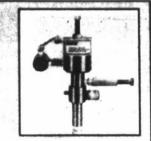
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NRA group to hold dinner, auction

High Plains Friends of NRA benefit dinner and auction is set for 6 p.m., Saturday, March 20, at M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Proceeds from the event benefit youth education, range development, conservation efforts and other qualified education programs of the National Rifle Association Foundation.

Tickets are \$25 each, \$40 per couple, and \$15 for youth ages 16 and under. For tickets, contact Keith Woods at 665-3379 or 806-570-8292.

DEATHS

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Mesa venture goes online

STAFF WRITER

BY DAVID BOWSER

DALLAS — Mesa Water Inc. has taken its efforts to sell Panhandle water into cyberspace.

The company, founded by Boone Pickens to market water from beneath his and his neighbors' Roberts County properties, has launched a website on the Internet www.mesawater.com information detailing about its ability to supply ground water to the Worth Dallas-Fort Metroplex or to San

Antonio. "We've reached the stage where people are coming to us on a regular basis with requests for information,' said Pickens, a Dallas businessman and Roberts County rancher. "Since our formation four-and-ahalf years ago, we've come a long, long way. We have everything required to get a project underway to supply 150,000 acre-feet of water per year to any municipality in the State of Texas." The only thing lacking, Pickens said, is a buyer.

"It can be done at or below the cost of other options in the state regional water plans," Pickens said, "and we can be up and running within five years of signing a contract. No other project I'm aware of can match that capability.'

The website gives

Mesa's history and information about the Ogallala Aquifer, the giant aquifer that stretches from Texas to South Dakota. It also describes how ground water could be moved from the top four counties in the northeastern Texas Panhandle – Roberts, Ochiltree, Lipscomb and Hemphill Counties - to major metropolitan areas in Texas. The methods described vary from a high-pressure pipeline to the Brazos River and agreements with the Brazos River Authority.

Mesa has high impact pumping permits from the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District

allowing it to pump formed in 1999, to devel-150,000 acre-feet of water per year. One acre-foot equals about 326,000 gallons.

Pickens said that 150,000 acre-feet of water would be enough to satisfy the needs of about 536,000 people in the Dallas-Fort Worth area for one year. The population of

Texas, Pickens said, is expected to double in the next 50 years, creating a critical need for Even with significant

conservation efforts, he said, additional water will be needed.

"Innovative proposals such as the Mesa Water project can help avert ecodamaging nomically municipal water shortages," Pickens said, "as soon as the end of the current decade."

Over the longer term, new dams and reservoirs can be built and other water saving strategies such as brush control can

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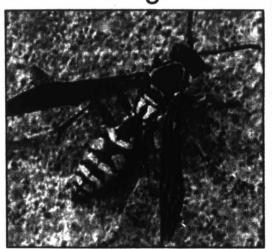
op and market water from Roberts County. Pickens said the move was defensive. With well fields scheduled for development by the City of Amarillo and the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority near his ranch on the south bank of the Canadian River, Pickens said he feared that the ground water would be sucked out from beneath his land.

He says that since its establishment more than \$30 million of private funds have been spent to create a viable plan to supply new, competitively priced water anywhere in the state.

More than 175 landowners from Roberts and surrounding counties have expressed an interest in selling their ground water with Mesa.

Mesa owns 90,000 acres of water rights. Landowners associated with the project have another 300,000 acres of water rights, Pickens said.

Winter sting



(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers) This wasp crawled slowly along the pavement in front of City Hall this morning, seeming to check the temperature for signs of spring. According to a website by the University of California Riverside's Department Entomology, the wasp shown above is not a yellowjacket but a paper wasp.

Packer trial: **Jurors rule** against IBP

By David Bowser STAFF WRITER

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The first act is over, but the fat lady hasn't sung yet.

A five-man, seven-woman jury in federal court here Tuesday found that IBP, now Tyson Fresh Meats, manipulated the cash cattle market. The jury recommended that IBP pay \$1.28 billion in damages to the cattlemen who sued the world's largest beef packer.

After deliberating for a week, the jury found that there is a national cattle market, that IBP's use of captive supplies (cattle committed to the packer without a negotiated price more than seven days prior to slaughter) had an anticompetitive effect on the cash cattle market, that IBP lacked legitimate business justification for using captive supplies, that captive supplies depressed the cash market and that IBP's use of captive supplies injured cattlemen selling livestock in the cash market.

Those five findings led the jury to determine that IBP damaged the cattle feeders in the cash market in the amount of \$1,281,690,000. The cattlemen suing IBP had asked for \$2 billion.

The cattlemen claimed that IBP would rely on captive supplies pledged through marketing agreements with various feedyards when cash cattle prices were high and only buy in the cash market when prices were low. The lack of bids in the cash market when prices were high, the cattlemen's legal team argued, forced prices

Although the jury found for the cattlemen Tuesday, the battle isn't over yet.

David Domina, an attorney for the cattlemen, said there would still be a flurry of postverdict motions.

U.S. Senior Judge Lyle Strom, who heard the case, still has to enter a final judgment, and he could vary the amount of the jury's recommended damages. He could even set the jury verdict aside.

"This verdict represents an extraordinary day for cattlemen in this country," said Randy Beard, the lead attorney for the cattlemen.

"The jury's decision reflects analysis of extensive powerful evidence gathered over seven and a half years and presented during a month-long trial," Domina said. "It means the

(See TRIAL, Page 2)

Dogs maul child; man bitten at library

BY MARILYN POWERS

STAFF WRITER

bites in two separate incidents which occurred Sunday and Monday.

A man was bitten on the hand by a dog at Lovett Memorial Library at about 6 p.m. Sunday. The dog is described as a cream-colored pit bull with a long tail and dragging a long chain.

The man was taken to the emergency room at Pampa Regional

bite was not severe. On Monday, a four-year-old girl

Pampa residents suffered dog was reportedly mauled by Rottweilers in the back yard of a house at 1117 Darby Street. She was treated for numerous injuries at . took the girl to the hospital, accord-Pampa Regional Medical Center's emergency room and then transferred to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

The girl was playing unsupervised in the back yard where there were four Rottweiler dogs, according to a press release from Pampa Medical Center on Monday for Police Department. At some point, treatment of the bite. Pampa one or more of the dogs attacked

Animal Control officers said the the young girl, causing injuries.

The owner of the residence. Janene Lucas, and the girl's father, Steve Organ, were at the house at the time of the attack. Lucas discovered the attack, intervened, and ing to the press release.

Animal control officers were dispatched to PRMC after a call was received concerning a victim of a dog mauling. The dogs were voluntarily surrendered to Animal Control authorities for further investigation and possible disposal.

