to drill, quickly popped up off the ground and constantly kept up encouraging chatter during the two-hour practice.

It was just the kind of intensity Parcells promised the Cowboys would have when he was hired nearly five months ago.

Jones hired Parcells to inject a little life into a franchise that had suffered through three straight 5-11 seasons. The Cowboys won the last of their five Super Bowls — three for Jones — in 1996 and haven't had a winning record since 1998.

Parcells took the New York Giants, New England Patriots and New York Jets from losing records to the playoffs in two seasons. He has a 138-100-1 record in regular-season games, and is 11-6 in the playoffs with two Super Bowl wins for the Giants and an AFC title with the Patriots.

Over his 15 seasons as an NFL coach, Parcells has earned a reputation as a master strategist, keen evaluator of a talent and an extremely detail-oriented manager. He was known to linger around the Cowboys' workout facility during the offseason, striking up conversations with players in an effort to learn all he can about them.

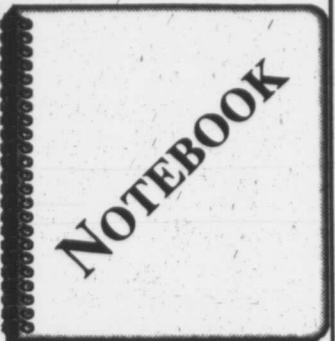
But a couple of hours before camp opened Monday, Parcells repeatedly emphasized that the team would be in good shape and would work hard. Other than that, he said, he didn't know much

else about his team. Asked for specifics about nearly every position on the team, Parcells coyly feigned ignorance about much of the team's personnel.

"Everything is wide open," he said. "I have to go on what I see."

Not so, said player after player.

"He knows everything about us," said safety Darren Woodson, at 34 now the oldest Cowboy on the roster since Emmitt Smith was released in the offseason. "He's a player's coach — he wants to be in the mix."



BASKETBALL

PAMPA — The Lady Harvester Basketball Camp will be held June 9-13 at Pampa's McNeely Fieldhouse. Camp sessions are for next year's 3rd-5th graders, 8:30-11:30 a.m.; 6th-9th graders, 1-5 p.m.

Fundamentals, teamwork and fun will be stressed at the camp. The \$50 fee includes t-shirt, instruction and certificate. Instructors include Pampa High School and Middle School staff, plus former college and high school athletes.

For a brochure or more information, call Steve Schmidt at 669-9013 (home, evenings), or Janyth Bowers at 669-4800 (Middle School office).

Deadline to insure a T-shirt will be available is Friday, May 30.

GOLF

PAMPA — The team of Elmer Wilson, Howard Musgrave, Marvin Allison and Joe Wheeley established a new seniors four-man scramble record with a 57 Wednesday. They shot 27 on the front nine with birdies on every hole except for the short par 4 No. 7.

Results are as follows:

1. Elmer Wilson, Howard Musgrave, Marvin Allison and Joe Wheeley, 57.

2. Bill Hammer, Harvey Malone, Waldon Haynes and James Gray 62.

3. Willie Nickelberry, Bob Brandon, Morris Driver and Jim Osborne 62.

4. Bill King, Bill Harwood, Callens George and Jim Maher 63.

Closest to pin: Joe Mabry, No. 6.

Closest to pin: Kenneth Williams, No. 15.

Hidden Hills Senior Golf Association is open to any male golfer 55 years of age or older, who would like to play every Wednesday morning.

Currently there are 100 members from Pampa and the surrounding area.

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HOCKEY

OTTAWA (AP) — Jason Spezza used a stellar playoff debut to keep the Ottawa Senators' unprecedented run alive.

The 19-year-old rookie scored a goal and set up Martin Havlat's game-winning in Ottawa's 3-1 victory over the New Jersey Devils in the Eastern Conference finals on Monday.

The victory not only cut the Devils' series lead to 3-2, it snapped Ottawa's three-game losing streak and forced Game 6 at New Jersey on Wednesday.

It also marked the first time in seven tries the Senators won when facing elimination.

The Annika show sneaks into town

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Annika Sorenstam walked off the practice range, got into a cart and was surrounded immediately by two dozen media, who formed a wall so thick that the cart couldn't move in any direction.

Cameras flashed. Microphones were thrust toward her face.

Questions were shouted to her in presidential fashion, the last of which summed up the circuslike moment Monday afternoon at Colonial.

How do you think you'll handle the media attention?

The answer could have applied to just about any question she faces this week — at least until she tees it up Thursday and becomes the first woman in 58 years to compete on the PGA Tour.

"I don't know," Sorenstam said with a sweet smile and a shrug of the shoulders.

No one knows how she will handle the spotlight, as severe as anything Tiger Woods ever faced when he turned pro and started winning majors.

No one knows what she will shoot.

No one knows whether she will finish high enough to play on the weekend.

"We're about to find out," two-time U.S. Open champion Lee Janzen said.

