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Junior Ranch Rodeo entries available now

Entry forms are now available for the WRCA Junior Ranch Rodeo to be held Saturday, Oct. 4, at 2 p.m.

Forms may be picked up at the rodeo office at 200 N. Ballard. Teams of children ages 4-16 will compete in Pony Express Race, Wild Cow Milking, and Calf Branding using Pokey the Clown's Non-Livestock.

The winning team in each age division will compete in the World Championship to be held in Amarillo on Nov. 15.

For more information, contact the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, 669-0434.

DEATHS

- Marguerite Helen Jones Akst, 81, businesswoman.
- Lewis J. Dinkins, 46.
- Roberta May Kuhn, 75, cook.
- Mayme Lewis, 97, homemaker.
- Lawnda Webster, 27, businesswoman.

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Pampans recall Woody Guthrie

By **DAVID BOWSER**
 STAFF WRITER

"Wouldn't Woody have a ball if he could see all this going on," Rheba Williams said.

Pete Seeger's fund-raising concert for the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center this weekend has brought back a flood of memories for Pampa residents who knew Guthrie or his family.

Legendary folk singer Woody Guthrie started his musical career in Pampa when he was a teenager.



(Photo by David Bowser)
Rheba Williams



(Photo by David Bowser)
Punkin Boland

Seeger, 84, traveled with Guthrie in the 1930s, singing and writing songs. Although he doesn't travel much anymore, Seeger, who is also a folk music legend, will be in Pampa this weekend for a memorial performance on Friday afternoon and a concert Saturday night.

This weekend's activities led a number of people in Pampa to remember those days in the 1930s, the depths of the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl, when Woody Guthrie would sit at Harris Drug Store, strumming his guitar, or play with his band at

dances around the area.

Lorraine Fite's husband Elmer was the manager of Standard Food Market at 304 S. Cuyler at the time Guthrie worked at Harris Drug, 320 S. Cuyler, which is now the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center.

Matt Jennings, Guthrie's brother-in-law, worked at the market, Lorraine Fite recalled. Jennings was also in a band with Guthrie in the 1930s in Pampa.

Fite said she doesn't remember much about Guthrie, who was two years



(Photo by David Bowser)
Lorraine Fite



(Photo by David Bowser)
Viola Ingram

ahead of her in school, but does remember Jennings.

"Matt was a butcher and played the guitar," Fite said. "He was in Woody's band."

She said she knew Woody just casually.

"I knew Matt real well," Fite said. "My husband was the store manager, and we all worked together."

If Fite didn't remember much about Guthrie, Viola Ingram did.

"I was in study hall with him," Ingram said. "He sat two aisles over from me."

She said he was always writing notes to her and pitch-

ing them on her desk at Pampa High School.

"He was a big tease," Ingram said.

She said she never kept any of the notes, but Guthrie was always drawing on them.

"He could draw anything," Ingram said.

She said she was worried about drawing a fire prevention poster for a class assignment once, and Guthrie volunteered to help her.

"He helped me fix my poster," Ingram said.

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(Photo by David Bowser)
Esta Lee Brogdin

County OKs '03 cost for demolition

By **MARILYN POWERS**
 STAFF WRITER

Gray County Commissioners today voted to pay the City of Pampa \$1,923.87 as the county's share of demolition costs of six condemned structures razed in 2003.

Commissioners met at 9 a.m. today in the county courtroom on the second floor of Gray County Courthouse. Action on the bill for the demolition had been tabled at a previous meeting because it had not included a breakdown of costs, said County Judge Richard Peet.

Demolitions are paid for by the city, county and school district in proportion to the percentage of total property tax assessed on each structure. The total bill for the fiscal year 2003 demolitions was \$10,980.78, according to a memorandum sent by City Finance Director John Horst to Peet. Of that cost, \$7,880.78 was paid to the City of Borger for grinding the material from the structures so that it could be placed in the Pampa landfill, the memorandum stated.

Structures demolished during the year were at 400 N. Davis, 617 N. Christy, 312 N. Christy, 504 N. Sumner, 215 Gillespie and 728 Naida.

Peet commented that both the county commissioners and the Pampa Independent School District school board had rejected a request by the City of Pampa to pay tipping fees, charged when material is taken to the landfill and dumped.

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Purple ribbons for violence victims



(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers)

Tralee Crisis Center representatives and volunteers tie purple ribbons on the trees in front of Pampa Police Department today in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Oct. 1-31. One ribbon for each client served by the Crisis Center in the past year, a total of 2,525 ribbons, will be placed on the trees at City Hall, as well as on fences at Pampa schools and trees along Somerville Avenue. Shown are, from left, Martha Porter, Crisis Center board member; Karon Hooper, volunteer coordinator; and Angie Edmondson, office assistant. Free lapel pin ribbons are available at the Crisis Center, 310 S. Cuyler. Services provided by the Center include a 24-hour crisis hotline; domestic violence/sexual assault shelter for victims; and safe housing for men, women and children who are victims of these crimes. The non-profit agency's office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Their resale shop, which sells used items donated to the center, is at 315 S. Cuyler and is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Proceeds are used to fund services.

State slashes Worth the Wait funds 63 percent

AMARILLO - Worth the Wait, a grassroots sexual abstinence education program for youth, is scrambling to cover a \$280,000 budget shortfall created by a 63 percent decrease in state funds, officials announced today.

Texas Department of Health awarded \$442,600 to WTW last year, but decreased the award to \$162,000 per year for the next three years, according

to a WTW news release. TDH officials say grant awards, made up of federal funds, were reduced to pay for as many projects around the state as possible.

Worth the Wait was formed in Pampa in 1997 to address teen pregnancy in Gray County. WTW has implemented its program in school districts in 10 communities in the Panhandle.

Six of these districts - Pampa, McLean, Canadian, Wheeler, Shamrock and Amarillo - are Texas Department of Health (TDH) grant sites.

The other four - Borger, Dalhart, White Deer and Claude, are funded by a federal Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS) grant. TDH and SPRANS sites are

funded separately to comply with grant regulations.

Stacey Ladd, Worth the Wait executive director, called the budget decreases frustrating.

"Potter County was ranked number one in the state in the Texas Department of Health Leading Indicators of Teen Sexual Activity for

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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

BOYD, George James "Jimmie" — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
DINKINS, Lewis J. — 2 p.m., New Salem Baptist Church, Paris, Texas.
LEWIS, Mayme — 2 p.m., Dodson Church of the Nazarene, Dodson.

MARGUERITE HELEN JONES AKST

AMARILLO — Marguerite Helen Jones Akst, 81, a resident of Craig Retirement Center and a former resident of Pampa, died September 29, 2003, in Amarillo.

A Prayer Service will be held today, Wednesday, October 1st, at Schooler Funeral Home at 7 p.m. The Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, October 2nd at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1200 South Washington, at 10 a.m. Msgr. Harold Waddow will be the celebrant. Interment will be at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa, Texas, at 2 p.m.

Arrangements are by Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 South Georgia.

Mrs. Akst was born in Oklahoma and moved to Pampa in 1929. She was a 1937 graduate of Pampa High School and a graduate of Draughton's Business College in Edmond, Okla. She and her former husband, Irving B. Akst, owned Merry Melodies, a downtown Pampa music store, in the early 1950s. She was the registrar for Pampa High School. She was an employee of Cabot Credit Union. She was also a bookkeeper for many years for Lewis Jones Construction and Idos Corp., a scientific services and consulting company they founded in the late 1970s.

She was an active member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa and later a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Amarillo. She was an active volunteer serving as president of St. Vincent's altar society, a driver for Meals on Wheels and many other organizations. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lewis and Marguerite Jones of Pampa and two brothers, Lewis Jones, Jr., of Pampa and Jack L. Jones of Springer, N.M.

Survivors include four daughters, Carol Mathews of Lee's Summit, Mo., Cherie Clifton of Amarillo, Texas, Janet Martin of Cedar Park, Texas, and Teresa Railsback of Amarillo, Texas; two sons, Adam Akst of Cedar Park, Texas, and Jason Akst of Sycamore, Ill.; a sister, Ursula Kennedy of Austin, Texas; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.



LAWNDA WEBSTER

1976-2003

GEORGETOWN — Lawnda Webster, 27, president of H&W Financial of Georgetown, died Saturday, Sept. 27, 2003. Services will be at 1:30 p.m., Friday, in Greenwood Chapel in Fort Worth with Pastor Gary Oliver officiating.

Mrs. Webster was born March 23, 1976, in Fort Worth.

Survivors include a daughter, Madalynn Brook Webster of Willow Park; a son, Trenton Cyle Waldo of Joshua; her parents, Marvin David Webster of Dallas and LaWanda Ewing of Willow Park; her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Marvin C. Webster of Pampa; her maternal grandmother, Mary Louise Frost of Pampa; two brothers, Mark

David Webster of Dallas and Cameron Webster of Pampa; and two sisters, Lindsey Nicole Ewing of Willow Park and Whitney Webster of Pampa.

Visitation will be from 7-9 p.m., Thursday, at Greenwood Funeral Home in Fort Worth.