> "This is an unfortunate incident (See BITES, Page 2)

Ambling along Aspen



⁴ Carl Warner and Lhasa apso, Sarah, enjoy a walk along Aspen Drive this morning. tempera-Warmer tures are forecast for today and tomorrow, with highs in the low 70s, making outdoor activities more appealing.

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POLICE

Pampa Police One Department today reported approximately 20 grams of the following incidents and a white powder, and the arrests.

Tuesday, Feb. 17 reported in the 2100 block reports, the white powder of Mary Ellen. The suspect was later arrested.

Assault was reported in the 400 block of East 17th. The victim was pushed and scratched. No other injuries were reported.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 800 block of Banks. No damage was reported. A purse and contents were taken, for an estimated loss of \$165.

Two reports of possession of a controlled sub-2100 block of Mary Ellen.

report involved other report concerned approximately 2.6 grams of Escape from custody was a white powder. In both was suspected to be cocaine.

Two reports of possession of drug paraphernalia were made in the 2100 block of Mary Ellen.

Vicki Lynn Ogden Merrick, 44, 2133 Mary Ellen, was arrested at her residence for escape from custody and for theft by check out of Hutchinson County.

Alice Hooks, 51, 121 N. Sumner, was arrested at her stance were made in the residence for making a terroristic threat.

CORRECTION

In the photo cutline on Page 1 of Tuesday's newspaper, the Precinct 7 board member being sworn in to the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District should have been identified as Kim Flowers. Flowers was correctly identified in the accompanying article.

AMBULANCE

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

Wednesday, Feb. 18

12:18 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Hilton Road and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

OBITUARIES

RAY L. SALSMAN

1922-2004

Ray L. Salsman, 81, of Pampa, died Monday, Feb. 16, 2004. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Roger A. Harwerth, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Borger, officiating. Entombment will be in Memory Gardens Mausoleum under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Salsman was born March 24, 1922, at Lone Wolf, Okla. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving as a corporal with the 7th Air Force Engineering Squadron during World War II. He served in the Pacific islands of Hawaii, Oahu, Gilbert Islands, Saipan, Guam and Okinawa.

He married Wanda J. Music on June 5, 1946, at Cordell, Okla.

He retired from Gifford-Hill Western and moved to Pampa in 1978 where he was employed by Texas Pipe and Metal and by

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and a sister.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Wanda Jean Salsman, of the home; two daughters, Sue Killough of Amarillo and Kathie Clark of Kingston, Okla.; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

SERVICES TOMORROW

FLAHERTY, George H. – 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

SALSMAN, Ray L. — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

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cattle business has a real chance to remain in the hands of independent producers, and not fall solely to contract growers controlled by integrated slaughterhouse companies.

"The verdict is a disappointment to our company and thousands of cattle producers who want to maintain the right to market cattle the way they want," said Gary Mickelson, a spokesman for

Mickelson said the verdict is only a temporary legal setback

'We will ask the judge to aside the verdict," Mickelson said. "If he does not act, we intend to appeal and fully expect the jury's decision to be reversed by the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals."

Tom Green, lead attorney for IBP, said there are a lot of Rothwell, Hyannis, Neb.,

that should be a strong reminder to watch our

children at all times and be aware of all possi-

ble dangers that surround them. Even though

this incident occurred in a confined, controlled

environment, I would just like to remind every-

one that the Pampa Police Department and

Pampa Animal Control take calls involving

dogs running at large and getting loose very

seriously," said Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner in

Sunday may face a series of rabies vaccina-

The man who was bitten at the library

WASHINGTON (AP) — A renown police

sketch artist from Houston is now involved in

the search for the serial arsonist who has

struck 34 times in the District of Columbia.

Alexandria, Va., and Prince George's County,

"I'm positive this is going to be as good a

sketch as I've ever done," Lois Gibson told

WRC-TV on Tuesday. "I'm just sure that this

is a really good likeness."

BITES

the news release.

problems with the jury's decision after the verdict was announced Tuesday morn-

"In my view, it's incompatible and inconsistent with the evidence," Green said. "I suspect that there will be a lot more to say about this verdict before it's all over."

Mike Allicrate, a St. Francis, Kan., cattle feeder and one of the cattlemen suing IBP, said he was delighted with the verdict.

"My children can now consider continuing our family's six generation tradition in the cattle business," said Chris Abbott of Gordon, Neb., and one of the cattlemen to sue IBP.

"This is the best news for my family and the families of independent producers country in decades," said Robert

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

Houston artist assisting in search for serial arsonist

has.

and another one of the cattlemen suing IBP.

Although the jury here found for the cattlemen, another trial awaits them.

In addition to monetary damages, the cattlemen had also asked the court to ban captive supplies. The cattlemen are now seeking an injunction to do just that.

The injunctive phase of the case will take several more months, probably a number of hearings and another trial with new witnesses and new testimony.

The lawsuit was filed against IBP in 1996. In December 2001, it was certified a class action suit, which included cattlemen who sold livestock to IBP in the cash market from Feb. 1, 1994, to Oct. 31, 2002.

Domina said funds would be disbursed in a claims procedure to be defined by the court at upcoming hearings.

tions if the dog is not located. Monty

Montgomery, local animal control officer, said

the man can wait a maximum of 10 days after

the bite before having to begin the shots if the

dog is not found or if the dog is determined to

have rabies. If the dog is found, it may be pos-

sible to determine whether it has rabies or has

or who has seen a cream-colored pit bull is

asked to call Animal Control at 669-5775 and

Gibson met with the lone witness to see the

suspect. That witness chased the suspect Sept.

14, before he could start a fire in Northeast

Washington. That led to a computer generat-

pect a completely different skull shape. She

also included a clustering of gray hair on the

top of his head, which she is positive the man

But Gibson said her sketch gives the sus-

ed sketch being issued the next day.

Anyone with information about the pit bull

had a recent rabies vaccination.

leave a message.

SHERIFF

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

Monday, Feb. 16

Carlos Fisher, Jr., 35, East St. Louis, Ill. was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for possession of a controlled substance over 200 grams and less than 400 grams, and aggravated assault of a peace offi-

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Melvin Dale Haynes, 46, 938 Schneider, was arrested after being sentenced on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

Bobby Ladell Dorsey, Jr., 17, 1032 Huff Road, was arrested and held for Texas Youth Corrections.

Mindy Holtman, 28, Gray County, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to signal, and failure to change information on driver's license.

Shannon Organ, 31, 1109 Terry, was arrested for failure to maintain insurance, expired driver's license, no seat belt and failure to appear.

Larry Cano, 19, 514 N. Warren, was arrested for two counts of evading arrest, bond surrender on a charge of burglary of a habitation, assault by threat and failure to appear.