Sorenstam at least handled

the first test with ease. Instead of weaving her way through nearly 80 media who stood guard outside the Colonial clubhouse under a blistering sun, she sneaked in the back gate and went straight to the range shortly before 6 p.m.

No matter. It wasn't long before everyone found her.

Media scampered across fairways, at times cutting in front of players in a Monday program, like ants heading for a bread crumb at a picnic.

Clearly, the Colonial won't be any picnic.

Sorenstam says she was surprised by the attention from her decision to accept a sponsor's exemption to the Colonial, making her the first woman since Babe Zaharias in 1945 to play against the men.

The tournament has issued 583 media credentials. Not only is that up — way up — from 178 last year, it computes to nearly five media for every player in the field.

Even the players are curious.

"I was expecting all this wildness," Kenny Perry said after spending close to two hours in solitude on the practice green and chipping area. "I came to see what it was all about. I think everyone is fired up about it."

For most of the afternoon, the only LPGA Tour player at Colonial was Michelle McGann, who was watching

Alex Cejka play in a pro-am.

"I hope she does all right," said McGann, a seven-time winner on the LPGA Tour who was leaving Monday night for the LPGA Comins Classic. "I can't imagine the amount of pressure. The whole world basically knows about this."

McGann has a rooting interest.

Sorenstam is the best female golfer in the world, a winner of 43 tournaments, including 19 in the last two seasons. She has breezed through her competition on the LPGA Tour, winning every other tournament she played last year.

Asked if Sorenstam represents every LPGA Tour player this week, McGann replied, "In a certain way, I think so."

"She's got a lot of hats she's wearing," McGann said. "Obviously, she thinks of Annika first, and she should. But she's part of our tour, part of us."

Some players didn't want to talk about Sorenstam. That's all they have done for the last several weeks, and truth is, they have no idea what will happen.

"I'm very curious," Jeff Sluman said. "Vegas has got odds. Players are saying this and that. We don't know because we haven't seen her play. I have no clue. I am genuinely interested in how she does."

PISD schedules athletic physicals

PAMPA — Pampa Independent School District will conduct athletic physicals at 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 27 at the Pampa Middle School Gymnasium.

There will be \$10 fee for each physical. The proceeds will be used to purchase rehab equipment for the PHS Athletic Training Program.

Physicals are required for

those male and female athletes entering the 7th, 9th and 11th grades, who wish to participate in any Pampa Middle School or High School athletic program.

Forms will be handed out at school on May 23.

Each athlete must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

PISD Athletic Trainer

Stuart Smith issued a special thanks to Dr. Craig Shaffer, Dr. Dan Powell, Dr. Simoneta Soriano, Janet Bellew, Darrel Deloach, Kathy Land, Pampa Regional Medical Center and Texas Tech School of Medicine for their participation in providing this service for the community and school district.

DFB team shuts out Rotary Club in 11-12 Cal Ripken League action

PAMPA — Brett Powell came within one pitch of hurling a perfect game as Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency shut out Rotary Club 8-0 last week in an 11-12 Cal Ripken League contest.

The one pitch came in the third inning when Gerardo Dominguez stroked a hit into center field to be the only base runner for Rotary. Brett Powell struck out eight for DFB without walking a batter.

Tye Powell got things going for DFB in the first inning with a single to center. Margin Aliva walked, sending Tye Powell to second. The runners moved up on a wild pitch. Tye Powell scored when Brett Powell sent a grounder to shortstop Chris Bengé. Bengé threw to first for an out. First baseman Gage

Caruth then threw across the diamond to Eric Lewis at third to complete an unusual 6-3-5 double play.

DFB added four more runs in the second inning. With one out, Ricky Davis walked. Zach Doan reached base on an infield hit with Davis going all the way to third and scoring on a throwing error. Sean Malone picked up a run batted in with a ground out which scored Doan. Chad Rushing continued the rally with a single. Tye Powell followed with another single. All hands were safe on a fielder's choice hit by Avila. Brett Powell sent a smash toward shortstop, which was too hot to handle, scoring Rushing and Tye Powell. Bengé took a relay throw from the outfield and cut down Avila at the plate with

Jonathan Anguiano applying the tag.