ROBERTA MAY KUHN

1928-2003

HAYS, Kan. — Roberta May Kuhn, 75, died Monday, Sept. 29, 2003, at St. John's of Hays Nursing Home. Rosary services will be held at 9:30 a.m., Friday, in Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Services will follow at 10 a.m., Friday, at the church with Father Kevin Weber officiating. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery under the direction of Chime's Mortuary of Hays and Victoria.

Mrs. Kuhn was born May 7, 1928, at Russell, Kan., to William Wallace and Alma Leitta (Miller) Barrett. She married Remigius C. Kuhn on June 12, 1948, at Victoria, Kan.; he died Feb. 6, 1968.

She was a cook for many years, working at Golden Ox, Holiday Inn restaurant, Mall Restaurant and as a substitute cook at Lincoln School. She moved to Hays in 1958 and was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, an infant brother and Carl Barrett and Clayton Barrett; three sisters, Frances McGuire, Celia Frank and Mary Barrett; a son, Michael J. Kuhn; a daughter, Roberta Marie Kuhn; and a great-grandson, Abraham Michael Kuhn.

Survivors include five sons, Bob Kuhn of Hays, Leon Kuhn of Russell, Kan., Ron Kuhn of Ladera Ranch, Calif., Steve Kuhn of Pampa and Terry Kuhn of WaKeeney, Kan.; a daughter, Mary Ann Kuhn of Liebenenthal, Kan.; two sisters, Willmetta Thompson of Illinois and Naida Fern Carpenter of Sedan, Kan.; 10 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors from 9 until 10 a.m., Friday, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and requests memorials be to St. John Rest Home Corp., Hospice of Hays Medical Center or Masses.

LEWIS J. DINKINS

PARIS — Lewis J. Dinkins, 46, died Thursday, Sept. 25, 2003. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, in New Salem Baptist Church with the Rev. Connie Mayes officiating. Burial will be in Restlawn Gardens Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Massey Funeral Home.



STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	3.15
Milo	3.54
Corn	4.15
Soybeans	6.12

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

OXY	35.37 +0.14
BP	42.54 +0.44
Celanese	32.50 -0.53
Cabot Corp.	28.80 +0.29
COG	26.33 +0.33
Coca Cola	43.08 +0.12
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Atmos	24.25 +0.31
Pioneer Nat	25.59 +0.13
JCP	21.69 +0.32
COP	55.18 +0.43
SLB	48.81 +0.41
Tenneco	6.30 +0.01
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Wal-Mart	56.19 +0.34
OKE	20.53 +0.36
NS Grp	6.65 +0.19

New York Gold	385.25
Silver	5.12
Crude	29.20

MAYME LEWIS

1906-2003

HOLLIS, Okla. — Mayme Lewis, a long-time Collingsworth County resident, died Monday, Sept. 29, 2003, at Colonial Manor I in Hollis. Services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday in Dodson Church of the Nazarene in Dodson with the Rev. Al Mixon officiating. Burial will be in Dodson Cemetery under the direction of Stewart Funeral Service of Hollis.

Mrs. Lewis was born Jan. 24, 1906, to William Washington and Hattie Bradford Carter in Indian Territory, near present-day Hollis a year before it became Harmon County. She attended Dodson School, but, since Dodson had no high school at the time, graduated from high school at Portales, N.M., where she lived with relatives until graduation in 1923.

She married William Claude Lewis on March 11, 1925, at Wellington; he died in 1962. They made their home at Kelley, located east of Wellington, and were members of

Kelley Methodist Church. She later became an active member of Church of the Nazarene in Dodson. She was known for her cooking, gardening, sewing, quilting and other needlework and was a member of Busy Bee Quilting Club.

She moved to Hollis in December of 1995, broke her leg in the fall of 1997 and, in January of 1998, moved to Colonial Manor I, where she lived until the time of her death.

She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include three sons, William Herschel of Pampa, Teddy Ray of Odessa and Melvin Dan of Hollis; three daughters, Patsy Nell Terry and Doris Gertrude Goad, both of Pampa, and Mildred Ann Cummins of Hollis; 18 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Dodson Church of the Nazarene or to Dodson Cemetery.

ON RECORD

ACCIDENTS

Pampa Police Department today reported the following motor vehicle accidents.

Monday, Sept. 29

3:37 p.m. — A 1998 Chevrolet Malibu, driven by Staci Lynn Searl, 18, of 1033 Terry Rd., was in collision with a 1996 Chevrolet Silverado, driven by Michael Lamond Ryan, 29, of Canadian, in the 1000 block of North Hobart. No injuries were reported. Searl was cited for following too closely and unsafe speed.

Tuesday, Sept. 30

5:54 p.m. — A 2001 Chevrolet Silverado, driven by Aaron Lee Farrar, 36, of 1212 Garland, was in collision with a 1999 Chevrolet Silverado, driven by Tommy Ray McCracken, 53, of 12792 Hwy. 152 East, in the 1100 block of West Wilks. No injuries were reported. Farrar was cited for failure to control speed.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Department today reported the following arrests.

Tuesday, Sept. 30

Stacy Lynn Alexander, 34, of North Highlands, Calif., was arrested for bond surrender on a charge of driving while intoxicated, third offense, enhanced.

Michael Lynn Wood, 31, of 1816 W. Alcock, was arrested for evading arrest.

FIRE

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

Wednesday, Oct. 1

3:28 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a report of a gas odor at a residence in the 600 block of Hazel. Firefighters checked for natural gas and carbon monoxide but found none.

AMBULANCE

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

Tuesday, Sept. 30

10:59 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1700

block of Christine and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

10:23 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Harlem and transported a patient to PRMC.

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Monday, Sept. 29

Assault was reported in the 600 block of East Frederic. No injuries were reported.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 1900 N. Hobart. Value of gasoline taken was \$10.04.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 600 block of North Dwight. No forced entry was reported. Taken were three compact discs, clothing and several prescription medications. Estimated loss was \$1,600.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of Cinderella. A vehicle was sprayed with Silly String. No damage was reported.

An individual reported that while he was riding a bicycle in the 100 block of North Wynne, he was struck by an older model blue Buick four-door passenger car, driven by an elderly female, with a dog in the vehicle. No injuries were reported. Attempts to find the suspect were unsuccessful.

Tuesday, Sept. 30

An information report was taken in the 500 block of Harlem.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 100 block of North Dwight. A ring, coins and a safe were taken, and the back door of the residence was damaged. Estimated loss and damage was \$500.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the lobby of

the police department. The incident occurred in the 1600 block of North Hobart. The vehicle was unlocked. Taken were a wallet and contents. No monetary value was reported for the loss.

Credit card abuse was reported in the lobby of the police department. The incident occurred in the 600 block of East Frederic.

Adam Dale Robinson, 29, of 1124 N. Starkweather, was arrested for public intoxication.

Laura Ann Hart, 45, of 1124 Starkweather, was arrested for public intoxication.

Wednesday, Oct. 1
 Michael Dewayne Cox, 39, of 1032 Huff Rd., was arrested for theft.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for mostly cloudy skies, highs in the lower 60s and east winds 5 to 10 mph. Nightfall should see mostly cloudy skies, lows in the upper 40s and east winds 5 to 10 mph. Thursday should be mostly cloudy in the morning then becoming partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s.

Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Thursday night, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Friday, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms then partly cloudy in the afternoon. Highs around 80.

City Briefs

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Clarifications to the annual fire coverage contract between the City of Pampa and Gray County were proposed. In the current contract submitted to the county, a section on equipment which may be lost to fire in the course of fighting a fire was objected to by county commissioners.

The proposed contract states that the city and county will evenly divide the portion of appraised value of the lost equipment that is not covered by insurance. A cover letter provided by City Manager Mitch Grant, sent in response to a request by the county for more details, states that the city and county will each pay half of the deductible, the amount of the item's insured value not paid by the insurance carrier.

Peet said that the proposed contract is signed by the city commission members, whereas the letter is signed only by the city manager.

Commissioners voted unanimously to ask that the city/county fire coverage contract be changed to show that the county agrees to pay half of the deductible portion of the equipment's value, rather than half of the equipment's appraised value after subtracting insurance proceeds.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Gary Willoughby asked if a section of the county's road crossing policy could be changed. The policy currently requires that all pipelines crossing beneath a county road shall be bored, and that the pipelines be encased in concrete conduits if the road is later paved.

Willoughby asked if the policy could be changed to require all pipe to be routed through a concrete conduit at the time the pipe is run across the road.

"The reason it's that way now is that landowners who want to run pipe across under the road can't always afford to put it in a conduit," said Precinct 3 Commissioner

Gerald Wright. Peet pointed out that the policy had not been updated since 1983, and suggested upgrading the policy. Action on the subject was tabled.

Commissioners voted to accept a bid of \$200 by Javier Perea of 131 S. Nelson for delinquent tax property at 601 E. Foster. The property is appraised at \$7,500 with taxes of \$2,800 owed on it.

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center will provide autopsy services for the county for the coming fiscal year, in a unanimous vote.

No action was taken on bids for the jail commissary service, as no bids had been received as of today.