Russell Owen, 37, Courtyard Apartments, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell, and no seat belt.

FIRE

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

Tuesday, Feb. 17

1:15 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a small grass fire in the 1300 block of West Wilks.

3:38 p.m. – Two units and three firefighters responded to the 1100 block of Terrace on a small grass fire.

4:56 p.m. - Five units and 10 firefighters responded to the 1100 block of North Cuyler on a structure fire. The fire was out on arrival, fire officials said.

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WEATHER FOCUS

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partly cloudy skies with lows in the mid 40s Friday, partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s.

Today's forecast is calling for partly rain in the morning. Windy, cooler. Highs in cloudy skies, highs in the lower 70s and south the lower 50s. North winds 20 to 30 mph. winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight should fall on Friday night, mostly clear. Lows in the mid 20s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid and south winds 15 to 20 mph. Thursday 50s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in should see partly cloudy skies. Highs in the the upper 20s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in lower 70s. Southwest winds 20 to 25 mph. the mid 50s. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Thursday night, partly cloudy. A 20 percent Lows around 30. Monday, partly cloudy. chance of rain after midnight. Windy. Lows in Highs in the upper 50s. Monday night, partly the mid 30s. Northwest winds 20 to 30 mph. cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Tuesday, partly

House panel questioning how USDA handled mad cow case

By IRA DREYFUSS ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House committee is chal-

lenging the Agriculture Department's view that the nation's first cow sick with deadly mad cow disease was Contrary to the depart-

ment, three eyewitnesses at the Washington state plant where the Holstein was slaughtered on Dec. 9 say the cow appeared healthy, lawmakers on the House Government Reform Committee said in a letter Tuesday to Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman.

The issue is significant because Agriculture Department officials that monitor meat plants target "downer" cattle — animals that are sick, injured or that exhibit symptoms of disease — for testing of mad cow, a brain-wasting illness. Critics have argued that the

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agency needs also test allowed it to send samples guard against the illness, which can incubate for four or five years.

Committee chairman Tom Davis, R-Va., and Rep. Henry Waxman, the senior Democrat on the committee, questioned the adequacy of the government's mad cow testing program.

"If the new information is accurate, USDA's surveillance system may need to be expanded," significantly they said.

"The new information also raises questions about USDA's credibility," wrote Davis and Waxman, of California. "The American people need to have confidence in what USDA reports about the safety of the food supply."

Tom Ellestad manages Vern's Moses Lake Meats, the small meat plant in Moses Lake, Wash., where the cow was slaughtered. He says the dairy cow was able to walk.

"The BSE-positive cow was not a downer," he said in an affidavit given to a watchdog group, Government Accountability Project, which was cited in the lawmakers' letter.

In a telephone interview Tuesday The with Associated Press, Ellestad said everything in his 18page affidavit taken by GAP and cited by the House committee is accurate.

A USDA veterinarian had labeled the cow as a downer, but Ellestad said that after the vet made the notation in the paperwork, the animal stood up again, according to his statement to GAP.

Ellestad said tissue from the Holstein was sent for testing because Vern's had a contract with USDA that

healthy animals as a safe- from healthy animals, not because it was a downer, Ellestad said.

The department maintains that the animal was a downer, and says its testing program was effective in helping it find the second known case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy, or BSE, in North America. The first case turned up in Canada

Agriculture Department spokesman Steve Cohen said Tuesday that the infected Holstein was unable to walk at the plant, and department veterinarian at the plant tagged it as a downer. He said he did not know whether the plant had the separate contract for testing that Ellestad mentioned in his affidavit.

Cohen also said another cow that day initially was classified as a downer, but then was reclassified as ambulatory after it got up. He said he was not in a position to tell if the people who handled the Holstein had mistaken it for another.

Ellestad, asked if a case of mistaken identity was possible, said, "No."

Another witness, David

Louthan, recalls killing the animal. "That was a walking cow," he told the Washington Legislature's House and Senate agriculture committees at Feb. 3 hearings.

Randy Hull, the hauler, said in a statement in January that he loaded three cows from the Sunny Dene Dairy farm for delivery to the meat plant. "The animals each walked onto my trailer," he said.

On the Net:

Agriculture Department information: http://www.usda.gov/BSE/

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Prosecutor at center of controversy in terror case sues attorney general

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Justice Department has exaggerated its performance in the war on terrorism, interfered with a major terror prosecution and compromised a confidential informant, a federal prosecutor has alleged in an extraordinary lawsuit against Attorney General John Ashcroft.

The lawsuit by Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard Convertino is the latest twist in the Bush administration's first major post-Sept. 11 terrorism prosecution, a Detroit case jeopardduct.

ended.

In his lawsuit, Convertino says the Justice Department is retaliating against him because he has complained frequently and publicly about "the lack of support and cooperation, lack of effective assistance, lack of resources and intradepartmental infighting" in terrorism cases.

According to the suit, a senior official in the Justice Department's terrorism and violent crimes section informed Convertino that news reports concerning the department's anti-terror efforts were not accurate and that the "press gives us more credit than we deserve." The lawsuit alleges "gross mismanagement" in the terrorism and violent crimes section.

Convertino says he complained repeatedly to the Justice Department in Washington that it

He is seeking unspecified damages under the Privacy Act for harm to his reputation. Justice Department spokesman Mark

Corallo declined to comment. Convertino came under internal Justice Department investigation last fall after telling a

Senate committee of his concerns. "Whistleblowers put a lot on the line to protect the public," Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said Tuesday. "They deserve strong protections against intimidation, harassment, demotion or even dismissal for doing the right thing."

Regarding the Detroit case which Convertino handled, the government late last year turned over a jail inmate's letter to defense lawyers. In it, the inmate alleged that prosecution witness Youssef Hmimssa had lied.

A lawyer for Convertino has said he believes his client made the right decision in not disclosing the evidence because it wouldn't have affected the trial's outcome.

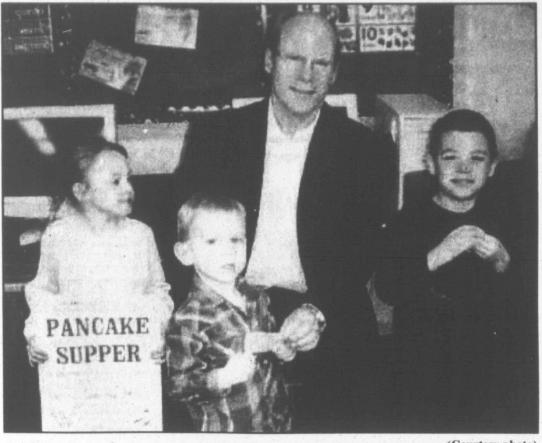
Months before the government turned over the letter, a jury found two defendants guilty of document fraud and conspiracy to provide material support for terrorism. One other was found guilty of document fraud but acquitted of terror charges. And the fourth was acquitted on

A defense attorney who faced Convertino in the Detroit case said one section of his lawsuit "seems completely unfounded."