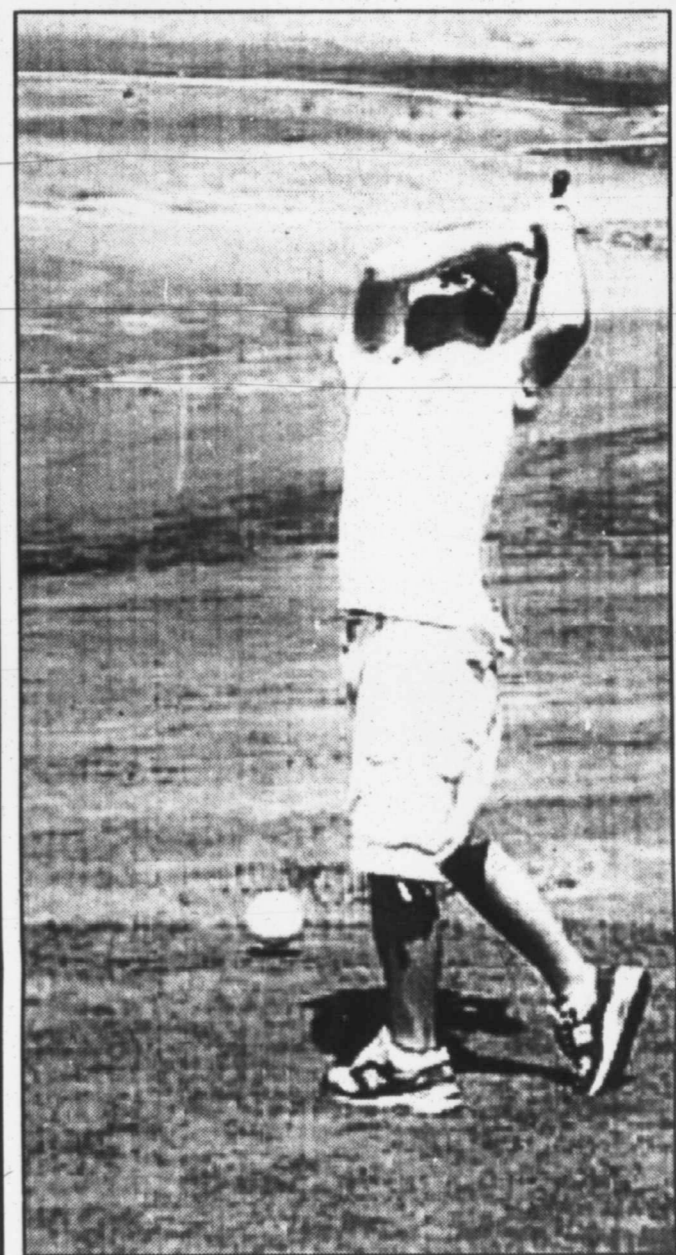
The winners scored two more in the third. Craig Conner looped a double to left and scored on a double to right by Davis. Davis took third on a fielder's choice and scored on a throwing error.

In the DFB fourth inning, Rushing reached base on an error. Avila was safe on an error, but Rushing was thrown out trying to go from first to third on the play. Avila scored the final run of the game on a single by Brent Powell and a Rotary error.

DFB's Tye Powell with two hits and two runs scored was the leading hitter in the game.

DFB evened its record at 4-4. Rotary dropped to 3-5-1.

Golf outing



Tanner Hucks, former Pampa Harvester basketball player enjoys a round of golf last weekend at Hidden Hills. Hucks, a 2001 PHS graduate, attends West Texas A&M.

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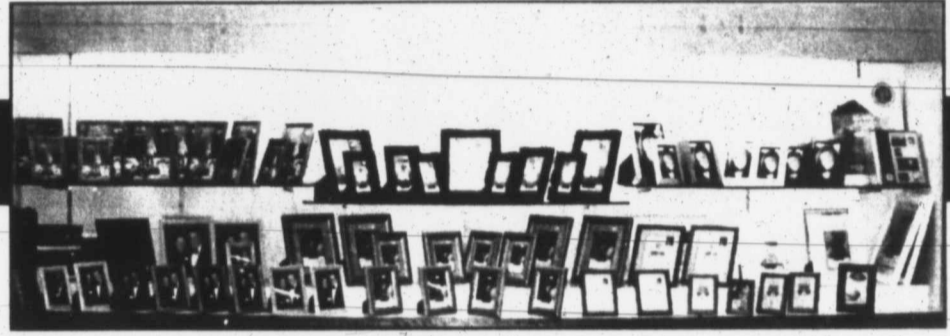
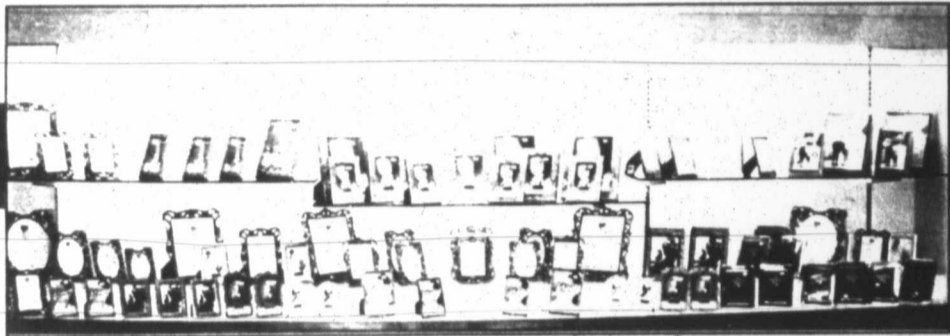
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