In other business, commissioners voted to pay bills and salaries as approved by the county auditor, and to approve intra budget transfer requests. Purchase of desk lamps for workstations in the courthouse to augment existing lighting has been delayed, Peet said, due to the absence of the district clerk.

Commissioners met in executive session for 30 minutes to consider an item con-

cerning insurance company reimbursement involving Section 551.0785, health

care. Information on the item was not available at press time.

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WTW

the year 2001, which is the most recent year for which the state has data," Ladd said. "We began implementation of WTW in Amarillo ISD just last year and expect to see improvement in teen pregnancy rates in the next three to six years, as the students who began this program as sixth graders continue to participate in the program each year. I would hate for that to be jeopardized."

WTW partners with Baylor University to document successes. While abstinence education research has been extremely limited, WTW has been conducting research in this field since 2000.

In Gray County (WTW's first county of implementation), pregnancy rates were reduced from 34.8 pregnancies per 1,000 girls aged 13-17 in 1998 to 18.4 pregnancies per 1,000 girls in 2000 and 21.7 pregnancies per 1,000 girls in 2001.

"This is a remarkable decrease in teen pregnancy rates," Ladd said.

Based upon these successes, WTW was one of only two abstinence programs in the nation featured at the U.S. Department of Health and

Human Services Risk Avoidance Summit in Washington, D.C., in February.

"We will continue to provide services to the communities we are in, but we cannot continue to provide the level of service in each community without help," Ladd said. "We are pursuing private foundations for grant money, but we are very much in need of donations from individuals and communities in the panhandle."

In addition, she said in the news release, the Department of Health and Human Services is awarding the state of Texas a \$19.8 million dollar bonus for decreasing out-of-wedlock births. According to state officials, this money will go back into the general revenue fund. Other states have allocated some of the bonus money to go back into abstinence education funds so those organizations can continue their work, she said.

"Obviously, abstinence education has contributed to this decrease in out-of-wedlock births, and it is only right that some of the money go back into those organizations," Ladd said. "We will make a request to our representatives, senators, and the governor's office that some

of the bonus money be put back into abstinence education in Texas."

Worth the Wait is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Tax deductible contributions can be sent to Worth the Wait, P.O. Box 962, Pampa, Texas, 79066, or P.O. Box 51329, Amarillo, Texas, 79159.

WTW's mission is to promote abstinence until marriage with a strong emphasis on the physical, emotional, and social benefits derived from an abstinent lifestyle.

"Our goals are to delay the onset of teen sexual activity and thus reduce the incidence of teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, promote the avoidance of teen risk behaviors such as alcohol, drugs, sexual activity, and violence, and to enlist parents to talk with their teens about avoiding risk behaviors," Ladd explained.

WTW partners with medical professionals, social workers, teachers and professional youth workers to present medically accurate information to students, parents, and the community.

For more information, visit the Worth the Wait website at www.worthwait.org or call the Amarillo office at (806) 354-4442.

Store robbery triggers tragic chain of events

AMARILLO (AP) — One teenager died and another was injured Tuesday after their car was struck by a man fleeing a robbery scene, police said.

Police said a vehicle driven by Robert Lee McClinton, 23, hit the passenger side of a car killing Christopher Lewis Coppedge, 18, and injuring Coury Ney O'Neill, 18. The chase through residential and industrial areas lasted only a few minutes.

Sgt. Randy TenBrink said McClinton has been charged with aggravated robbery. McClinton is accused of holding up a convenience store with a knife before leading police on

the chase, the Amarillo Globe-News reported in its Wednesday editions.

McClinton is being held in Potter County Detention Center with more charges pending, said Cpl. Jerry Neufeld.

Officers were five blocks away from McClinton when the fatal crash occurred.

McClinton fled the scene on foot and was captured by officers in a storage yard a few blocks away. He was treated at a nearby hospital and released into police custody, Neufeld said.

Coppedge died at the scene, Potter County Justice of the Peace Thomas Jones said. An autopsy has been ordered.

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WOODY

She said Guthrie had the curliest hair she'd ever seen.

"You couldn't tell which end grew in his head," Ingram said.

Guthrie always came to school in overalls and high-topped turned-up shoes, she said, but one day he showed up scrubbed and dressed in a white shirt. Guthrie told her that he and his uncle, Jeff Guthrie, were going to entertain at a civic club luncheon that day.

It was either the Kiwanis Club or Rotary Club," Ingram said.

Punkin Boland and Williams both remember listening to the band Guthrie was in.

Boland lived next door to the Baker family on Yeager Street. Wincer Baker was in the band with Woody, and the band practiced at the Baker home.

"It was the most beautiful

music you've ever heard," Boland said, who was about 16 when she used to listen to the practice sessions.

Her favorite was the song "Just Because."

"It was so pretty the way they did it," Boland said.

It was easy to hear them, she laughed. All the windows were open.

"We didn't have air conditioning," Boland said.

Esta Lee Brogdin says she didn't know Woody Guthrie well, but her husband Warren did. She remembered Warren describing how Guthrie painted the sign at Harris Drug Store, a sign that has been reproduced on the front of the brick building that once housed the drug store where Guthrie worked and found his first guitar. The building now houses the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center.

"My husband said he watched Woody paint that Harris Drug sign," Brogdin said. "It took him all day

long."

"I remember Woody standing in front of the drug store, singing with a cup and people putting money in it," Boland said. "He could really sing."

William's uncle, Buck Koonce was also in the band.

"He was a railroad engineer when he came to Pampa," Williams said of her uncle.

There were a lot of strikes on the railroads in the late 1920s and early 1930s, so Koonce worked at other jobs, too.

Koonce was a deputy under Sheriff Charles "Tiny" Pipes in 1929.

"He got to playing with the band," Williams said, "and got to playing with Woody Guthrie."

Williams said her Uncle Buck could play just about any instrument he picked up.

"He was best on the violin," Williams said. "He could play those old hoe downs."

She said she loved to go listen to their music.

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Pope conforms trip to Pompeii during public appearance

By VICTOR L. SIMPSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

VATICAN CITY (AP) — As concern for his health mounted, Pope John Paul II presided at his general audience Wednesday and said that "God willing" he will visit a shrine in Pompeii next week.

The frail 83-year-old pope appeared alert and read his speeches in various languages at the audience attended by some 12,000 people in St. Peter's Square. He waved to the crowd as he was driven in an open vehicle around the square.

He said that "God willing, on Oct. 7" he would make a pilgrimage to a shrine dedicated to the Virgin Mary in Pompeii, near Naples.

John Paul missed his general audience last week because of what the Vatican called a mild intestinal ailment.

His appearance came after one of his closest advisers was quoted as saying in remarks published Tuesday that John Paul was "in a bad way" and urged Catholics to pray for him.

The comments by German Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger raised

concerns the pope's health might have deteriorated beyond his obvious frailty. The pontiff suffers from Parkinson's disease, which makes it very difficult for him to speak and walk.

"He is in a bad way," Ratzinger told the German weekly Bunte. "We should pray for the pope."

The comments were made Sept. 22, a day before the pontiff came down with the intestinal ailment.

Ratzinger's aide at the Vatican, the Rev. Georg Gaenswein, told The Associated Press the cardinal in no way indicated John Paul's

health had worsened recently.

Gaenswein said Ratzinger was responding to a request by a group of visiting German brewers to have an audience with the pontiff while they were in Rome.

"They were told, 'Unfortunately, this is not possible. The pope's health doesn't allow him to make a lot of physical effort,'" Gaenswein recalled.

The pope will also celebrate a Mass on Sunday on the steps of St. Peter's Basilica to raise three churchmen to sainthood. Canonization ceremonies generally

last about two hours, an indication the pope's doctors think he has the stamina for the appearance.

Gaenswein noted that conserving strength was particularly important in the run-up to a heavy schedule John Paul has given himself for October, including celebrations of his 25th anniversary as pope.

On Saturday, John Paul holds talks at the Vatican with the Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams. The talks are likely to cover the recent explosive decision of the U.S. Episcopal Church to name its first openly gay bishop.

Russia highlights similarities with United States on postwar Iraq

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia played up its similarities with the United States on postwar Iraq on Wednesday, saying that both countries favor a swift restoration of sovereignty and that their differences can be bridged during discussions of a new U.N. resolution.

The comments are the latest indication that Russia, a veto-wielding U.N. Security Council member that opposed the U.S.-led war, is prepared to cooperate with Washington on a new U.N. resolution that would bring more troops and money into

Iraq. Talks between U.S. and Russian officials in Washington on Tuesday "confirmed that Russia and the United States agree on the need for the swiftest possible restoration of Iraq's sovereignty and its full reintegration into the regional and international communities," Russia's Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

The statement went on to

say that "the remaining differences in the Russian and American approaches to the resolution of these tasks involve tactics of action and, in the opinion of both sides, can be overcome in the course of the completion of a new draft U.N. Security Council resolution on Iraq."

Deputy Foreign Minister Yuri Fedotov, the top Russian official at Tuesday's talks, said Monday at the

United Nations that Russia wants a "realistic but short" timeline for handing over power in Iraq. He also said Russia is prepared to accept a stage-by-stage transition provided the United Nations receives a major political role.