Convertino alleges a lack of resources, but his resources "appeared to us to be completely unlimited," said James Gerometta, one of the court-appointed defense attorneys in the case.

The lawsuit includes excerpts of an e-mail from another prosecutor in the case that Convertino says "identified some of the gross mismanagement which was negatively impacting the ability of the United States to obtain convictions in a major terrorist case."

St. Matt's fund-raiser



(Courtesy photo)

Students at St. Matthew's Day School get ready for their 48th Annual Pancake Supper scheduled from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24. Ashlynn Organ holds the Pancake Supper poster while Bradley Hannon gets his tickets from Hal Cree, ticket chairman. Justin Beck has his tickets to sell, too. Tickets are \$5 for all-youcan-eat pancakes and bacon.

Appeals court upholds federal no-call registry

DENVER Consumers annoyed with telephone sales won a big victory when a federal appeals court upheld the popular do-not-call registry, but telemarketers refused to concede defeat, predicting the legal wrangling would go all the way to the Supreme Court.

The 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Tuesday dismissed claims the list violates free speech rights and is unfair to business, saying it is a legitimate safeguard against "the telemarketing danger abuse."

Telemarketing officials promised not to pester people on the list for now — but also vowed to pore over the appeals court ruling for holes that may help them in future appeals.

"We haven't accepted it at face value. We think it is best to move forward, but that does not mean we don't think there are problems. There are problems," said Louis Mastria, spokesman for the Direct Marketing Association.

The appeals court said the registry of more than 56 million phone numbers is a reasonable attempt by government to protect privacy.

"Just as a consumer can avoid door-to-door peddlers by placing a 'No Solicitation' sign in his or her front yard, the do-not-call registry lets consumers avoid unwanted sales pitches that invade the Supreme Court.

home via telephone," the court said. "We are convinced that the First Amendment does not prevent the government from giving consumers this option."

Telemarketing officials say they expect 2 million of their 6.5 million workers to lose their jobs within two years if the do-not-call rules stand.

Tim Searcy, executive director of the American Teleservices Association trade group, said he was disappointed but not surprised, predicting the case would ultimately have to be resolved by the



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ized over allegations of prosecutorial miscon-Convertino was the lead prosecutor on the case, in which the government did not provide defense attorneys a letter alleging that a prosecution witness lied until long after a trial had

"These concerns directly related to the ability of the United States to effectively utilize the criminal justice system as a component in the 'war on terrorism," says his lawsuit filed in federal court.

placed "perception" over "reality" to the serious detriment of the war on terror.

— While NASA's Spirit rover

was slowly picking its way

across the martian surface, its

twin rover was on the other

The Opportunity rover

spun one of its wheels to dig

into Mars, taking just minutes

to excavate a 4-inch-deep

trench that should open a win-

dow into the planet's past, sci-

entists on the NASA mission

Mars," rover planner Jeffrey

Biesiadecki told a news conference at NASA's Jet

Opportunity sat parked on the gentle slope of a small

crater while digging the 20-

inch-long trench, an unprece-

dented maneuver that took six

minutes of wheel spinning to

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surface, including clotted

chunks that could be seen pro-

truding from the wall of the

trench, said deputy main sci-

entist Ray Arvidson, of

The six-wheeled rover

Washington University.

The operation exposed

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"We dug a nice big hole on

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said Tuesday.

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Rover to spin its wheels, create trench PASADENA, Calif. (AP) tion of the trench site before point to past water activity at digging and then began a second set of observations once it completed the task. Full results from the before-andside of the planet spinning its after measurements were

> Scientists chose the dig site because earlier observations revealed it is rich in an ironmineral called hematite, which typically forms in water.

expected Thursday.

Measurements should reveal if the mineral is limited to the surface or is present throughout the soil, Arvidson said. The scientific observations could also turn up traces of other minerals that might http://marsrovers.jpl.nasa.gov

Opportunity and its twin. Spirit, are searching for geologic evidence that Mars was once a wetter place hospitable

Spirit, on the other side of Mars, continued its 1,150foot trek to an impact crater. As of Tuesday, Spirit had traveled 356 feet, overtaking the 337 feet covered by the far smaller Sojourner rover during 1997's Pathfinder mission, project manager Richard Cook said.

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Move to New School Is Tough for Teen to Take

DEAR ABBY; I am 13 years old and in the eighth grade. I just moved from one set of grandparents to my other grandma's house and had to change schools. At my old school, I had friends. At

this new school, I don't have anybody to hang out with. Every once in a while, someone talks to me. But every day I eat lunch alone.

Grandma works, so I have to go to school an hour early and stay an hour later than the other kids. I'm trying to stick it out for this school year, but next year I want to go back to my old school where I have friends and transportation.

I'm afraid my grandma will be heartbroken if I leave her. I love her and don't want to hurt her. If she wanted me to, I could still visit her every weekend like I used to. I don't know how to handle this. Please help me.

LONELY IN TEXAS

DEAR LONELY: You have my sympathy. The timing for your move could not have been worse. By eighth grade, cliques and friendships have been well-established, and trying to break in is difficult.

I hope you will be patient and give things in your new community a little more time. In the fall, everyone in your class will be starting high school. Very often the people who were close in grammar/middle school start forming new alliances at that time, and you will be able to find friends and fit in. You will be able to join clubs or go out for sports, if that interests you.

At the end of your freshman year, if your situation has not improved, you should speak to your grandmother about returning to your old community. But if you do go back, don't be surprised if things are not the way you remembered them. As circumstances change and time passes, people also change.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, daughter and I recently moved from the West Coast to a small town on the East Coast. My husband loves his new job and my daughter is adjusting well, but I am miserable. I have been commuting back and

forth. When I am on the West Coast, I feel I'm myself and all's right with the world. When I return home, I deflate.

Nothing I try makes the move bearable. If I'd truly known what living here would be like, I would never have moved.

Living on the West Coast would be better for me, but I have my husband and daughter to consider. How do I evaluate the trade-off between their well-being and my misery?
MISERABLE

ON THE EAST COAST

DEAR MISERABLE: I wish you had been more specific about when the move took place. Let me answer you this way: To what extent have you been trying to fit into the new community? Have you joined a church or synagogue? Are you volunteering in the community? Helping at your daughter's school? Have you made a sincere effort to make new friends?

If the answer to each of these questions is yes, then it's possible you are unable to make the transition and you and your husband should consider relocating back to the West Coast.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have been on the outs lately because she has a friend, "Dottie," whom I don't like. Dottie told my wife that she hates that we got married. She even tried to introduce her to other guys. Dottie has broken up a few marriages, and now she is trying to break up mine.

My wife lies to me about where she is when I call her cell phone and she's at Dottie's Should I tell her it's Dottie or

me? I need some advice. DOESN'T TRUST DOTTIE

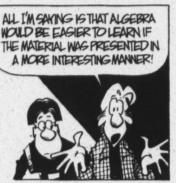
DEAR D.T.D.: If your wife is lying to you about her whereabouts, your marriage is in big trouble. It would be interesting to know what the basis is for her alliance with this troublemaker. You both could benefit from marriage counseling to clear the air and renew your commitment to each other. Until your wife is able to perceive what Dottie is doing for what it is, your marriage will continue to go downhill.

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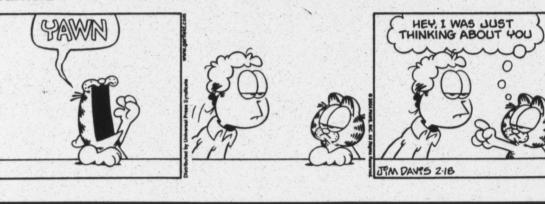
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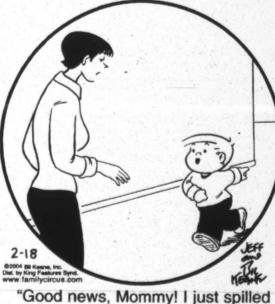
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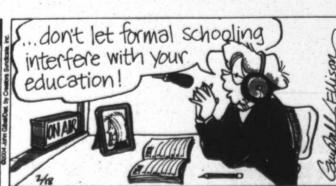


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BASKETBALL

PAMPA — There will be a Lady Harvester Basketball Booster Club meeting on Monday, Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the PHS cafeteria. All parents are encouraged to attend

Plans will be made for the banquet.

FOOTBALL

SEATTLE (AP) — The NCAA cited the University of Washington for lack of institutional control in the gambling flap that led to the firing of former football coach Rick Neuheisel.

While Neuheisel and other individuals apparently broke NCAA rules against gambling, the organization cited the university for failing to adequately educate its coaches and staff.

The finding is a first step toward what could be major sanctions for Washington. In cases where "lack of institutional control" is cited, the NCAA infractions committee typically imposes severe penalties.

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) -Flashbulbs popped. Cable news networks went live.

Start spreading the news: Alex Rodriguez is the new star in town.

"Wow! What a reception," he said Tuesday at a Yankee Stadium news conference. "I still feel like someone's going to pinch me and wake me up."

Rodriguez was introduced with Derek Jeter, Joe Torre and Reggie Jackson at his side. The New York manager even took a moment adjust Rodriguez's new Yankees cap to show more of his smiling face for the cameras.

A-Rod repeatedly deferred to Jeter, the Yankees' captain and shortstop, a stark contrast to Jackson, who arrived before the 1977 season and proclaimed he was the "straw that stirs the drink," a slap at Thurman Munson.

Rodriguez is seemingly happy to move to third from shortstop, the position he played in Seattle and Texas. The reigning American League MVP, born in Manhattan, wasn't about to stir up anything, especially on his first full day with the team.

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Pampa turns back Plainview in overtime

PLAINVIEW — Pampa's playoff hopes moved closer to reality Tuesday night with an overtime win over Plainview in the final game of the regular season.

Pampa seniors Jed Martin and Andy Rodgers each hit a pair of free key throws in the final seconds of the extra period to give the Harvesters a 63-59 victory.

second in District 3-4A with Plainview, Caprock and Dumas. All four teams have 7-5 records.

There will be a district meeting today to decide a playoff format to determine the No. 2 and No. 3

claimed the outright district title with 12-0 record.

Rodgers was a catalyst against Plainview with a game-high Rodgers

23 points, includ-Pampa is in a four-way tie for ing a three-point play when he was fouled on a fast break slam dunk in the third quarter. The 6-2 forward scored Pampa's first six points of the

> Martin hit a pair of three-point goals and backcourt teammate Clayton Hall had a strong defensive

Brittin East and Jarett Kotara came off the bench to make an impact for the Harvesters. East finished with 10 points and led the team with 8 rebounds.

The 6-7 Kotara blocked two shots in the second quarter and scored a basket.

Pampa twins Collin Bowers and Chance Bowers turned in a workmanlike effort inside. Collin collected 11 points and 7 rebounds while Chance had 4 points and 4 rebounds before fouling out late in the third quarter.

Dave Smith had 17 points to lead point goals: Garcia 2, Smith 1.

the Bulldogs in scoring.

There were 10 lead changes and the score was deadlocked six times.

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Pampa - Andy Rodgers 23, Collin Bowers 11, Brittin East 10, Jed Martin 10, Chance Bowers 4, Clayton Hall 3, Jarett Kotara 2; 3point goals: Martin 2, East 1.

Plainview - Dave Smith 17, Danny Garcia 13, Todd Jeffress 10, Jamar Wall 7, Jeremy Alexander 4, John Mull 4, Keenan Uddley 4; 3-

Quality Sales pulls off Optimist upset

PAMPA — An upset 23-17 win by Quality Sales Trail Blazers knocked the Culligan Conditioning Spurs out of first place last week in the third-fourth grade division **Optimist** of Basketball.

Quality Sales overcame 13 points by Culligan's Landon Powell to earn the win.

Sales with 9 points.

In other third-fourth grade action, the Celanese Lakers claimed a 20-11 vic- Jimnenez. tory over the Cabot Swoosh. Brandon Cox was high-point man for Celanese with 7 points.

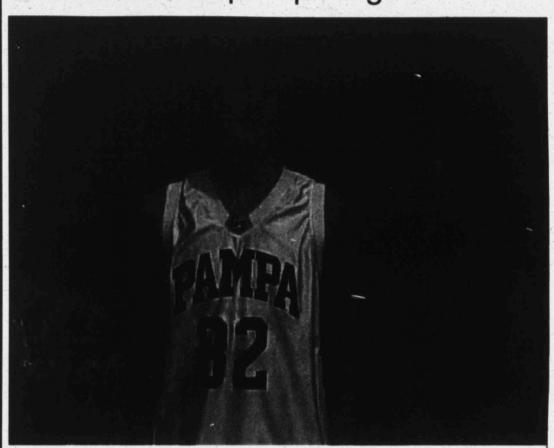
Drew Facio contributed 4 points for Cabot.