In Tuesday's meeting, the Russian side emphasized "the importance of granting the U.N. substantial authority in the process of the post-

war restoration of Iraq," the Foreign Ministry statement said.

According to the statement, U.S. officials "confirmed their readiness to provide for nondiscriminatory conditions for Russian companies and organizations that are interested in carrying out long-term economic projects in Iraq."

It also said that more than 75 percent of Russian con-

tracts under the U.N. oil-for-food program, which allowed for trade despite U.N. sanctions against Saddam Hussein's regime, have been given priority status, suggesting Russia hopes the contracts will be paid.

Russia helped prevent the United States from winning U.N. approval for the war in Iraq but has since sought to mend ties frayed by the disagreement.

DRILLING INTENTIONS

Intentions to Drill
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. CANADIAN Lower Morrow) Crest Resources, Inc., #3138 Mahler, 1325' from North & 825' from West line, Sec. 138.42.H&TC, PD 12500'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & STORM Tonkawa) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con, Inc., #135 Mathers Link, 467' from South & 510' from East line, Sec. 35.41.H&TC, PD 9000'.

Applications to Plug-Back
HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #A-40 Herring 'A&B', 4787' from North & 500' from West line, E. Almaguer Survey, PD 3600'.

WHEELER (ALLISON-BRITT 12350') Devon Louisiana Corp., #1 Holt, 1980' from South & East line, Sec. 20.RE.R&E, PD 13290'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & ALLISON-PARKS Granite Wash) Crawley Petroleum

Corp., #1 Williams '24', 760' from North & 540' from East line, Sec. 24.RE.R&E, PD 15000'.

Gas Well Completions
GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #3 Barker 'A', Sec. 68.E.D&P, spud 3-25-03, drlg. compl 3-30-03, tested 6-16-03, potential 78 MCF, TD 2887'.

GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #3 Moreman, Sec. 10.3.B&B, spud 4-1-03, drlg.

compl 4-3-03, tested 4-28-03, potential 470 MCF, TD 2471'.


HEMPHILL (N.W. CANADIAN Douglas) BP America Production Co., #3107 Frass, Sec. 107.42.H&TC, spud 4-30-03, drlg. compl 5-28-03, tested 9-5-03, TD 7050', PBTD 6923'.

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Unit Petroleum Co., #2 Cleveland, Sec. 88.41.H&TC, spud 1-26-03, drlg. compl 2-16-03, tested 8-26-03, TD 8335', PBTD 8300'.

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Cordillera Energy Partners, #11 Flowers, Sec. 224.C.G&MMB&A, spud 4-8-03, drlg. compl 5-4-03, tested 6-5-03, potential 783 MCF, TD 10950', PBTD 10903'.

WHEELER (P.C.X. Granite Wash) EOG Resources, Inc., #1 Williams '33', Sec. 33.RE.R&E, spud 5-2-03, drlg. compl 6-3-03, tested 8-16-03, TD 14381', PBTD 14220'.

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July Texas Top 10 oil and gas producing counties ranked by preliminary production

COUNTY	CRUDE OIL (BBLs)	COUNTY	TOTAL GAS (MCF)
1. GAINES	2,522,680	1. ZAPATA	22,779,473
2. YOAKUM	2,087,085	2. HIDALGO	22,730,066
3. ANDREWS	2,027,494	3. WEBB	19,797,037
4. HOCKLEY	1,824,654	4. FREESTONE	19,578,684
5. ECTOR	1,714,032	5. PANOLA	19,381,409
6. SCURRY	972,603	6. PECOS	16,429,560
7. MIDLAND	859,718	7. WISE	13,212,682
8. CRANE	782,061	8. STARR	12,999,286
9. PECOS	781,868	9. CROCKETT	9,934,474
10. UPTON	609,967	10. YOAKUM	9,715,976

August Texas oil and gas drilling permits and completions by district

RAILROAD COMMISSION DISTRICT	PERMITS TO DRILL OIL/GAS HOLES	OIL COMPLETIONS	GAS COMPLETIONS
(1) SAN ANTONIO AREA	37	5	22
(2) REFUGIO AREA	77	15	39
(3) SOUTHEAST TEXAS	90	16	41
(4) DEEP SOUTH TEXAS	125	4	90
(5) EAST CENTRAL TX	54	1	37
(6) EAST TEXAS	114	10	54
(7B) WEST CENTRAL TX	47	13	12
(7C) SAN ANGELO AREA	98	19	86
(8) MIDLAND	121	178	16
(8A) LUBBOCK AREA	79	31	5
(9) NORTH TEXAS	135	28	54
(10) PANHANDLE	70	5	29

RRC posts monthly statistics

AUSTIN — The Texas Railroad Commission issued a total of 1,047 original drilling permits in August 2003 compared to 879 in August 2002. The August total included 813 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 39 to re-enter existing well bores, and 195 for re-

completions. Permits issued in August 2003 included 192 oil, 338 gas, 464 oil and gas, 37 injection, one service and 15 other permits. Texas preliminary July 2003 crude oil production averaged 937,487 barrels daily, down from the 953,790 barrels

daily average of July 2002. The preliminary Texas crude oil production figure for July 2003 is 29,194,128 barrels, a decrease from 29,567,497 barrels reported during July 2002. In August 2003, operators reported 325 oil, 485 gas, 23

injection, and eight other compared to 239 oil, 509 gas, 24 injection and one other permits during August 2002. Total well completions for 2003 year to date are 6,673 up from 6,414 recorded during the same period in 2002.

Operators reported 730 holes plugged and 57 dry holes in August 2003 compared to 493 plugged and 61 dry holes in August 2002. Texas oil and gas wells produced 453,561,395 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas based

upon preliminary production figures for July 2003, down from the July 2002 preliminary gas production total of 483,281,476 Mcf. Texas production in July 2003 came from 139,735 oil and 61,484 gas wells.

Agreement near on electricity compromise in energy legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawmakers trying to work out an energy bill are near agreement on two divisive issues that have hamstrung the talks for nearly a week — one involving electricity transmission rules and another over the future of a gasoline additive that contaminates drinking water. On both issues "we're very close" to a compromise that both the House and Senate can accept, Louisiana Rep. Billy Tauzin, who leads the House Republicans in the energy talks, said Tuesday. A Senate Republican source close to the largely GOP-controlled negotiations said an announcement was expected as early as Thursday on the electricity section and on how to deal with the gasoline additive MTBE,

which many lawmakers want to ban. Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., said he still hoped to wrap up the negotiations by the end of the week. Tauzin said if that was possible, the House could take up a final energy bill next week, while the Senate is in recess. But sources involved in the negotiations said some details remained to be worked out on the complicated electricity section of the energy document. And in separate talks, lawmakers have yet to finish work on \$16 billion to \$18 billion in tax benefits, a majority of the provisions aimed at boosting energy production, that will be wrapped into the legislation. A regional dispute over how much authority federal officials should have over designing and managing the nation's electricity transmission sys-

tem has held up agreement on the electricity section. Demands for Congress to take steps to improve the reliability of the nation's electric grid grew louder after the August blackout that hit the Northeast. So far, according to sources close to the talks, general agreements have been reached on: — Mandatory reliability standards, with penalties for violators, for grid operators, instead of the self-regulating approach the industry has today. — Authority to give the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission the right to take private property for critical interstate, high-voltage lines if states do not act. — Additional financial incentives,

including more favorable tax provisions, for building power lines. — Repeal of a 1935 law that has limited the ability of large utility holding companies to invest in non-utility businesses. But the regional dispute over federal control has yet to be resolved. Many lawmakers from the Midwest and Northeast, areas that have aggressively pursued the shift to competitive electricity markets, have argued that such markets need nationwide rules and standards, including mandatory participation in regional grid management organizations. This "is certainly not the time to allow parochial concerns to trump the national interest," argues Lynne Church, president of the Electric Power Supply Association, which

represents competitive power producers and marketers. But she said Tuesday it appeared the energy discussions were shifting the other direction. Senators from the South and Far West want to block FERC from imposing a grid design and management plan, fearing that such a plan would force states to embrace competitive electricity markets — and possibly higher electricity prices. Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., a strong critic of the FERC proposal, wants it delayed and Senate GOP negotiators have tried to accommodate him. One GOP House participant in the talks said Tuesday a compromise was near that he believed would satisfy Shelby's concerns, but he declined to provide details.

American students not overburdened with homework, study finds

WASHINGTON (AP) — The image of students lugging home heavy packs of books may be familiar in many homes, but two new studies offer a different picture: The nation's homework load is light. "The popular belief out there, the conventional wisdom, is that homework is rising and becoming onerous. It's just simply not true," said Tom Loveless, director of the Brown Center on Education Policy at The Brookings Institution, a Washington think tank. Most students have less than an hour of homework a night, according to a Brookings analysis of a broad range of homework research.