Warner-Horton Supply Cavaliers continued unbeaten with a 28-14 victory over the Celanese Mavericks in fifth-sixth division play. Luke Watson with 10 points led the Warner-Horton efforts, while Zach Shaw and Jonathan Polasek had 4 each for Celanese.

The Holmes Gift Shoppe Reid Miller led Quality & Sports Center Sixers jumped on the Pampa Office Supply Heat 40-17 behind 16 points from Ryan

> Bradley O'Laughlin and Keelan Patton made 3 points each for Pampa Office Supply.

Harvester Hoops Spot-light



Jarett Kotara is a sophomore on the Pampa Harvesters basketball team. His parents are Ross and Tami Allen, above. Jarett also likes to fish and play golf.

Ninth-ranked Lady Raiders hold off Missouri

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — Erin Grant took a play designed for teammate Chesley Dabbs and made it her own.

Grant hit a driving shot with 11 seconds left to stop a Missouri comeback and help secure No. 9 Texas Tech's 73-68 victory over the Tigers on Tuesday night.

Texas Tech (22-4, 8-4 Big 12) led by 14 points with less than 12 minutes left, but was barely holding on at the end, leading 69-68 when coach Marsha Sharp called a timeout with 24 seconds remain-

The first option was a pass to Dabbs, who led the Lady Raiders with 14 points, on a backdoor cut. But she was covered. So Grant, who had been dribbling near the top of the key, followed Dabbs to the basket from the right side and dropped in her shot for a 71-68 lead.

"If Erin ... couldn't throw it, then we were going to chase (Dabbs) with the ball and hope Erin could get to the rim and they both did a great job," Sharp said. "It worked and they were ready to go the other direction the moment it went in."

Tech then got a break when Missouri's MyEsha Perkins was called for an illegal screen with 3 seconds left. Missouri (13-10, 4-8) tried to foul immediately, but nothing was called until just a tenth of a second remained. Alesha Robertson made both free throws to finish it off.

comes down to that," said a disgusted Evan Unrau, who led Missouri with 17 points and 10 rebounds. "You're playing hard. The last 5 minutes are intense and everyone's working so hard. At least give us a chance to do something."

Missouri did what it needed earlier by making defensive stops and clawing back when Tech appeared to be safely ahead. After taking a 68-59 lead on Casey Jackson's layup with 5:12 to p'y, Tech did not make another basket until Grant's shot at the end.

Unrau's two free throws with 1:24 left capped a 9-1 run that cut the lead to one.

"Good Lord, the game The Tigers had a chance to take the lead after Grant threw away an inbounds pass, but Perkins missed a jumper and Robertson rebounded for Tech, setting up Grant's improvised play.

It was Tech's fourth straight game decided by six points or fewer, three of them have been victories.

"It will help us in the long run," Grant said. "We're having to go through all these tough games right now, so I think we'll be prepared for them later on."

Dabbs, averaging just 5.4 points, gave Tech a big lift by going 7-for-12 from the field, mostly pull-up jumpers, and making four steals.

"She was hitting jumpers back and forth," Unrau said. "We didn't really have an answer for that."

Robertson scored 13 points, LaToya Davis had 12 and Grant finished with eight points, seven assists and seven rebounds. Stretch James added 15 points for Missouri.

Tech center Cisti Greenwalt injured her right ankle when she went down with 4:11 left in the first half and did not return. Sharp said she wasn't sure how seriously Greenwalt was hurt.

Texas Tech broke a tie at 35 by scoring the final six points of the first half. The Lady Raiders then started the second half with an 8-2 run to go up 49-37, and Dabbs' jumper made it 57-43 with 12:11 remaining.

Coming full circle, Maddux returns to Cubs

Welcome home, Greg Maddux:

You'll find Wrigley Field much as you left it, the wind blowing in and the ivy covering the walls.

The Chicago Cubs are still playing most of their home games in the afternoons, and the bleachers remain the hottest ticket in town. As for Cubs fans, they're passionate and loyal, and boy, are they thrilled to have you back.

Maddux brought his career full circle Tuesday night when he decided to sign with the

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Cubs, the team that gave him his start in the majors. No official announcement was made, but a source close to the negotiations who spoke on condition of anonymity told The Associated Press that Maddux agreed to a \$24 million deal that could go as long as three years.

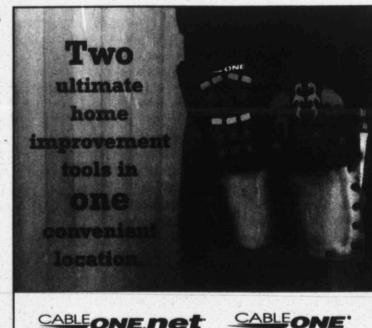
The third year of the deal will be guaranteed if Maddux reaches certain criteria, number of innings in 2005.

including pitching a preset The deal is pending a physical, but the 37-year-old Maddux could be at camp as

early as Wednesday, when

Cubs pitchers and catchers report. Maddux, who spent the last 11 years with the Atlanta Braves, was the last major free agent to agree to a

Chicago general manager Jim Hendry wasn't available for comment late Tuesday, but the addition of Maddux is a huge boost for the Cubs, giving them one of the best rotations in the game. Maddux will join Kerry Wood, Mark Prior, Matt Clement and Carlos Zambrano — a foursome that took the Cubs within five outs of the World Series a year ago.



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Feds: Trainer admitted giving steroids to baseball players

The federal agent who spent a late summer afternoon tracking a Chevy Tahoe with license plate "W8 GURU" followed it first to a nutritional supplements lab, and then to a baseball park.

Newly released federal documents claim the driver of that vehicle was Barry Bonds' personal trainer, Greg Anderson, one of four men charged last week in a steroid-distribution ring that allegedly supplied dozens of professional athletes with banned substances.

The documents released Tuesday say a federal agent followed Anderson on Sept. 11, 2002, as he made a quick visit to the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative the lab allegedly at the center of the steroid ring.

"Anderson returned to his

drive directly, without stopping, to Pacific Bell Park, a professional baseball stadium," the documents say. "Anderson was followed until he entered the players' parking lot area of the professional baseball stadium, past a gate and guarded entrance."

The San Francisco Giants played a home game at Pac Bell Park against the Los Angeles Dodgers on Sept. 11, 2002. Bonds went 2-for-4 with an RBI double, but the Giants lost 7-3.

According to the documents released Tuesday, Anderson told federal agents he gave steroids to several professional baseball players. It was unclear whether Anderson provided specific names to the federal agents.

No players were identified

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) vehicle and proceeded to in the documents released at a news conference at the U.S. attorney's office in San Francisco, and the only time a player's name was used in the 24 pages of documents it was blacked out.

> But at least two newspapers around the country were e-mailed versions of the documents, and that player's name mistakenly was not blacked out.