The report is based on data from the Education Department, international surveys and research by the University of Michigan and the University of California-Los Angeles, among other sources. For example, when asked how much homework they were assigned the day before, most students age 9, 13 and 17 all reported less than an hour, according to a federal long-term survey in 1999. The share of students assigned more than an hour of homework has dropped for all three age groups since 1984. Only about one in 10 high school students does a substantial amount of homework — more than two hours a

night — according to a separate study co-authored by Brian Gill of the RAND Corp., another research group. The figure has held fairly stable for 50 years. "It's important to acknowledge that this is not true for everybody," Gill said. "All those stories about overloaded kids — we're not suggesting that kids and parents are lying. It's just that it's pretty clear that those stories are the exception rather than the norm." Given homework's positive link to achievement as students get older, parents and educators must have their final year of public schooling, those in France, Italy, Russia and South Africa reported spending at least twice as much time

on homework as American students. One rule of thumb within education is that students should get 10 minutes of homework per grade per night — such as 30 minutes a night for third-graders, or 90 minutes a night for ninth-graders. Still, the long-running question over how much homework is too much, or too little, is often answered in local terms. Lynbrook High School in San Jose, Calif., is experimenting with guidelines designed to ensure homework is limited

and relevant. Homework over weekends and holidays is discouraged at the high-achieving school, where the vast majority of students have packed calendars and college plans. In essence, the new studies' findings don't apply at Lynbrook, said principal Mike White. "We're trying to relieve some of the pressure on them, to teach them to be a real person, and to put some balance in their lives," said White of his 1,700 students. "It's not all about homework."

June Shoemaker, a fourth-grade teacher in Twin Lakes, Wis., tries not to assign any homework. She'd rather contain her math lessons to class, where she can teach students to think about the concepts, than assign work at home, where memorization drills may be encouraged by parents. "Many of our families have two people working, and the kids go home to empty homes or to day care, so there's just not a lot of support for homework," Shoemaker said. "That's not fair to the kids."

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Fearful Child Dreads His Summer Visit With Dad

DEAR ABBY: I am 10 years old and live with my mom, my sister and brother in Texas. My grandparents and my aunt live nearby, and they come over a lot. They are always telling me how important it is to visit my dad and his family in Chicago and to have a good relationship with them.

Abby, I spend six weeks with my dad every summer — and I don't want to go there any more. Dad never keeps his promises to me, and he is always threatening me with "the belt." I am afraid of him. My Chicago grandparents tell me they love me more than my Texas grandparents, but they don't call me very often, and I hate that they say bad things about my mom.

How can I get out of visiting my dad next summer?

SICK OF VISITING MY DAD

DEAR SICK OF VISITING: If you haven't already done so, tell your mother how you feel and why. Your mother should speak to your father and explain that his form of discipline is not only not working, but it's driving you away and is emotionally abusive. She should also speak to the lawyer who represented her in the divorce about the visitation arrangement. Perhaps your visit should be supervised. Please show your mother this letter.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 22-year-old college senior. My live-in fiance, "Ray," is 31 and divorced. We have an infant son together. His three children, all under 12, are with us every other weekend.

When I entered this relationship, I had no concept of the tremendous responsibilities I would be taking on. Besides a full-time class schedule, I take care of our baby, cook every meal and clean the house. I also look after Ray's kids when they're here.

Because of our age difference, I sometimes feel that my values and goals conflict with Ray's. I want to focus on my career, but Ray feels my household duties should come first. I do not want to be the only one shouldering the burden. I want to have a professional life after I graduate. Ray does not make me feel appreciated, and I need advice

about what to do about it. — **OVERLOADED AND UNDERVALUED IN PITTSBURGH**

DEAR OVER/UNDER: You and Ray appear to have different priorities. You want a career; he wants a housekeeper and baby sitter for his children. Ideally, your fiance should be helping you to achieve your goals. If you cannot fully express your feelings to him and arrive at a compromise, it may be time to re-evaluate your feelings about this entire relationship before it goes any further.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are discussing divorce after only eight months of marriage. Neither of us is happy, and I guess we weren't as ready as we thought we were. I feel terrible about the \$20,000 my parents spent on our wedding, not to mention all the beautiful and expensive gifts we received from family and friends.

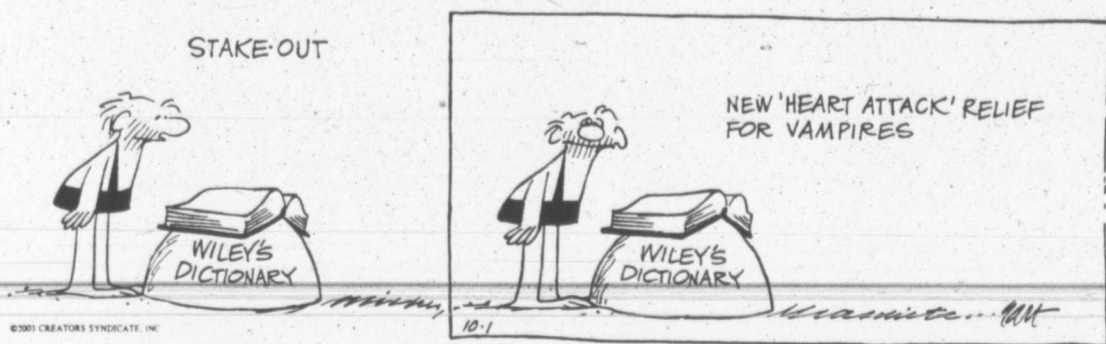
Should we pay my parents back the money? What should we do about the gifts? Please help us do the right thing.

NOT HAPPILY EVER AFTER IN TEXAS

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SPORTS

Harvesters seek to go 2-0 in district play

PAMPA — Unbeaten Pampa has a chance to push ahead and pick up more ground in the District 3-4A race with a victory over Plainview on Friday night.

It's not expected to be easy. The Bulldogs still have Taber Minner, last year's leading rusher in the area, who rushed for 221 yards and two touchdowns in Plainview's 20-18 win over Pampa in 2002.

And, of course, the Bulldogs still have the Pride of Plainview Band, which may be the area's loudest high school band.

"I believe Plainview is better than Randall, and we're also going to have to deal with their band. It's hard to take snaps out of the shotgun when you have to deal with all that noise," said Pampa head coach Heath Parker. "We'll be working on that this week."

Pampa has a perfect 5-0 record with wins over Perryton (37-0), Lubbock Estacado (35-0), Amarillo High (31-17), Borger (32-0) and Randall (35-17). Plainview lost its opener to Borger (27-21, in overtime), but has since beaten Lubbock Coronado (51-21), Canyon (38-10), Big Spring (51-0) and Dumas (38-27). Minner continues piling

Stadium seats still available

It was announced at Monday night's Harvester Booster Club meeting that a limited supply of stadium seats (green and gold woven stadium seats and the green canvas, metal frame stadium seats) are available to the public.

Many fans have asked if the booster club would have the stadium seats again this year. The seats will be on sale at the concession stand.

up a mountain of rushing yards. The 185-pound senior racked up 293 yards and three touchdowns in the Plainview win over Dumas to open the district season.

Defenses can't just concentrate on Minner. Quarterback Danny Garcia (5-10, 165-pound senior) has a strong arm with over 900 yards in passing so far this season.

Pampa's offense was sparked by senior quarterback Johnny Moore and the defense was led by senior linebacker Mac Smith in last

Friday night's big win over Randall, which had come into Harvester Stadium with a 4-0 record.

Moore rushed for 180 yards on 25 carries and a touchdown. He also threw for 150 yards, including a 62-yard, TD pass to Jesse Tarango.

Smith had a 22-yard inter-

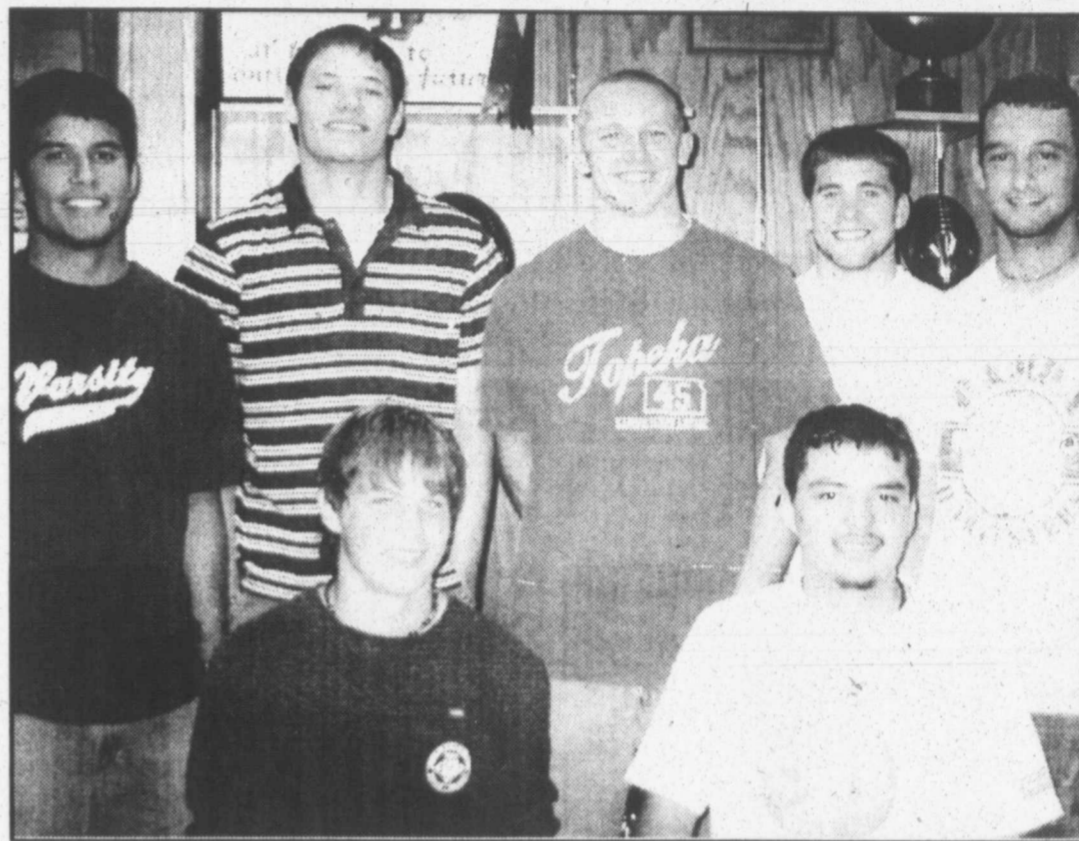
ception return for a touchdown. He also had three solo tackles and 10 unassisted tackles.