> The New York Times and Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reported that Gary Sheffield was listed as having sent a package to BALCO on Feb. 17, 2003.

> Sheffield, who signed with the New York Yankees as a free agent in December after two seasons with the Atlanta Braves, was one of several baseball players who testified before the grand jury in the

Golden Gloves boxers



Youth Survival Club of Pampa boxers leave Thursday for Lubbock to participate in the Golden Gloves Tournament. The tournament lasts through Saturday and will be held in Lubbock's Municipal Coliseum. "These kids all went the extra mile to be in this event," said club founder J.R. Moreno.

Pampa sweeps Palo Duro

PAMPA - Pampa came away with a couple of victories in District 3-4A soccer matches with Palo Duro Tuesday after-

Vanessa Resendiz scored three second-half goals as Pampa shut out Palo Duro 4-0 in the girls match. The Lady Harvesters gained a 1-0 lead in the first half on a goal by Jenee Norris.

Ericka Silva, Kelsie Wyatt, Heather Balay and Ashley Pitman were each credited with an assist.

The Lady Harvesters are 1-1 in distict and 2-7-1 for the sea-

In the boys match, Justin Jouett scored the winning goal in a 4-3 Pampa victory.

Goals by Nick Robbins and Sammy Silva gave Pampa a 2-1 lead at the half. Jason Brown and Jouett added the second-half

The Harvesters are off to a 2-0 start in district.

Pampa freshman Ericka Silva was credited with an assist against Palo Duro in a District 3-4A match Tuesday.

Fort Elliott girls win playoff opener

BORGER — Fort Elliott rolled past Texline 72-24 Tuesday night in a girls Class 1A bi-district victory.

Tamara Hefley and Sarah Zybach led the Lady Cougars with 14 points apiece. Andrea and Katie Hathaway

Amanda Boggs was high scorer for Texline with 9 points

Fort Elliott prepared for Donaldson followed with 11 the boys playoffs with a prac-

tice game against Sunray yes-

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scorer with 21 points.

Junior Newman had 20

Mays no match for Grizzlies

best teams in the NBA are learning that it's no fun coming in to play the Memphis Grizzlies.

The Dallas Mavericks dropped their second game at The Pyramid this season as James Posey scored 19 points and Stromile Swift added 18 to lead the Grizzlies to a 109-92 win Tuesday night.

Memphis won its 20th home game and six of its last seven — to tie the franchise record for home victories set last season. The Grizzlies moved nine games over .500 for the first time in franchise history and gave Hubie Brown his 400th win as an NBA coach.

Among the teams to lose on the road to Memphis are San Antonio, Houston, New Jersey and Milwaukee. Like Dallas, both Sacramento the Los Angeles Lakers have lost twice this season in Memphis.

"This is one of the best teams in the league; so we can't realiy hang our heads," Dallas guard Steve Nash said. "We've got to realize we didn't play well enough to win. You've got to play pretty darn well to win here."

The Grizzlies ran away from Dallas in the final period, outscoring the Mavericks 28-18. Memphis has now won 21 of 22 games when it has led after three quarters.

"We expect to win now. We have that little extra sense of urgency, and we need to play with that energy," Posey said. "We know if we are playing our style of basketball, we can beat anybody."

Pau Gasol scored 17 points, while reserve Earl Watson added 12, and Shane

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Some of the Memphis. Battier grabbed nine rebounds and Williams had eight assists.

Memphis' bench outscored the Mavericks' reserves, 53-29.

"When we have five or six guys in double figures, we play our best," Brown said. "They got a lot of rebounds, but we got a lot of passes that found open guys. We had 25 assists in the game, and that was huge."

Dirk Nowitzki led the Mavericks with 24 points, while Michael Finley, who helped a third-quarter spurt for Dallas, finished with 15. Antawn Jamison and Josh Howard had 10 points each, and Howard pulled down 11 rebounds.

Dallas showed some rust from the All-Star break, shooting 41 percent, but hitting only two of 11 3-pointers. They committed 15 turnovers and at times could get little flow in their offense. Coach Don Nelson said it was as bad as he has seen some of his players play in recent weeks.

"They played with a lot more energy than us," Nash said. "This team is tough to be on the road as it is. Then we came out and played flat."

Memphis players were hoping for a less-than-entusiastic effort from Dallas, figuring that was the best way to get off to a good start after the break.

"It's definitely a game we thought we had to take advantage of," Watson said. "We're at home, and it's after the break. A lot of teams after the break aren't really as sharp as they should be. We needed to take advantage of this game because this is a great team, and we have to play the best Battier and Jason Williams each had 11 for we can play to get a chance to win."

Johnson, Buteaux post strong efforts in Idaho

Sophomore Brandon Buteaux (San Antonio, Texas) broke a school record in the heptathlon and junior Curtis Johnson (Pampa, Texas) posted a season best in the 200 meters to highlight action for the UTSA men's track and field team at the Holiday Inn Invitational/Boise State Multis at Jacksons Track/Idaho Sports Center Saturday.

Buteaux posted a personalbest and NCAA provisionalqualifying point total of 5,265 to finish fourth in the heptathlon on Friday and Saturday

Boise State Multis. He was the second-highest collegiate finisher behind Idaho's Jereme Richardson (5,284). Paul Terek World's Greatest AthleteDeca won with 5,756 Buteaux's seven-event tally

included marks of 7.31 in the

60m, 21-10 in the long jump, 37-10 in the shot put, 6-7 in the high jump, 7.9h in the 60m hurdles, 13-7 in the pole vault and 2:52.03 in the 800m.

Johnson raced to a season-

best 21.90 clocking to finish fourth in the 200m. He was the third-fastest col-

legian behind Cal State Northridge's Hung Nguyen (21.47) and Boise State's Antoine Echols (21.63).

Senior all-American Justin Youngblood (Goliad, Texas) was well on his way to a qualifying mark in the same heptathlon competition dropped out after a

no-height in the pole vault He will aim for an NCAA qualat the Southland ifier Conference Indoor Championships next Friday-Saturday, Feb. 20-21, in Houston, where he will be one of the favorites to win the league crown.

Sunray won by a score of

Martin was Sunray's high

points and Justen Bryant 11 to lead the Cougars.

Foreman coming out of retirement, King says

years after walking away from the ring, George Foreman might put on his boxing gloves for one more comeback.

Foreman agreed to a tentative \$20 million deal to return for a fight celebrating the 30th anniversary of his epic bout with Muhammad Ali, Don King said Tuesday.

"George said he wants to come back to fight again, so what I'm doing is calling him out," King said. "He has the power, boy, he's rewriting history

King said he talked with the 55-year-old Foreman last week about the prospects of a fight.