Junior cornerback Shea Brown had a pair of pass interceptions and senior defensive end Derek Lewis had a fumble recovery.

For his blocking against

the Raiders, senior tackle Greg Wiley was graded as the offensive player of the week by the PHS coaching staff.

The Harvesters were recognized by the Associated Press schoolboy football poll this week, receiving one vote in the 4A rankings.



(Photo by Billie Dixon)

Players of the Week selected by the Harvester coaching staff are: Front row, l-r, Chris Stabel, freshmen; Mateo Campos, junior varsity; Back row, l-r, Johnny Moore, varsity scout team; Greg Wiley, varsity offense; Derek Lewis and Mac Smith, varsity defense; Seth Foster, varsity special teams.

NOTEBOOK

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa Optimist Club will be holding Girls Basketball Signups for third through sixth graders on Oct. 6-7 from 6 to 8 and Oct. 9 from 6 to 7 at the Optimist Gym.

Player's fee is \$55. All girls, including all returning players, will need to attend a short skills drill at the time of registration.

Contact Sheri Tice for at 665-3505 if more information is needed.

GENERAL

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BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — The Minnesota Twins are loose heading into Game 2 of their AL playoff series against the Yankees, a stark contrast to Johan Santana, their pitcher in the opener.

Playing their first post-season game in Yankee Stadium, the Twins were guarding a one-run lead in the fifth inning when Santana cramped up.

"One thing you don't do is show panic in the dugout," Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire said. "So I just said, 'Well, let's have some fun. We are going to piece it together.' And that's what we did."

An inning later, Torii Hunter circled the bases when his line drive resulted in a pair of misplays that led to two runs, and the Twins finally beat New York, tripping up the stumbling Yankees 3-1 on Tuesday.

New York had stomped on the Twins during the past two seasons, going 13-0 and outscoring them 90-36. But Minnesota won its seventh straight post-season opener, taking control of the series heading into Thursday's game, when Brad Radke opposes New York's Andy Pettitte.

"It's been a running joke the last couple of days — we might just as well scrimmage these guys and get them warmed up for the next round, because that's where everybody's putting them," Minnesota's Jacques Jones said.

New York was favored in last year's division series, too, before Anaheim won in four games to end a run of four consecutive AL pennants.

The Yankees have dropped four straight post-season games for the first time since the 1981 World Series against the Dodgers, not exactly what owner George Steinbrenner was expecting when he set payroll records last winter in an effort to get his team its first Series title since 2000.

Pampa tennis team wins first round of 3-4A action

AMARILLO — The Pampa High tennis team has firm control of first place going into the second round of District 3-4A.

Pampa defeated Caprock 12-7 Tuesday to end the first round with a perfect 6-0 record.

"We came out of the doubles matches with a lead of 5-2, and then won seven of 12 singles matches. The Caprock girls gave our girls some tough competition with them taking four of the

six singles matches, while our boys pretty much dominated the singles play by winning five of the six matches," said PHS head coach Travis Eggleton.

Players of the week are senior Adam Etchison and sophomore Ashlee Lucus.

The Harvester travel to Randall on Saturday for the second round of district action.

Pampa 12, Caprock 7

Boys Singles
Britton White (P) def.

Josh Rollons, 6-2, 6-3.

Zach Hucks (P) def. Eli Guzman, 6-3, 6-1.

Adam Etchison (P) def.

Jared Kirchgessner, 6-3, 6-3.

Alex Gutierrez (C) def.

Austin Morton, 6-2, 7-5.

Mitchell Crow (P) def.

Jose Bazaldua, 6-1, 6-2.

Nick Robbins (P) def.

Matt Frausto, 6-1, 6-2.

Steven Smith (P) def. J.

Hernandez, 8-4.

Girls Singles

Ashley Ellis (C) def. Tara

Jordan, 6-1, 6-0.

Rachel Ramirez (C) def.

Lacie Long, 6-4, 6-1.

Charity Andrews (C) def.

Myca Vinson, 6-1, 6-2.

Brandi Lill (C) def. Erin

Norris, 6-2, 6-2.

Ashlee Lucus (P) def.

Justina Hernandez, 6-4, 6-4.

Payton Baird (P) def.

Melissa Johnson, 6-1, 6-2.

Lauren Denney (P) def.

Michelle Allegretti, 8-3.

Boys Doubles

White-Hucks (P) def.

Rollins-Guzman, 6-1, 6-4.

Etchison-Crow (P) def.

Kirchgessner-Gutierrez, 6-2, 7-5.

Robbins-Smith (P) def. Bazaldua-Frausto, 6-1, 7-5.

Girls Doubles

Ellis-Lill (C) def. Jordan-Lucus, 6-2, 6-2.

Ramirez-Andrews (C) def. Long-Vinson, 6-4, 7-5.

Baird-Denney (P) def. Johnson-Allegretti, 7-6 (8-6), 7-6 (7-2).

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Norris-Morton (P) def. Saldívar-Hernandez, 4-6, 6-1, 7-5.

Texas Tech QB Symons putting up monster numbers

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — For three years, B.J. Symons swallowed hard and paced the Texas Tech sidelines.

There was never a competition or debate over who would start at quarterback for the Red Raiders. Kliff Kingsbury was it. Case closed.

Maybe it shouldn't have been.

Symons has made only four starts and already has set the Big 12 single-game passing record, then broken it. Only two Division I-A quarterbacks have ever had bigger games, and neither is named Kingsbury.

"I'm not going to lie, it feels good to see," Symons said. "I've waited my time and worked hard to get to this point. I'm just glad to see that it's paid off."

Although Symons accept-

ed the backup role the past three seasons, plus a redshirt year, he considers his 586-yard performance in a loss to North Carolina State and the 661 yards in a win over Mississippi proof that he could've done the job sooner.

"Obviously, you want to be on the field," he said. "It was hard not to play for four years. But I think it's made it more sweet."

The sweetness includes calls from friends about seeing his performance mentioned on national sports shows, leading the nation in several statistical categories and having the Red Raiders (3-1) clicking heading into the conference opener at home against rival Texas A&M (2-2) on Saturday night.

While Symons leads the nation in total offense (509 yards per game) and passing yards (1,962), he's quick to

share the credit with his receivers — four of whom are among the top 50 in the nation in receiving yards per game. Carlos Francis leads the way at No. 12, followed by Mickey Peters (33), Nehemiah Glover (47) and Wes Welker (50).

"It's a huge advantage for me and it's a huge advantage for our offense to have those playmakers out there," Symons said. "They make my job easy. Those guys get open and I really have just got to deliver that ball."

Glover said Symons' emotion and enthusiasm make him a successful leader.

"I wish they'd put a microphone in the huddle just to hear some of the things he says to get us motivated, just to get us ready to play," Glover said, noting that some aren't suitable to print. "It's great to have a quarterback

like that."

The big numbers by Symons and Kingsbury are byproducts of the quick-passing system taught by Tech coach Mike Leach. While Leach touted Kingsbury for the Heisman Trophy last season, when he threw for more than 5,000 yards and 45 touchdowns, critics said he was a product of the system.

Now the same might be said of Symons, who came into this season with 545 career yards passing and seven touchdowns. He threw for six against Ole Miss, two in the final eight minutes to erase an 11-point deficit, and he ran for another.

Leach said Symons' experience in the system is paying off, as is his familiarity with the receivers.

"I guess the most pleasant surprise is he got warmed up pretty quickly and stepped in

pretty quickly," Leach said. "I thought he might, but even this was quicker than I expected, really."

Leach said Symons also is benefiting from an improved offensive line and from the Red Raiders often facing poor field position. After all, against N.C. State, he threw for 586 yards and Tech still lost 49-21.

"You're not going to throw for 600 yards if you get the ball around midfield all the time," Leach said.