MIAMI (AP) — Seven 'I'm willing to fight one spent his time since as a TV years later, at 45, Foreman more time."

> King said no opponent, date or location have been set, although Foreman said last week he'd like any fight to be in his hometown of Houston.

He announced his interest in a comeback last week in Texas, but said he wasn't getting into the ring until he gets his weight down to 225 pounds. Foreman didn't have a timetable for his

Foreman has said he's interested in fighting again to show young people that there's no reason to fear getting older.

He hasn't fought since 1997, when he lost his "We've got a verbal heavyweight title to deal," King said. "He said, Shannon Briggs. He has

pitchman and boxing commentator.

Foreman did not immediately return calls seeking comment Tuesday. Foreman would have to

get himself into shape, King said, but he didn't expect the former heavyweight champion to have a problem finding a state that would license him to fight.

Foreman first won the heavyweight title in 1973 by knocking out Joe Frazier. He lost the title the next year to Ali in a bout fought in Zaire known as the "Rumble in Jungle." That fight was the first professional championship bout King promoted.

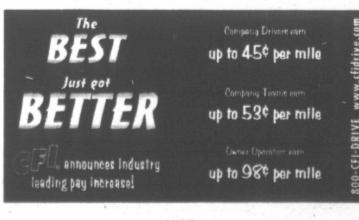
In 1987, after a 10-year retirement, Foreman made his first comeback. Seven

marked the 20th anniversary of the Ali fight by knocking out Michael Moorer to become the oldest person to win the heavyweight title. He lost the title in the 1997 match against Briggs, leaving the ring with a 76-5 record with 68 knockouts.

Foreman has been the spokesman for a number of companies during the past several years, and pitched countertop grills bearing his name. He has also been a ringside commentator for

King said he plans to match Foreman against one of his fighters, but wasn't specific about which boxer.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Express your strong sense of direction, especially among groups and in meetings. You will find that others are full of ideas. Listen to news from a distance or make a call. Read between the lines or listen to what is not said. Tonight: Enjoy your pals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Stay on top of your work. You might not be as direct as you can be with a boss. A partner twists and turns to avoid a clear statement. Stay focused on your work. You might want to refocus on your goals. Tonight: You're in charge. Don't forget that fact. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

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your news. Read between the lines.

Stay in tune with your work and adjust

to someone's changing point of view.

Hop on the computer or do some

research. Keep your thoughts to your-

self right now. Tonight: Rent a movie.

**** Deal with a partner head-on

rather than let him or her interfere with

your work and long-term plans. You

might have a major disagreement, but

you can deal with it. Detach and refuse

to be triggered. Boundaries remain

*** Allow others more self-

expression. You don't always have to

be king or queen of every situation. As

a result, many others will reveal much

more of themselves. Allow those doors

to open. Your creativity and happy

ways make a difference. Tonight: Say

*** Work seems to flow, especial-

ly when you deal with others. You

might be surprised by how much you

are appreciated in the present circum-

stances. You are coming from a more

solid point of view, unlike the majority

right now. Tonight: Work late if neces-

**** Your lightness and flirty

ways make a difference in what is hap-

pening in a relationship. Perhaps you

might opt to be more nurturing and car-

ing. Adapt your approach and words to

*** Stay intact and talk about what

you want. Listen to a family member

who presents a different view.

Consider what might be happening

each situation. Tonight: Play away.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

important. Tonight: Have that talk.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

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your mind and express yourself in a

new way -- through manifesting your

caring in your actions. You'll want to

listen to your inner voice; still, careful-

ly examine what you are hearing.

*** You express your joy and hap-

biness, and others respond. Look

toward a major indulgence or purchase

in the next few weeks. Think carefully

about what you want, and be sure this

is the right way to go about it. Tonight:

*** The Sun moves into your sign,

energizing you. Take charge and han-

dle a superior in such a way that you

can communicate and work together.

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▲ Several members of Pampa High School's "Pride of Pampa" Band were recently chosen for Upperclassman All-Region Band during a recent regional competition. Band members also participated in a clinic and concert at Amarillo Civic Center. Conducting the symphonic band was Arturo Valdez of Fort Worth. Above: Cristina Elliott, Rebecca Middlebrook and Whitney Parker, first row; Shelley Smith and Cody Hukill, second row; Ashley Shaw and Dennis Shuck, third row; and Zach Edens and Josh Tabor, fourth row.

Several members of Pampa High School's "Pride of Pampa" Band recently advanced to All-Area Band competition at Permian High School in Odessa following regional contest. Above: All-Area Band members from PHS are Zach Edens, Ashley Shaw and Josh Tabor, first row; Tyler Jonas and Dennis Shuck, second row; Rebecca Middlebrook, Shelley Smith and Cody Hukill, third row; and Adam Hagerman, Cristina Elliott and Whitney Parker, fourth row. Smith, Hagerman and Edens were selected to perform with the All-Region Orchestra and the Amarillo Youth Symphony Orchestra.



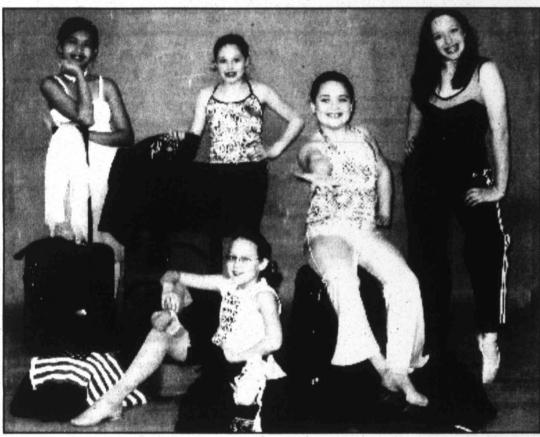
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Several members of Pampa High School's "Pride of Pampa" Band were recently chosen for Freshman All-Region Band during a recent regional competition. Band members also participated in a clinic and concert at Amarillo Civic Center. The Freshman All-Region Band was conducted by Charles Johnson of Phoenix, Ariz., a former band director at PHS. Above: Geoff Bowley, standing; Alyssa Kelsey and Stephanie Preston, sitting/top row; Andrea Burkhalter and Garrett Jonas, third row; Jose Bedolla and Adam Hagerman, second row; and Kevin Schepp and Colby Stevens, first row.



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Dance competition



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Students from Madeline Graves Dance & Gymnastics Center in Pampa ready for travel to New York for competition are Stephanie Ronquillo, Jenna Munsell, Jacklyn Cargill, Danielle Zuniga and Caylee Steward. There were 14 students from the center who qualified to compete in the National finals in New York this July. Students are coached by Madeline Graves and Shauna Munsell.

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