The benefit of Symons' monster outings go beyond record books. They also have given Tech exposure it wouldn't get from non-conference games against unranked teams. That in turn can make potential recruits take notice of a school that otherwise only gets national attention for its basketball coach, Bob Knight.

Schmidt tosses shutout at Marlins

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Juan Pierre thought the Florida Marlins got hit by a bus. Derrek Lee thought it was the best game pitched against his team all year.

For Jason Schmidt, his latest gem was just another dominating performance in a breakthrough season by San Francisco's 17-game winner with the National League's lowest ERA.

Schmidt pitched the

Giants' first playoff shutout in 16 years, throwing a three-hitter for a 2-0 victory over the Marlins in Game 1 Tuesday.

"Once spring training started, I was ready to roll this year," said Schmidt, who has gradually gained confidence since coming to the Giants from Pittsburgh two years ago. "I couldn't wait to get back here again."

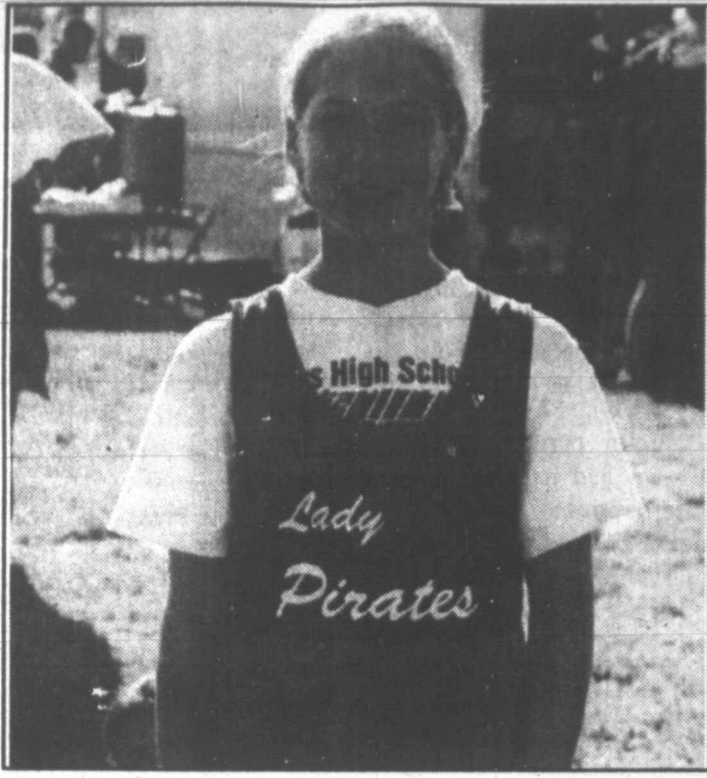
Schmidt outdueled Josh Beckett while Barry Bonds

and the Giants took advantage of a costly error by fill-in Florida third baseman Miguel Cabrera to score the go-ahead run.

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Lefors 7th grader Valerie Willis (above) placed 20th at the Amarillo junior high cross country meet. Her time was 14:54. Teammate Misty Pairsh was 26th with a time of 15:38. Others competing were Tori Meeks (16:28) and Emily Jackson (17:03).

Pampa Bowling Roundup

Harvester Lanes League Standings			Wednesday Night Mixed League		
Week 4			Week 4		
Team	Won	Lost	Team	Won	Lost
Pampa Transmission	11	5	Andy's W.S.	13	3
G.B.'s Contractors	9	7	Lefors FCU	9	7
Whitehead Cattle Co.	9	7	Gutter Busters	9	7
U.M.C.	9	7	Team Three	9	7
Harvester Cafe	8	8	Bob's Bandits	8	8
Schiffman Machine	6	10	Reed's Welding	8	8
B&K Carpentry	6	10	Beta Tex	7	9
Now and Then	6	10	Chez-Tanz	6	10
			Harvester Lanes	5	11
			Davis Minit Mart	4	12

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Cubs 4, Braves 2

ATLANTA (AP) — On the first day of spring training, Dusty Baker told his new team to forget the past.

In Game 1 of the NL division series, the often-hapless Chicago Cubs were focused firmly on the future.

That road losing streak in the playoffs? It's history. Led by Kerry Wood, Chicago beat the Atlanta Braves 4-2 Tuesday night for its first postseason victory outside of Wrigley Field since 1945.

"It's good to get that out of the way," said Baker, the Cubs' first-season manager. "That's a big, big, big game in a five-game series."

Wood did it all. He limited the NL's best offensive team to two hits in 7 1-3 innings, and drove in the go-ahead runs with a double off 21-game winner Russ Ortiz in the sixth.

"He wanted this badly," Baker said. "A good pitcher turned into a great pitcher."

The Cubs were cheered on by thousands of their well-traveled fans, who transformed Turner Field into Wrigley Field South.

The roar was enormous when Wood drove in two runs with a drive to the wall in left-center, breaking a 1-all tie.

"I've never seen anything like this," Chicago first baseman Eric Karros said. "At some points, it seemed like the Cubs fans were louder than the Braves fans."

SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL							Seattle at Green Bay, 1 p.m.	
National Football League							Denver at Kansas City, 1 p.m.	
At A Glance							Cincinnati at Buffalo, 1 p.m.*	
By The Associated Press							New Orleans at Carolina, 1 p.m.	
All Times EDT							Tennessee at New England, 1 p.m.	
AMERICAN							San Diego at Jacksonville, 4:05 p.m.	
East							Detroit at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.	
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Washington at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m.	
Miami	2	1	0	.667	58	38	Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 8:30 p.m.	
Buffalo	2	2	0	.500	89	57	Open: N.Y. Jets, St. Louis, Baltimore, Houston	
New England	2	2	0	.500	71	77	Monday, Oct. 6	
N.Y. Jets	0	4	0	.000	45	77	Indianapolis at Tampa Bay, 9 p.m.	
South							BASEBALL	
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Postseason Baseball	
Indianapolis	4	0	0	1.000	120	47	At A Glance	
Tennessee	3	1	0	.750	89	78	By The Associated Press	
Houston	2	2	0	.500	69	113	All Times EDT	
Jacksonville	0	4	0	.000	73	109	DIVISION SERIES	
North							(Best-of-5)	
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	American League	
Baltimore	2	2	0	.500	82	74	New York vs. Minnesota	
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	.500	84	96	Tuesday, Sept. 30	
Cincinnati	1	3	0	.250	61	84	Minnesota 3, New York 1, Minnesota leads series 1-0	
Cleveland	1	3	0	.250	46	75	Thursday, Oct. 2	
West							Minnesota (Radke 14-10) at New York (Petitte 21-8),	
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	8:18 p.m. (FOX)	
Denver	4	0	0	1.000	118	49	Saturday, Oct. 4	
Kansas City	4	0	0	1.000	127	58	New York (Clemens 17-9) at Minnesota (Lohse 14-11)	
Oakland	2	2	0	.500	87	107	Sunday, Oct. 5	
San Diego	0	4	0	.000	68	122	New York at Minnesota, if necessary	
NATIONAL							Monday, Oct. 6	
East							Minnesota at New York, if necessary	
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Oakland vs. Boston	
Washington	3	1	0	.750	90	85	Wednesday, Oct. 1	
Dallas	2	1	0	.667	65	65	Boston (Martinez 14-4) at Oakland (Hudson 16-7),	
N.Y. Giants	2	1	0	.667	79	69	10:06 p.m. (ESPN)	
Philadelphia	1	2	0	.333	33	61	Thursday, Oct. 2	
South							Boston (Wakefield 11-7) at Oakland (Zito 14-12), 4:06	
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	p.m. (ESPN2)	
Carolina	3	0	0	1.000	59	35	Saturday, Oct. 4	
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	57	22	Oakland (Lilly 12-9) at Boston (Lowe 17-7)	
Atlanta	1	3	0	.250	71	100	Sunday, Oct. 5	
New Orleans	1	3	0	.250	74	119	Oakland at Boston, if necessary	
North							Monday, Oct. 6	
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Boston at Oakland, if necessary	
Minnesota	4	0	0	1.000	112	58	National League	
Green Bay	2	2	0	.500	107	79	San Francisco vs. Florida	
Detroit	1	3	0	.250	77	98	Tuesday, Sept. 30	
Chicago	0	3	0	.000	43	111	San Francisco 2, Florida 0, San Francisco leads series	
West							1-0	
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Wednesday, Oct. 1	
Seattle	3	0	0	1.000	89	33	Florida (Penny 14-10) at San Francisco (Ponson 3-6),	
St. Louis	2	2	0	.500	100	84	4:06 p.m. (ESPN)	
Arizona	1	3	0	.250	57	130	Friday, Oct. 3	
San Francisco	1	3	0	.250	92	82	San Francisco (Rueter 10-5) at Florida (Redman 14-9),	
Sunday's Games							4:06 p.m. (ESPN2)	
St. Louis 37, Arizona 13							Saturday, Oct. 4	
Tennessee 30, Pittsburgh 13							San Francisco (J. Williams 7-5) at Florida (Willis 14-6),	
Houston 24, Jacksonville 20							if necessary	
Philadelphia 23, Buffalo 13							Sunday, Oct. 5	
Washington 20, New England 17							Florida at San Francisco, if necessary	
Cincinnati 21, Cleveland 14							Atlanta vs. Chicago	
Minnesota 35, San Francisco 7							Tuesday, Sept. 30	
Kansas City 17, Baltimore 10							Chicago 4, Atlanta 2, Chicago leads series 1-0	
Oakland 34, San Diego 31, OT							Wednesday, Oct. 1	
Dallas 17, N.Y. Jets 6							Chicago (Zambrano 13-11) at Atlanta (Hampton 14-8),	
Carolina 23, Atlanta 3							7:06 p.m. (ESPN)	
Denver 20, Detroit 16							Friday, Oct. 3	
Indianapolis 55, New Orleans 21							Atlanta (Maddux 16-11) at Chicago (Prior 18-6), 8:06	
Open: Miami, Seattle, N.Y. Giants, Tampa Bay							p.m. (ESPN)	
Monday's Game							Saturday, Oct. 4	
Green Bay 38, Chicago 23							Atlanta at Chicago (Clement 14-12), if necessary	
Sunday, Oct. 5							Sunday, Oct. 5	
Oakland at Chicago, 1 p.m.							Chicago at Atlanta, if necessary	
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Huffington out, new polls show strong support for 'Terminator'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Commentator-turned-politician Arianna Huffington pulled out of California's recall race even as a new poll shows strong support for ousting Gov. Gray Davis and installing Arnold Schwarzenegger to replace him.

Huffington, who was one of Davis's harshest critics on the campaign trail, on Tuesday dropped out of the campaign and urged her supporters to vote against the effort to remove Davis in order to block a potential Republican victory.

The exit of the only woman in a field that originally had six major candidates came as a second recent statewide poll showed voters were prepared to boot Davis and replace him with Schwarzenegger.

The Los Angeles Times poll showed the recall succeeding by a 56 percent to 42 percent margin. That was a shift from a Sept. 12 Times poll that showed support for the recall stalling, with 50 percent of voters supporting it and 47 percent in opposition.

Schwarzenegger had support from 40 percent of likely voters in Tuesday's poll. Lt. Gov. Bustamante had 32 percent and Republican state Sen. Tom McClintock had 15 percent.

Schwarzenegger spokesman Rob Stutzman welcomed the latest results.

"We're very gratified but still understand that there is a week to go in this campaign and Arnold won't let up one bit. He'll finish this campaign very strong," Stutzman said.

The poll is the first released since last week's debate — the only one featuring Schwarzenegger — that can be compared to earlier results and it shows how support has shifted. In the Sept. 12 survey, Bustamante led with 30 percent, Schwarzenegger had 25 percent and McClintock had 18 percent.

Schwarzenegger's surge may reflect the withdrawal of former

baseball commissioner Peter Ueberroth, another moderate Republican, who drew 8 percent in the Sept. 12 poll despite bowing out while it was being conducted.

In departing the race, Huffington said she would withhold endorsing anyone for now. "I want people to vote their conscience, but make sure that whatever their vote is it does not put Schwarzenegger in the

Statehouse," she said.

The latest Times poll showed her support slipped from 3 percent on Sept. 12 to less than 0.5 percent in the latest poll of 815 likely voters taken from Sept. 25-29 with a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Huffington's exit could help Bustamante — the Democrats' best hope of thwarting Schwarzenegger should Davis lose the recall vote. Bustamante

is more to the center of her left-leaning politics, but shares some of the same values.

In recent days, the recall race has focused on the matchup between Davis and Schwarzenegger. Huffington has criticized both, but took sharper aim at the former bodybuilder.

Appearing at a San Francisco news conference while Huffington made her announcement, Schwarzenegger said he

was disappointed at the loss. "She brought a lot of color and a lot of excitement to the race," he said.

Davis also praised Huffington and wished her well.

"I think Arianna Huffington has brought some wisdom and some clarity to the second question on this ballot, and I believe she's made a contribution to the dialogue that has begun over these last 70 to 75 days," the Democrat said.

Davis' campaign spokesman, Peter Ragone, meanwhile, downplayed the latest poll results, saying the Oct. 7 campaign remained fluid.

"As people look closer at the choices of Arnold Schwarzenegger and the Republicans and Gray Davis and the Democrats, it's going to continue to shift, and I think it's going to shift back away from the recall," Ragone said.

Early in the campaign, Green Party candidate Peter Camejo had an unofficial pact with Huffington calling for one of the two candidates to drop out if the other appeared close to a victory.

Camejo said he has no intention of withdrawing and said Huffington's withdrawal could help his candidacy and take votes away from other candidates. "Every poll shows if Arianna drops out, the Green Party would go up," he said.

South Pole evacuee now 'opening up'

DENVER (AP) — The ailing American research worker who was evacuated from the South Pole last month has broken his silence, describing the gallbladder pain he endured as "like a two-by-four jabbing into my stomach."

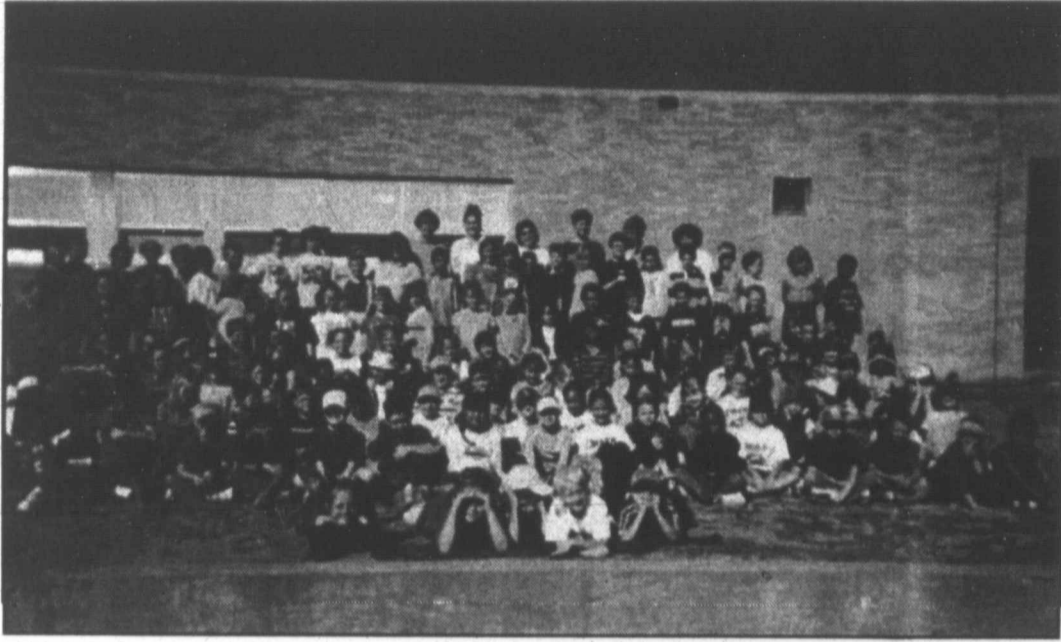
Barry McCue, whose rescue from the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station on Sept. 21 was delayed by nearly a week of blowing snow, was recovering from surgery at his daughter's home in Chicago.

McCue, 51, had requested anonymity during the rescue effort to protect his three grown children. He detailed his ordeal in a story published Wednesday in the Rocky Mountain News.

For 7 1/2 months, McCue was the base environmental safety and health coordinator. He was employed by Centennial, Colo.-based Raytheon Polar Services Co., the logistics contractor for the U.S. Antarctic research program.

McCue said his first gallbladder attack on Aug. 25 doubled him over, and he could barely drag himself 50 feet to see the base doctor. The pain subsided, but after McCue suffered a second attack a week later, consulting doctors in Denver, Boston, Baltimore and Galveston, Texas, unanimously recommended that McCue be airlifted.

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Former Oakland police officials found innocent on eight counts

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — A police corruption trial that dragged on for more than a year ended with jurors acquitting three former officers on eight counts and the judge declaring a mistrial on 27 other charges.

Jurors had said they were hopelessly deadlocked on the remaining counts. Prosecutors said they are unsure if they will seek another trial.

The judge on Tuesday declared a mistrial on the

unresolved charges. "The court finds no reasonable probability that the jury can agree" on the remaining counts, Superior Court Judge Leo Dorado said.

Alameda County District Attorney Tom Orloff said Tuesday that he will decide in the next few weeks whether to seek another trial of the former officers, who called themselves the "Riders" and worked the night shift in one of Oakland's roughest neigh-

borhoods. Federal prosecutors said they were reviewing whether they might help revive the case.

The former officers were charged with beating suspects, wrongfully accusing them of crimes, planting drugs and covering it all up by falsifying police reports.

The jury had been deliberating since May 29.

Attorneys for the former officers — Clarence "Chuck" Mabanag, Jude Siapno and

Matthew Hornung — had pleaded for an end to what they called the longest deliberations in a criminal trial in California history.

Jurors didn't respond to reporters' questions as they left the courthouse.

Siapno was found innocent of kidnapping and beating; Mabanag was innocent of presenting three false claims; and all three officers were found innocent of conspiring to falsely arrest a suspect.

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